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Report: Economic, racial divide widens

■ Urban policy group issues report to coincide with the 30th anniversary of the release of the Kerner Commission report, which concluded the nation was being divided into two societies.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Thirty years ago, at the height of America's civil rights movement, a report concluded that the nation was being divided into two societies: "one black, one white — separate and unequal." On the anniversary of that Kerner Commission report, a private urban-policy group says that's exactly what has happened.

Released this weekend, the report called "The Millennium Breach" says the economic and racial divide in the United States not only has materialized, it's getting wider.

"While leaders and pundits talk of full employment, inner city unemployment is at crisis levels," said the Milton S. Eisenhower Foundation. "The rich are getting richer, the poor are getting poorer, and minorities are suffering disproportionately."

The foundation's report was issued to coincide with Monday's anniversary of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders' release of the Kerner Commission report, named after its chairman, then-Illinois Gov. Otto Kerner.

"People need to become aware that things are getting worse again," said the new report's co-author, Fred Harris, a former Democratic senator from Oklahoma and member of the Kerner Commission. "They need to see their own self-interest in this — that

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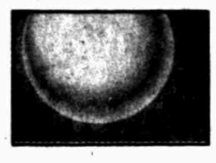
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Picking up the pieces

An unidentified resident of Ponderosa RV Park in Kissimmee, Fla., sits among the ruins of his mobile home Friday. Residents were allowed to return to the park to begin the task of picking up the pieces left behind by one in a series of tornadoes that ripped through several communities in central Florida earlier this week. Related stories page 11A

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Campaign 2000

DES MOINES, Iowa — The next Republican presidential nominee should offer a vision "that people can feel in their lives," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich. In the state where the 2000 presidential campaign begins, Gingrich conceded he may well consider trying to fill that bill. The Georgia Republican generated a lot of speculation during a barnstorming swing through Iowa, where precinct caucuses open the nominating season for a parade of potential candidates that's already heavy.

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Audits in South

WASHINGTON — If you're poor and live in the South, you might want to check that federal income tax return very carefully before sending it off to the Internal Revenue Service. A study by the General Accounting Office found that 47 percent of randomly audited taxpayers over the past three years live in 11 Southern states. And more than 85 percent of those audited had incomes below $25,000.

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One winner

One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The ticket, worth an estimated $12 million, was sold in Dallas. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: **12, 28, 29, 38, 46, 50.** Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $4 million, if sales continue as expected.

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From Russia with Love

Dave Wedel and his wife, Liz, sit with their 7-year-old son Todd, and their 3-year-old daughter, Gretchen, who they recently adopted from Russia.

Story by Alice Ashmore | Photo by Tim Fischer

More Midland families turning to international adoption

Alex looks like your typical 6-year-old American boy, towheaded, with lively green eyes and an outgoing personality. But if you listen closely when he talks, a slight Russian accent comes through. Alex has lived in Midland for one year this month.

Alex's parents are like an increasing number of Permian Basin parents who are turning to the former Soviet Union to adopt children.

Why the move toward foreign adoption? Often, parents adopting foreign children would not fall within the typical guidelines for a domestic adoption.

Melissa Hirsch, an Odessa attorney, adopted her daughter from Latvia last year. "I have a 2-year-old," said Ms. Hirsch. "I brought her home last April."

Ms. Hirsch said she chose to adopt a child in Eastern Europe

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Capt. Danielle DuBose watches training on the obstacle course at Fort Jackson, an Army training facility in Columbia, S.C. The Pentagon has been struggling to respond to criticism that mixing men and women has prompted untoward behavior.
AP Photo

Recruits feel men, women should train together; many drill sergeants think segregation has merit

By Susanne Schafer
Associated Press

FORT JACKSON, S.C. — As their buddies hoot and holler encouragement, male and female Army recruits at the Army's largest training base grab arms, legs or midsections to push, prod and lift one another over a 12-foot wooden wall.

"Hoo-aahh!" the group bellows, as the men and women of one unit finally get over the wall. The exercise is designed to teach trainees trust and confidence in one another, but the young recruits also must be taught where they should — or shouldn't — grab when helping others through the course's many obstacles.

Since reports of rape and sexual harassment broke more than a year ago at an Army training base in Aberdeen, Md., the Pentagon has been struggling to respond to criticism its training regimen has been too lax and that mixing men and women in its 1.4 million all-volunteer force has prompted untoward behavior.

An advisory panel headed by former Kansas Sen. Nancy Kassebaum Baker has called for separating men and women in the first six weeks of basic

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West Texas CAT offers MISD education initiatives to offset abatement

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

Midland Independent School District school board members on Tuesday probably will give final consideration to a school property tax abatement for a local business.

West Texas CAT officials are offering the district a package of educational opportunities in return for a $290,000 abatement over five years. The company has said it wants to stay in Midland and build its headquarters out in the county.

But there are roadblocks to the abatement.

The state's "Robin Hood" school finance laws do not recognize local abated property values and would effectively cut MISD's budget by $290,000 over the five years of the abatement.

The state funding issue has made MISD board members reluctant to grant the abatement. In addition, some board members point to the recent defeat of business economic development Proposition One as a mandate that voters don't want government giving business incentives.

Johnny Warren, chairman of WT CAT, said that accusations of "corporate welfare" by some opponents are unfair and unrealistic. Warren said Midlanders must realize that other West Texas cities will draw other high-paying businesses like his away from Midland.

His company primarily deals and services Caterpillar construction equipment in 87 West Texas counties. He's done business here for 20 years.

"If they want to retain and bring in new businesses, they're going to have to find a way to bring in businesses like ours," Warren said.

He doesn't see the downfall of Proposition One as a mandate against government giving incentives for businesses. It's a minority that is opposed to economic development, he said.

"I think we had some people in Midland — who vote against everything — who voted against it," he said. "Some of them didn't understand the issue. We (WT CAT) are certainly a diversification from the oil business. We would like to think we will be here a long time."

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Births of cloned calves prompt Dutch to ban technique

POLSBROEK, Netherlands (AP) — The Dutch government is outlawing a technique that produced two cloned calves, announcing the ban just as scientists were showing off the newborn animals.

The identical female calves, Holly and Belle, lay languidly in their sheds as photographers jostled for their first glimpse Friday, the day the Agriculture Ministry introduced the ban. The calves were born Feb. 17, apparently healthy, on a farm in the northern Netherlands.

The newborns, cream-colored with black patches, were produced in a joint experiment by Pharming, the country's leading biotechnology company, and researchers from the University of Luik in Belgium.

Although U.S. scientists had already successfully cloned calves using the same nuclear transfer technique, Holly and Belle were front-page news here amid growing debate over cloning.

Pharming said its calf-cloning was different from that done elsewhere because the embryos were frozen before and after the cloning to allow more time for study.

But before Pharming could fully savor its success, the Dutch Agriculture Ministry decided to ban the nuclear transfer technique.

"The method has not been proved necessary. There is no scientific purpose," said ministry spokesman Paul van der Brug.

The ban won't deter Pharming, which said it will continue its research through joint ventures with companies in the United States and Belgium.

"The knowledge we've gained doesn't go away," said Frank Pieper, Pharming's vice-president of research and technology.

To create Holly and Belle, scientists first harvested fertilized and unfertilized eggs from cows at a slaughterhouse.

They then took a fertilized egg and injected its nucleus into an unfertilized egg. The researchers applied an electric shock to the newly fertilized egg, which caused it to make multiple copies of itself.

Two copied eggs, which contained identical genetic material to the fertilized egg, were then implanted into surrogate mothers for Holly and Belle, who were delivered by Caesarean section.

They have been moved to a laboratory farm in the western Dutch village of Polsbroek, where they will be raised.

Pharming produces therapeutic human proteins that are extracted from the milk of genetically engineered animals. The company says cloning will be a faster way to produce genetically modified livestock than its current method of injecting embryos.

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Bombs kill eight in Karachi

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — Two bombs exploded 20 minutes apart Saturday in a densely populated apartment complex in Karachi, killing at least eight people and wounding dozens, authorities and witnesses said.

One of the bombs was planted in a hardware shop and the other in a music store on the ground floor of the Al-Asif apartment complex where hundreds of people live, police said.

Dozens of people rushed to the site and dug through the rubble with their bare hands, trying to reach screaming victims, witnesses said.

"It was a massive explosion," said Mohammed Farid, the owner of a nearby shop. "We didn't know what happened. ... We saw the blood and then everyone started digging."

"It was terrible. People were screaming. There was blood everywhere," said Mohammed Bilal, a first aid attendant.

No one claimed responsibility for the explosions in the eastern part of this violence-plagued port city.

The apartment complex is inhabited by ethnic Pathans, who two weeks ago clashed with Karachi's majority Mohajirs.

Police said the bombs contained at least 14 ounces of explosives.

"The bombs were very powerful," said Moinuddin Ahmed, a bomb disposal expert.

Ethnic and religiously motivated killings in Pakistan have claimed more than 500 lives in the past year. Karachi has been the scene of some of the worst violence in recent months, with rival ethnic groups waging gun battles on the street.

Earlier this month, clashes between Pathans and Mohajirs left two dead and at least eight wounded.

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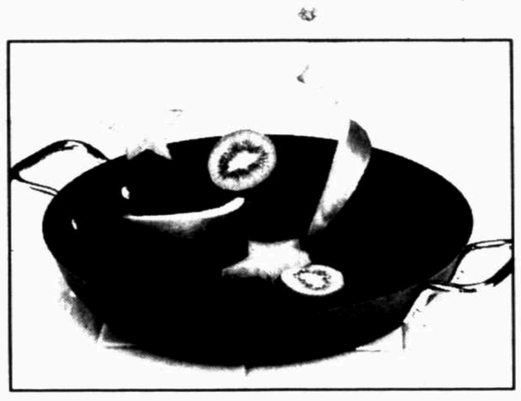
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Russian Communist Party in identity crisis

By Mitchell Landsberg
Associated Press

MOSCOW — As it nears its 100th birthday, the Russian Communist Party is torn by an identity crisis that threatens to splinter its already weakened ranks.

The party whose pronouncements once carried the force of law seems uncertain about what role it wants to play in the new Russia: Loyal opposition or radical rabble-rouser? Partner of the government or enemy?

And with their ranks aging, the communists face tough decisions about how to appeal to a new generation that distrusts the Marxist past and is more interested in paychecks than politics.

In recent weeks, the Communist Party's leadership in the State Duma, the lower house of parliament, has made overtures to Boris Yeltsin about joining him in a coalition government — overtures that the president has rejected.

The proposals have caused cracks in the communists' vaunted party discipline. Some members are questioning whether the leadership is selling out. And some observers predict the cracks could lead the party to split in two.

"I think there is a real danger of such a split," said Nikolai Petrov, a political analyst with the Carnegie Endowment for Peace.

Perhaps it shouldn't seem surprising that the party of Lenin and Stalin is having a rough time adjusting to life after the collapse of the Soviet Union and its one-party rule.

In the West, the Soviet collapse was widely seen as the death of communism and proof that Soviet-style state socialism didn't work. In Russia, the party was banned for a year after its hard-liners attempted a coup against Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in 1991.

Perhaps the real surprise is that the Communist Party is as much of a force in Russia as it is today. It remains the biggest party in the Duma and still draws strong allegiance in many parts of the country, particularly in the southern "Red Belt" and among the elderly, who have fared worst under the new market economy.

Communist leader Gennady Zyuganov gave Yeltsin a scare in the 1996 presidential election and is thought to be positioning himself now for a run in the next election, in 2000.

But what is a communist these days? There is a hard core — both within the party and in radical splinter groups — that is openly nostalgic for the Soviet Union, totalitarian warts and all, and still regards the United States as an archenemy.

Zyuganov treads a more moderate course, although he is notoriously difficult to pin down. His brand of communism is based more on Russian nationalism than Marxism, and he yearns for Russia to somehow reclaim its status as a great world power.

Zyuganov insists he supports some market reforms and has support from some of Russia's new capitalists. But asked recently if he could better be described as a social democrat, he demurred. "No, I'm a communist," he insisted.

Others, some within his own party, see him as something else: a pragmatist, willing to do whatever is needed to gain power.

"He has a twofold pattern of behavior," noted Yevgeny Volk of the Heritage Foundation.



AP Photo
Russian Communist Party leader Gennady Zyuganov, center, flanked by his bodyguards and fellow communists, carries flowers to lay at the Lenin Tomb marking the anniversary of Lenin's death, in Red Square in Moscow, Jan. 21.

When it suits him, Zyuganov attacks Yeltsin's government. But when it comes to parliamentary voting, he generally is willing to compromise with Yeltsin and Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin.

In a brief interview with The Associated Press, Zyuganov was asked how much he was willing to compromise his communist principles to claim a share of power.

"I will conduct dialogue with anybody in order to improve the situation, and I think that now the conditions are favorable for a normal government so we can choose a proper course," he said.

"We lack organizing qualities," he continued. "Had we had echelons of miners in Moscow from Kuzbass, from Vorkuta, and from Rostov, the government would have resigned long ago."

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Western tobacco companies find a friendly market

MOSCOW (AP) — At a disco party in a covered stadium, thousands of young people sway to booming music. Once in a while, somebody breaks from the neon-lit crowd to take free cigarettes from the smiling women who stroll the corridor outside.

Sponsored by Camel cigarettes, the party is one of the many promotions by Western tobacco companies that are aggressively marketing their products in one of the world's most smoker-friendly nations.

With fewer people lighting up in the United States and tobacco companies on the defensive, cigarette manufacturers are expanding in Russia to compensate for lost sales at home.

They have received a warm welcome in Russia, where at least 50 percent of the people smoke, consumers are hungry for most things Western and tobacco taxes are low.

And unlike the United States and other countries that limit or ban cigarette advertising, there are few effective controls on marketing tobacco products in Russia.

Almost anything goes. In the hinterlands, where entertainment is scarce, Western tobacco companies offer young Russians free admission to parties if they buy a pack of cigarettes.

Billboards all over Russia feature pictures of skyscrapers and white sandy beaches and slogans like "Total Freedom" or "Rendezvous with America." They aren't advertising foreign travel — but American cigarette brands like Camel, Winston and Marlboro.

At shows and presentations, young women with trays of cigarettes walk around the audience offering free smokes.

"It's a very important market for us ... because smoking has a long-standing tradition in Russia," said Axel Gietz, spokesman for the main European office of R.J. Reynolds, the maker of Camel cigarettes.

No one under age 18 is admitted to Camel-sponsored discos, he said.

"Every time an underage person is caught smoking, we are blamed, and it is used as an (excuse) for even stricter laws on marketing," Gietz said in a telephone interview from Geneva, Switzerland. "So it certainly does not help our business to encourage minors to smoke."

Western-made cigarettes are far milder than Russian ones, which use harsh tobacco. As a result, foreign firms have done well in Russia, with the Americans leading the pack.

R.J. Reynolds, one of the biggest foreign players in the Russian market, has seen its sales double each year for the past three years, reaching $351 million in 1997, Gietz said.

Russia has relatively strict laws on the books to limit tobacco advertising — but no functioning legal or monitoring system to enforce them. Television tobacco ads were banned in 1995. But direct marketing and billboard advertising have increased to make up for the loss.

"In all civilized countries, they passed this stage a long time ago and have long since established" limits on tobacco advertising, said Tatyana Kamardina, senior researcher at the government's Institute for Preventive Medicine in Moscow.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



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High 57
Low 25

Monday
Sunny
High 64
Low 28

Tuesday
Partly cloudy
High 69
Low 34

Today's forecast calls for fair skies with the high between 55 and 60 with winds from the northwest at 5 to 15 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight's forecast calls for clear skies with a low near 25.

Monday's forecast calls for sunny skies with a high between 60 and 65.

After an overnight low of 28, Saturday's high was 51, compared to the record high for that date of 87 set in 1940. The record low was 14 set in 1962.

Yesterday's precipitation

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Rainfall	.00 in.
Total for month	.00 in.
Total for year	.74 in.

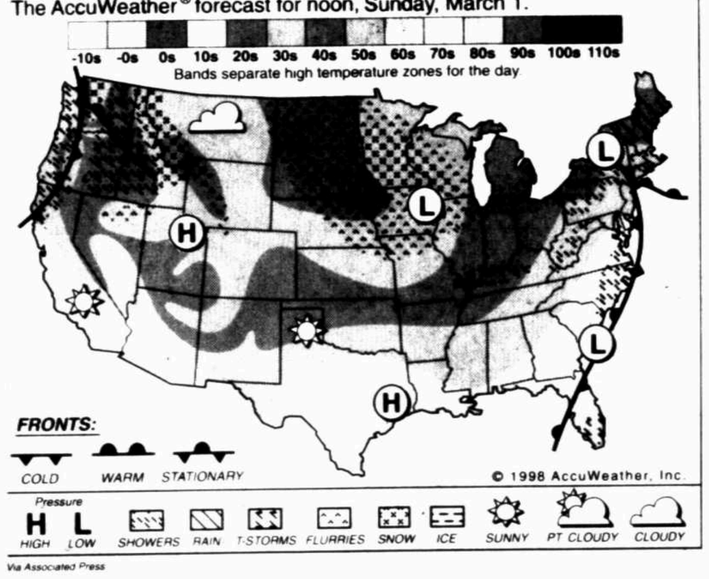
Yesterday's temperatures

High	51
low	28
Normal high	66
Normal low	36

Sunrise: 7:16 a.m. **Sunset: 6:46 p.m.**

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Sunday, March 1.



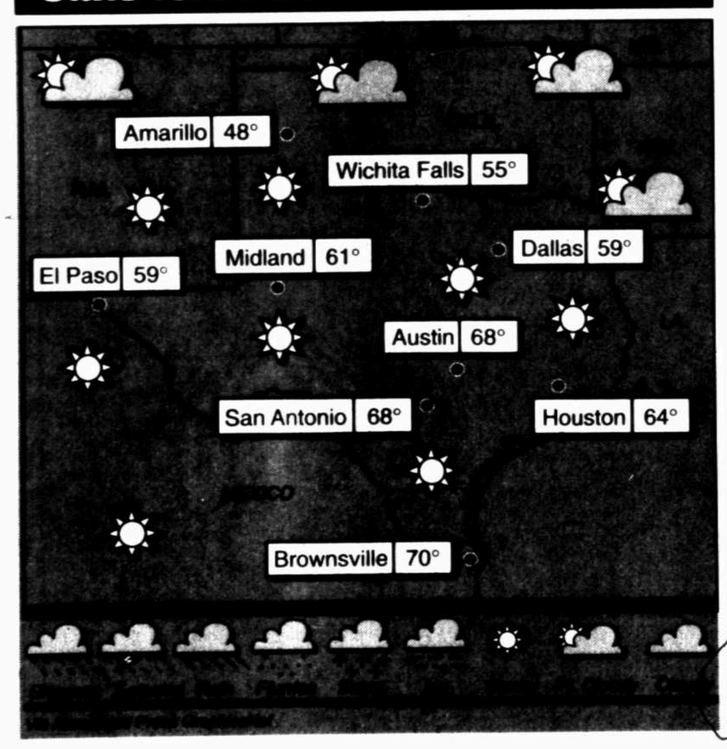
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:33 p.m. EST

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Baltimore	58	42	cdy	
Boston	45	33	rn	
Buffalo	46	32	.08	rn
Chicago	50	32	rn	
Cincinnati	61	36	cdy	
Cleveland	52	35	.03	cdy
Columbia S.C.	76	54	.27	clr
Columbus, Ohio	56	44	cdy	
Denver	37	14	clr	
Detroit	55	32	cdy	
Grand Rapids	54	29	rn	
Great Falls	34	8	cdy	
Honolulu	82	69	clr	
Indianapolis	57	34	cdy	
Jackson, Miss.	67	39	cdy	
Jacksonville	72	66	1.43	cdy
Kansas City	36	32	sn	
Las Vegas	54	37	clr	
Little Rock	60	39	.09	cdy
Los Angeles	75	53	clr	
Memphis	60	45	cdy	
Miami Beach	84	72	cdy	
Milwaukee	47	31	rn	
Mpls-St Paul	32	29	sn	
Nashville	65	44	.02	cdy
New Orleans	70	46	clr	
New York City	48	43	cdy	
Oklahoma City	51	34	cdy	
Philadelphia	57	48	cdy	
Phoenix	62	44	clr	
Pittsburgh	47	40	.40	rn
Sacramento	61	46	cdy	
St Louis	49	39	cdy	
San Diego	68	52	clr	
San Francisco	60	50	cdy	
Santa Fe	37	11	clr	
Seattle	50	39	.12	rn
Shreveport	62	46	clr	
Tucson	59	36	clr	
Tulsa	45	34	cdy	
Washington, D.C.	62	47	cdy	
Wichita	44	32	cdy	

State forecast



Pick 3 Texas

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

4-1-4

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery:

12-28-29-38-46-50

MIXED: Commanders call for more female drill instructors

(From 1A)

training — as the Marine Corps does — and housing men and women in separate buildings during their first two segments of training.

Another report, issued by a panel set up to advise the Pentagon issues involving women, says just the opposite. It argued the current system of "mixed gender" training should continue and even be expanded.

Defense Secretary William Cohen has asked the military services to present their views on the matter by mid-March, after which he will make a decision.

Visits to two of the military's largest training bases reveal a mix of views — trainees think mixing men and women should be the norm; many drill sergeants argue sexual segregation has some merit; while training commanders say segregation wouldn't solve harassment problems, nor prepare trainees for a military that depends heavily on the women, who make up 14 percent of the active duty force.

"We train together, eat together, work together, because we'll go to war together," said Marcus Alfinez, 19, of Brooklyn N.Y., one of the "Black Lions" who'd just helped his male and female counterparts over the wall.

"Confidence, trust, teamwork, that's what it builds," said Jennifer Rhodes, 23, of Louisville, Ky.

Queried about the potential for sexual misconduct among recruits, Rhodes says: "We're too tired," pointing to their rigorous 4:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. schedule.

"No, we're not too tired. We're just not interested. That's not what we're here for," scolds Crystal Dedera, 19, of Independence, Ore.

Halfway across the country at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, trainees echo their Army counterparts.

"You learn to deal with real issues. In the work force, you won't be separated, and that's the reality of it. It's a realistic approach," said Airman Michael Stothers of New York City. The 27-year-old is headed for advanced training as a firefighter.

Airman Natasha Hebert of New Orleans said she's never encountered any incidents of sexual harassment, whether by drill sergeants or her male peers.

"I look at the men in my flight (training unit of about 58 airmen) as my brothers. It really helps" to have them around, said Hebert, an 18-year-old headed for training with military police.

Gen. Lloyd Newton, who oversees Air Force training and education, said total separation would "really complicate" matters for a service that has trained men and women together for half its 50-year history.

Newton, a four-star general and the first black member of the Thunderbirds flight demonstration team, said the idea just doesn't make sense to him in today's America.

"History shows us that there was no such thing as separate but equal education. The same is true when it comes to training," he said.

But the drill sergeants who shadow recruits at Fort Jackson from 4:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. say separating the sexes could make the tough weeks of basic training a little easier.

At both the Army and Air Force training bases, female trainees sleep on the top floors of a multi-level barracks building. Guards are posted at the doors to warn of fires, but also to prevent anyone from entering who isn't supposed to be there.

Separate quarters can lead to confusion in communication for mixed-gender squads, and problems for drill sergeants who must repeat messages again and again to units that have training session in their quarters.

Drill Sgt. Carolyn Wilson, 28, of Daytona Beach, Fla., says separating men and women might not be such a bad idea. Her own training was segregated, she says, "and I felt it worked out perfectly."

"Six weeks out of their lives, it wouldn't hurt them," adds Drill Sgt. Keith Craig, 33, of Oldham County, Ky., who works closely with Sgt. Wilson.

"The downside is, public opinion thinks it would set women back 100 years. But the upside — we'd move forward more quickly, and less time would be spent having to deal with gender-related problems, or time consumed with improper associations," added Craig, an 11-year Army veteran.

Both Air Force and Army commanders said they believed adding to the number of female drill sergeants would go a long way toward helping the system accommodate mixed training units.

"I can spot it in a nanosecond, if some woman is trying to be manipulative," said Capt. Danielle DuBose, 40, of Greensboro, N.C., "I see things the men just don't see. ... They need to double the number of female drill sergeants."

First Sgt. Charles Gipson, a 21-year veteran who oversees drill sergeants, says commanders need to "think of the big picture."

"If you split men and women up here, and then they go out into the units without having learned to work with males and females, how are they going to react then?" the Chicago, Ill., native said.

He contended that segregation would push potential problems onto operational units, which have more pressing problems to deal with.

Washington should just "leave it alone," Gipson said.

CHILD: Cost of international adoption comparable to U.S.

(From 1A)

because of the limited choices available to her in America. "I am single parent," she said. "Being a single parent in the U.S., I was limited to adopting a child with special needs."

Alex's parents, Duncan and Marla Chisholm, also did not fit domestic criteria. They are a couple in their mid-40s with two older biological children.

"We looked into international adoption because we knew our age and having biological children would preclude us from domestic adoption," Mrs. Chisholm said. The Chisholms' biological children are now 17 and 20 years old. "We were wanting to parent again, and felt that an older child would be more age appropriate for our family," she said.

Midlanders Dave and Liz Wedel have just returned from Kaliningrad, Russia, with their 3-year-old daughter, Gretchen Diana. The Wedels were looking for a sister for their 7-year-old biological son, Todd. They are thrilled with their diminutive brunette daughter, who sports a pixie haircut and a shy smile.

"If you want to adopt a healthy infant in the United States it is basically a business of who is willing to pay the most," Wedel said. He said in the United States it can take between five and seven years to find a child.

The Wedels had also heard horror stories of domestic adoptions that fell through. "We had a friend who went through two or three adoption attempts," Mrs. Wedel said. "They had been in the delivery room and even cut the (umbilical) cord, and then the adoption fell through — I was not willing to do that," she said.

Wedel estimated the cost of Gretchen's adoption at "about $25,000 — comparable to the cost of an American adoption," he said.

The Wedels became interested in foreign adoption after reading a newspaper article. "A lot of it is talking to other people who have done it," Wedel said. "We read about someone who had adopted a child from Vietnam and Liz called them."

Ms. Hirsch told the Reporter-Telegram she became aware of foreign adoption from another local attorney who had "a very positive experience" adopting a child from Latvia.

"This city is amazing in the number of people who have adopted from Russia," Mrs. Wedel said. "They are so supportive." She said one of the pre-adoption interview questions is "will the community accept the child." The Wedels believed that answer to be an unqualified "yes."

There are issues that are unique to foreign adoption, Mrs. Chisholm said. "We networked with people in other cities and on the Internet."

She said that FRUA — Families for Russian and Ukrainian Adoption — an organization she found on the Internet, was particularly helpful to them.

The Wedels also utilized the Internet and FRUA to learn more about Russian adoption. "I am just amazed at the number of people who have helped us who we have never met," Mrs. Wedel said.

No formal organization exists locally for families with children by foreign adoption, but that may change in the future. "Some of us have talked about it," Mrs. Chisholm said. "There are a number of families — I hear of more and more every day.

"I would like to start a West Texas chapter of FRUA," Mrs. Chisholm said. The nearest FRUA chapters are in Dallas and Houston, she said.

Prospective parents in an adoption from Russia are screened as thoroughly as they would be for a domestic adoption. The paperwork is handled either by an adoption agency, an attorney or some type of adoption facilitator. A home study, an FBI background check, a criminal background check and a check for any history of child abuse are included in the process, Mrs. Wedel said.

Ms. Hirsch said her adoption was facilitated through a law office in Washington state. The Wedels worked with a facilitator out of Indiana to help them navigate the foreign adoption process.

Mrs. Wedel said the adoption process had taken "nines months to a year of really working at it. There are a lot of government agencies that you have to deal with." A visa must also be issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service for the child to enter the United States.

Ms. Hirsch said the adoption process took her 18 to 20 months to complete. "The reason I picked Latvia is that they do what they say they are going to do."

Ms. Hirsch said she was in Latvia for two days before taking her daughter to Poland for processing through the United States Embassy. She described her experience with foreign adoption as very positive.

The Wedels said they were apprehensive about a transcontinental flight with a young girl who had never been in a car, on an airplane or even outside of the orphanage organization where she lived.

They learned Russian phrases like "don't be afraid" and "we are going home" in order to be able to reassure their little girl. Along with picture books and toys they took along a Russian Barbie doll that Todd had picked out for his new little sister.

Ms. Hirsch's journey was not a easy one. "That was the trip from hell — 24 hours of it." Her new daughter was suffering from an undiagnosed ear infection. "Once I got her back and got her to a doctor, she was fine."

"It took us 36 hours to get home," Mrs. Chisholm said. "The worst leg of the journey was from Dallas to Midland. We were really tired." She said the flight attendants working the Moscow to New York flights are accustomed to seeing Russian adoptees and their new parents. "There is one on nearly every flight," Mrs. Chisholm said.

She said about 4,000 Russian children were adopted by Americans last year, the majority of them older children instead of infants.

At first, the adjustment can be hard for older children. "It was probably difficult for Alex — there was nothing familiar to him here," Mrs. Chisholm said. The boy was 5 1/2 years old when he arrived in Texas. "Alex went through a period where I think he was very homesick; it took some adjusting" after being raised in an institutional environment with other children his entire life.

She said that Alex, who is in kindergarten "is very well-acclimated now."

The young children seem to be thriving in their West Texas environs. Ms. Hirsch said her daughter, Santa Claire, is flourishing in West Texas. The little girl's English is excellent. "Her vocabulary is great — she is ahead of most 2 year olds."

"The biggest thing is getting them to eat American food like hamburgers and pizzas," said Mrs. Wedel, noting that Russian children eat a lot of a grain product called kasha. "We tried some; it was pretty vile," she said, laughing.

Mrs. Chisholm said Alex looks like a different child after a year in Midland. "One thing that was really joyous to us was to see the physical transformation from better nutrition."

She said that although Alex was not malnourished, his Russian diet was lacking. The child began to fill out, his hair thickened and, surprisingly, went from light brown to blonde. "He just glows now," his mother said.

Mrs. Chisholm reflected on the Russian adoption process and the opportunity is has given her family. "It is a real positive experience. I consider it a real privilege to be able to raise Alex. He is fine little boy and he has been through a lot."

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FRUA — Families for Russian and Ukrainian Adoption can be reached on the Internet at http://www.FRUA.org

MISD: Board members could decide Tuesday

(From 1A)

Warren has worked closely with Midland College, the Midland Chamber of Commerce and MISD to put together a deal. He said his company will offer a substantial amount of money and services to create a technology program or center for MISD students.

He declined to give a dollar amount or details, but added that other businesses in the area likely will come forward to contribute as well.

Most of the board members were out of town over the weekend. Glen Bufler and Mike Dobey would not comment on the issue, but Dobey did say that the board faces a tough vote at Tuesday's meeting.

"It's definitely a tough call," Dobey said. "We don't want to create a floodgate where everyone wants a tax abatement. That doesn't mean the person who's entitled to that abatement shouldn't ask for it."

Rick Bartholomee, vice president of finance for the company, said his company's offers of job training, scholarships and technology center initiatives will offset MISD's temporary abated values.

Bartholomee said combined corporate and personal property values will net MISD a $11 million tax base increase by the year 2003 and as much as $745,000 in new taxes by the same year.

That's compared to $11 million lost in a tax base if the firm moves away, he said. He wonders if the state will make up all of the lost tax money if that happens.

"They need companies like West Texas CAT in this community to help support them, but not only that — but to have places for students to go to when they graduate from their schools," he said.

He emphasizes that it is not a bail out for a corporation, but rather gives them a reason to stay in and belong to the community.

"If they don't want us to stay, in Ector County they are willing to have us," he said.

Warren said it is up to the board to decide what happens next.

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The school board will meet 4 p.m. at the administration building at 615 W. Missouri Ave.

DIVIDE: Jobless rate for young men in inner cities tops 30 percent

(From 1A)

it doesn't make sense to have these underutilized regions in the country and these underutilized people whose lives are being wasted."

Not all black leaders were impressed with the findings. Robert S. Woodson Sr., a black conservative who heads the National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise, said Friday the report rehashes earlier Kerner Commission updates and offers recommendations too general to be useful.

He accused the authors of being "stuck in the '60s" and seeing the world only through a "prism of race."

The report says an estimated $56 billion would be needed to carry out its recommendations: Expand funding for successful programs like Head Start, reduce investment for ineffective programs and cut corporate welfare and military spending.

"Polls show that typical Americans want to do more for the truly disadvantaged and the inner city but think that the major obstacle to doing more is 'lack of knowledge,'" the report said. "But we already know what doesn't work, what does work and how to replicate what does work."

What does work?

The report includes Head Start, after-school youth centers, urban school reform and school-to-work programs as things that work. Other successes, the report says, are programs that focus on job training, placement and retention, inner city economic development and crime and drug prevention.

What doesn't work?

The report scoffs at supply-side economics — the idea that tax breaks for the rich and corporations will stimulate investments and benefits that will trickle down to the middle class and the poor. The report denounces enterprise zones, the federal job training program for out-of-school youth and prison construction. It also cites the ineffectiveness of boot camps, which the Clinton administration has supported. And it says volunteer work — something the administration promoted at a 1997 summit in Philadelphia — can't be expected to single-handedly rebuild poor neighborhoods and individuals.

The report cites mountains of statistics as evidence: While the national jobless rate is below 5 percent, unemployment rates for young men in places like south-central Los Angeles have topped 30 percent; the child poverty rate in America is 4 times the average of western European countries; the incarceration rate of black men in the United States is 4 times higher than the same rate in South Africa under apartheid; and 43 percent of minority children attend urban schools, usually where more than half the students are poor and more than two-thirds fail to reach even basic levels of national tests.

"Racism and discrimination still exist. But they aren't the biggest problems facing blacks in America today," Woodson said. "The real issue is the growing economic rift within the black community.

"If we keep banging the drum of racism, we will never find a way to close this economic rift. After all, if racism were the culprit, why haven't all blacks been affected in the same way?"

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Bumps in the night are undoing of Israeli spy agency's Swiss caper

By Thomas Brunner
Associated Press

LIEBEFELD, Switzerland — Israel's Mossad secret service works quietly, but not quietly enough for this sleepy suburb of the Swiss capital of Bern.

When strange noises were heard from the basement of 27 Wabersacker Strasse at 2 a.m. — a time when even taking showers and flushing toilets is frowned upon — it was only natural that the police were called.

The cloak-and-dagger operation subsequently revealed became another public black eye for the Mossad — and a threat to Swiss-Israeli relations.

When two police officers arrived at the gray, six-story apartment block, they found three men in the basement but no sign of a break-in. The men apparently had opened the glass entrance door. The cylinder lock would pose no problem for a pro.

Subsequent investigation revealed that the men were about to install high-tech bugging equipment in the shoebox-sized telephone switching system. One of the officers went back outside and found a woman wailing over a man doubled-up and whimpering on the ground.

A Swiss newspaper reported his apparent heart attack was fake.

A Swiss woman in her 50s who lives in one of the upper floors of the apartment building woke up after police arrived and looked out her window.

"I saw one man lying on the ground and shouting, and a woman and a policeman next to him. Then came the ambulance. At the time, I felt sorry for him, but then I found out that the man apparently was faking."

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— Swiss woman

The man and the woman — reportedly Mossad agents like the three men inside — were taken to a hospital, but the other men were held for interrogation. Only one of them, the one with the listening devices, was arrested.

Police released the rest, saying they had no grounds to hold them. The eavesdropping equipment, described only as the most up-to-date possible, was sent to Swiss experts for study.

The Swiss woman who spoke with The Associated Press said that several days before the Feb. 19 incident, she saw two men photographing the building. "They were taking pictures in the most awful weather, and I couldn't understand why," she said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Who was the target?

Israeli media have reported that it was someone who is a member of the Shiite Muslim guerrilla group Hezbollah in Lebanon with ties to Iranian intelligence.

Swiss television said the agents were watching a supporter of Hamas, an Islamic Palestinian group that has carried out a series of suicide bombings in Israel.

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Iraq says it can't take full advantage of oil-for-food program

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq cannot take full advantage of the increase in the U.N.-approved oil-for-food program because its petroleum industry is in disrepair, Iraq's oil minister said Saturday.

Lt. Gen. Amer Mohammed Rashid also told a news conference that if the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries calls an emergency meeting to deal with plummeting oil prices, Iraq "most probably" will attend.

Rashid said that the chief U.N. weapons inspector, Richard Butler, would be welcome on his next visit to Baghdad, expected early in March, to discuss the agreement worked out by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan on inspections of presidential sites.

Still, he railed at the United States, which had threatened a military strike against Iraq over the inspections issue.

He accused the Americans of "a hidden political agenda" and added: "They want to undermine the sovereignty of Iraq. ... They don't want an independent leadership in the area."

The U.N. Security Council approved Feb. 20 an increase to the oil-for-food program that will allow Iraq to sell $5.2 billion of oil every six months to buy food, medicine and other necessities for its 22 million people. The current program allows sales of $2 billion every six months.

But Rashid said that the country would be able to export just $4 billion every six months — and this only after spare parts and special chemicals are provided for its ailing industry.

"We cannot export a quantity more than what amounts to $4 billion in the six months because of the production limitations ... and because of the deterioration of oil prices in the market," Rashid said.

'We have not had any revenues to compensate for the attrition of our oil fields.'
— Lt. Gen. Amer Mohammed Rashid, Iraq's oil minister

He put Iraq's current crude oil production capacity at 2.3 million barrels a day and said that with the investment of "a few hundred million dollars," this could be increased to 2.65 million in about three months. This, he said, would provide about 650,000 barrels daily for domestic consumption, leaving the balance of 2 million barrels a day for export.

"We have not had any revenues to compensate for the attrition of our oil fields," Rashid complained.

Denis Halliday, the U.N. humanitarian coordinator in Iraq, said that a U.N. team would be in Baghdad soon to assess the oil industry's need for spare parts.

Rashid estimated that it would take about a year to raise Iraq's production to its pre-Persian Gulf War level of 3.5 million barrels a day.

The agreement on weapons inspections signed Monday by Annan and Iraq's deputy prime minister, Tariq Aziz, would create a special committee of U.N. diplomats and inspectors to look at eight presidential compounds that had been declared off limits.

The inspectors must certify that Iraq has eliminated its chemical, biological and nuclear weapons as well as long-range missiles before punishing trade sanctions imposed after the 1990 invasion of Kuwait can be lifted. The oil-for-food program is an exception to the sanctions.

Rashid, who has led negotiations on weapons inspections, said that he expected Butler's U.N. Special Commission, which oversees the inspections, to act more professionally under the new Annan-Aziz accord.

"UNSCOM has to behave according to U.N. standards ... according to the mandate of the U.N. Security Council," Rashid said. "Outside this, we will have a problem."

Iraq had charged in the past that the teams had too many American and British members and that they used UNSCOM as a cover for spying. Iraq also objected to inspection teams showing up at sites it deemed sensitive for security or sovereignty reasons, such as the palaces.



Bodyguard says he remembers more about crash

LONDON (AP) — The bodyguard who survived the accident that killed Princess Diana said Saturday that he remembers more about the incident and will meet again with the French judge heading the investigation.

Trevor Rees-Jones said he recalled more details after a series of sessions with a psychiatrist. But he did not disclose any new information in a statement issued through his lawyers.

Diana, her friend Dodi Fayed and the driver were killed in the crash in Paris. Rees-Jones is employed by Harrods, which is owned by Fayed's father.

"I remember very little of the final journey on August 31. In my interviews with the psychiatrist, I have remembered a little more," Jones' statement said.

The statement followed news that the Daily Mirror newspaper plans to publish an interview with Rees-Jones on Monday.

The bodyguard's statement said he had not been paid for the interview or for any other contact with the media.

He said he was concerned about reports that he did not conduct himself professionally on the night of the crash and was not properly trained.

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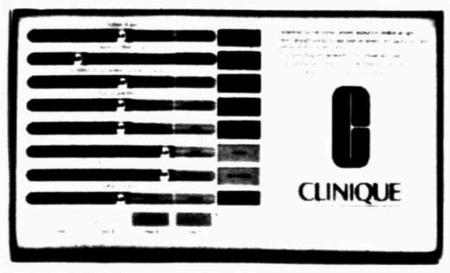
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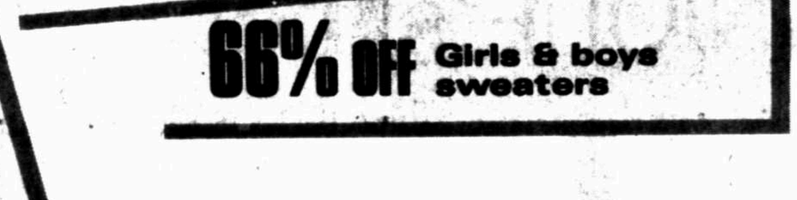
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In German-style primary, Kohl's would-be rival plays a home game

HANOVER, Germany (AP) — Often laughed off as a backwater, the lowlands of northern Germany are being taken seriously this year as a critical election battleground.

Popular, left-leaning governor Gerhard Schroeder is running for re-election Sunday, and he wants to make the state vote a springboard for his national ambitions: If he wins, Schroeder would become his party's challenger to long-serving Chancellor Helmut Kohl in September.

Armed with a winning smile and a reputation as a man who gets things done, Schroeder says a convincing victory Sunday would persuade him to claim the Social Democratic Party's nomination for the national race.

The party plans to announce its candidate on Monday, leading to speculation that Schroeder is it. And its confidence wouldn't seem misplaced: The 53-year-old governor has a nationwide popularity that seems to have survived even a messy breakup with his third wife last year, which he quickly followed up with new nuptials.

Polls indicate Schroeder has the best chance of beating Kohl on Sept. 27 and returning the left to power after 16 years of conservative rule.

A fan of President Clinton and British leader Tony Blair, Schroeder presents a moderate-left challenge to years of conservative rule — much as with Clinton in 1992 and Blair last year. He wants to reach out to middle-class voters to avenge four straight Social Democratic defeats by Kohl.

Perhaps more than anything, Germans looking for a change could propel Schroeder to the top.

"There's just no one else to vote for," said Hanover restaurant manager Andrea Mante, 35.

Aside from his telegenic charm, Schroeder's calling card is his effort to woo not only Germany's powerful labor unions but also make friends with business.

Record unemployment is this year's main election issue. And the Lower Saxony governor's recipe of saving jobs with state aid while promoting flexible working hours, deregulation and innovation has served him well in a state with many jobs in heavy industry and at Volkswagen, Europe's biggest automaker.

Hardly a week passes without Schroeder showing up at a local steel mill or a candy factory to mix with bosses and workers.

"I'm not sure about his specific ideas, but he is a constant presence," said Werner Buchholz, a 51-year-old machinist strolling through the pedestrian mall on a chilly afternoon in the state capital, Hanover.

Kohl, too, has campaigned heavily in Lower Saxony in recent weeks to support Christian Democratic Union gubernatorial candidate Christian Wulff. Even if Wulff doesn't win, a strong showing could block Schroeder's push to the national stage.

Among Schroeder's other assets with voters are his rise from humble working-class origins, though nowadays he sports cigars and designer suits.

U.S. commander stresses gravity of instability

SINGAPORE (AP) — The United States has put a high priority on preventing Indonesia from sliding further into instability, the commander of U.S. forces in the Pacific said Saturday.

"The potential for instability has been high on our list for a while," Adm. Joseph W. Prueher said in an interview with The Associated Press.

The commander-in-chief of the U.S. Pacific Command, on a three-country tour of Southeast Asia, said Indonesia's economic crisis has caught "the attention of us all."

He pointed to a steady stream of high-level U.S. visitors who have visited the region recently, including Commerce Secretary William Daley and Defense Secretary William Cohen.

Former Vice President Walter Mondale arrives in Jakarta on Monday to try to persuade Indonesian President Suharto to keep commitments he made to obtain a $40 billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund.

Prueher predicted a "time of turbulence" in the world's fourth-most populous country and stressed the importance of U.S. Involvement.

"It is being worked on the economic front, the political front, and the military front to try to help Indonesia get a firm grip on their situation," he said. "It's the primary discussion topic everywhere we go."

"We are staying in steady communication with" the Indonesian military, Prueher added. The Indonesian military plays a central role in ensuring domestic stability.

The sprawling archipelago has seen its currency, the rupiah, lose more than 70 percent of its value since Southeast Asia's currency woes began last summer.

Runs on staple foods, bank and business closures, rising unemployment, and sporadic rioting have sent jitters through world markets.

Suharto, walking a fine line between angry crowds at home and tough IMF demands, is running unopposed in elections that open Sunday.

Though growth has slowed across much of the region, the Clinton administration has singled out Indonesia for special attention.

"What we must try to do is help the Indonesians avert a crisis in every way we can, and we're trying to do that without being too invasive," Prueher said.

The attention to Indonesia comes amid a restructuring of U.S. joint military activities with various Asian nations because of the economic crisis.

Prueher said the United States is trying "to work with the leaderships here to adjust the size, and the shape and the timing of our activities with the militaries so that it is more accommodating to a restricted budget on their part."

Still, he added, "U.S. interest in the Asia Pacific region, and especially in Southeast Asia now, remains extremely high."

The admiral's tour started in Thailand. In Singapore, Prueher met Singapore leaders and visited the Asian Aerospace show. He was leaving for the Philippines on Sunday.

Army's rapid deployment impossible 10 years ago

KUWAIT (AP) — At 8 a.m. on Feb. 16, Col. William Brandenburg got a phone call at Fort Stewart, Ga., ordering the 3,100 front-line combat troops he commands to start packing.

Two days later, the first soldiers arrived in Kuwait City and within a week the last soldiers were deployed in the desert near the Iraqi border.

"Ten years ago, we couldn't even come close to doing this," the 46-year-old colonel from Elloree, S.C., said with satisfaction.

Since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, when it took months to assemble a fighting force because tanks and other heavy equipment had to be shipped to the region, the Army has spent a lot of time and money on rapid deployment.

Ships at sea and depots in key countries like Kuwait now store heavy armor, missile systems, and other equipment that 5,000 soldiers can put to immediate use in a crisis.

According to Brandenburg, the latest troop build-up in the Gulf showed that the Army's planning paid off — and that it can "project a considerable amount of force very quickly."

When Pvt. Shawn Sbancara, 18, of Pocatello, Idaho, and other soldiers from the 3rd Infantry Division's 1st Brigade received their orders, they swung into a hectic, well-practiced deployment routine at Fort Stewart.

After weeks on standby as the crisis with Iraq over U.N. weapons inspections escalated, the soldiers packed duffel bags and tossed them on pallets. Some stacked boxes of food on trucks and covered them with plastic. All the gear was loaded into aircraft for the flight to Kuwait City.

The heavy equipment the soldiers would use — including 116 M1A2 Abrams tanks and 58 Bradley Fighting Vehicles — already was waiting on the ground at Camp Doha, nine miles west of the Kuwaiti capital.

Four hours after arriving here Monday on his first overseas trip, Sbancara was at Camp Doha loading weapons and gear on the M1A2 tank he would be driving.

Admitting to being "just a little bit nervous," he said: "It's a reassuring feeling to know we've got good equipment here."

Shortly afterward, Sbancara drove the tank to a nearby marshalling yard where it was put on a transporter to save wear and tear on the ride to the Udairi Range, the Kuwaiti military's vast desert training ground 25 miles from the Iraqi border. The next day, he was training in the desert, along the route the Iraqis used to invade Kuwait on Aug. 2, 1990.

"Rapid deployment plays an important piece in our mission right now — and what it was even a week ago — which is deterrence," Brandenburg said.

"You cannot deter if you are not here. And you need to get here quick. And by getting here quick, I think it underscores that, plus the assurance it gives the Kuwaitis," he said.

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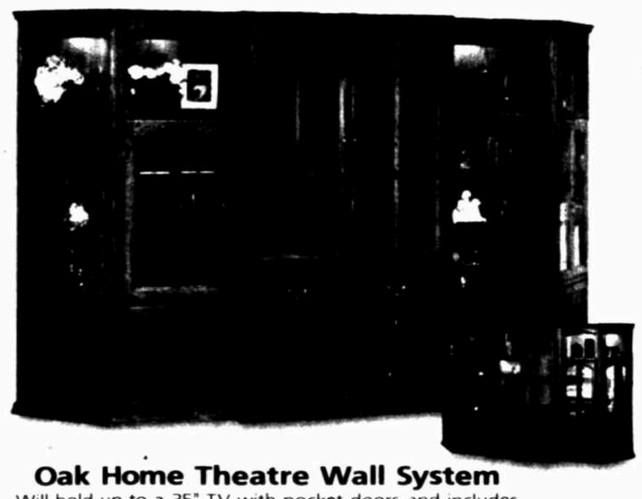
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Renowned character actor J.T. Walsh dead at 54

SAN DIEGO (AP) — J.T. Walsh, a skilled character actor who appeared in such films as "A Few Good Men" and "Sling Blade," died of a heart attack while on vacation. He was 54.

Walsh, known for playing cowardly villains, died Friday at Grossmont Hospital after falling ill at a San Diego-area resort, publicist Cynthia Snyder said.

"The paramedics came and weren't able to revive him," she said.

Walsh appeared in nearly 60 films and became known for playing ethically challenged men, such as Jack Nicholson's suicidal lieutenant colonel in 1992's "A Few Good Men" and Sgt. Major Dickerson in 1987's "Good Morning, Vietnam."

In 1996, he portrayed mental patient Charles Bushman in Billy Bob Thornton's acclaimed "Sling Blade," and most recently he appeared in "Breakdown," playing bad guy Red Barr opposite Kurt Russell.

Walsh recently completed work on "Pleasantville" with Jeff Daniels and Joan Allen, and "The Negotiator" with Samuel L. Jackson.

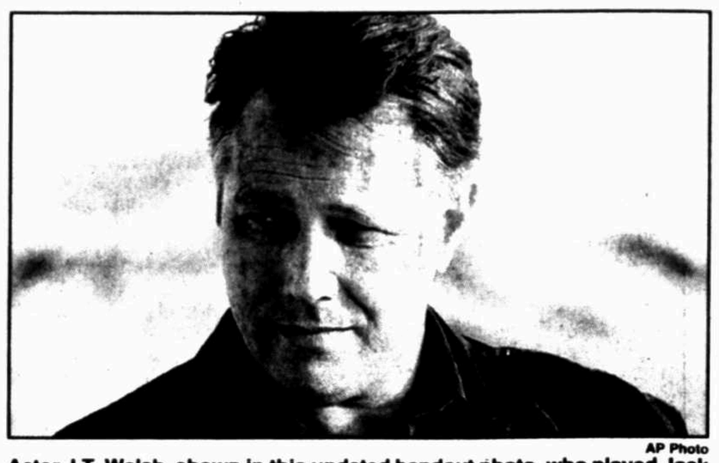
Walsh's film credits also include "House of Games," "The Grifters," "Backdraft," "The Client," and "Executive Decision."

As a child, the San Francisco-born Walsh was a student at a Jesuit boarding school in Ireland. He graduated from the University of Rhode Island with a bachelor's degree in sociology and went on to work as a social worker, encyclopedia salesman, junior high school teacher and reporter before becoming a full-time actor at 31.

Walsh, who had been active in community theater, was discovered by a director in 1974 and began working in off-Broadway shows. He met playwright David Mamet in 1976 and won a role in the first performance of "American Buffalo."

Walsh, an avid reader who spoke fluent German got his big break when he was cast in another Mamet play, "Glengarry Glen Ross," on Broadway in 1984. The role brought him to the attention of Hollywood casting agents, and four years later, he moved to Los Angeles, where he lived with his son, TV production assistant John West.

Walsh is survived by his son, a brother and two sisters.



AP Photo

Actor J.T. Walsh, shown in this undated handout photo, who played Jack Nicholson's suicidal lieutenant colonel in "A Few Good Men" and more recently starred as the villain in "Breakdown," died Friday. He was 54.

Newt raises presidential speculation

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — The next Republican presidential nominee should offer a vision "that people can feel in their lives," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich. In the state where the 2000 presidential campaign begins, Gingrich conceded he may well consider trying to fill that bill.

The Georgia Republican generated a lot of speculation during a barnstorming swing through Iowa, where precinct caucuses open the nominating season for a parade of potential candidates that's already heavy.

He raised a little money — actually quite a lot — for a local congressman, adopted a lion at the zoo and signed autographs and was cheered by thousands at a statewide wrestling competition Friday night.

If that all sounds like a politician testing the political waters, that was precisely how it was being read.

"He's pushing all the right buttons," conceded Keith Fortman, executive director of the Iowa Republican Party.

Publicly, Gingrich was modest, even as Atlanta-based political aides met privately with reporters and activists to get acquainted, pass out business cards and pledge to keep in touch.

"I'm saying that at some point, down the road, you can think about that," Gingrich said, "but for this year, I'm focused on being speaker." That comment came in an interview on a statewide public affairs television program that's a staple for, well, political candidates.

Some were talking as if it were a done deal.

"I think he'll be competitive," said Iowa GOP chairman Steve Grubbs. "There are only a handful of candidates who can go for the whole spectrum of Republicans, and he's one of them."

By some accounts, Gingrich has moved with painstaking care. He has a half-dozen staffers with close ties to Iowa, and Grubbs himself once spoke with some aides about a job with Gingrich's political action committee, GOPAC.

The hitch, Grubbs recalled, was the need for a commitment not to work for another presidential candidate.

"It was a concern of theirs. They wanted somebody who was committed to the speaker," recalls Grubbs.

The speculation comes as some in Congress are starting to talk openly about a leadership struggle in a post-Gingrich Congress. It also comes in a climate that may be improving for the Georgian.

"I'd guess there are a number of people looking at leadership opportunities, anticipating he will run for president, but we don't know that yet," said Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla.

"Just the speculation has caused people to think about what the future leadership situation will be," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said.

And in Washington on Wednesday, as the speaker's former political right hand Rep. Bill Paxon, R-N.Y., announced his retirement, he said Gingrich has told him he plans to run. "I don't think there's any question about that," Paxon said. "I believe that, categorically, absolutely."

Gingrich also seems to be on something of a roll in the polls. He won a 40 percent approval rating in January, his highest ever in ABC news polling.

While that number wouldn't impress many politicians, for Gingrich it was an avalanche of support. His approval rating had plummeted to 26 percent a year ago.

"He would sell very well if he had the time to come in here and campaign," said Steve Roberts, a Des Moines lawyer who sits on the Republican National Committee.

While the poll numbers are looking up, Roberts said, it would still take some time to remedy the bruises of the past few years.

Brent Siegrist is a Council Bluffs Republican, the majority leader in the Iowa House. He supports former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander, but when the opportunity came to be introduced to 15,000 wrestling fans standing arm-in-arm with Gingrich, Siegrist eagerly plunged in.

"Obviously, the guy's a national figure, and he's got an agenda," Siegrist said.

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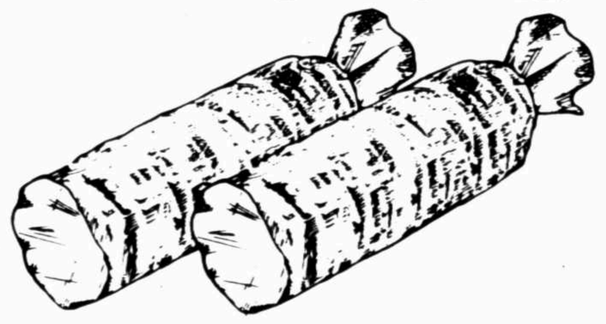
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Shirley Uysett stands outside her motor home in the Ponderosa Park Campground Friday in Kissimmee, Fla. Uysett and her husband Art of Beloit, Ohio were in the home when a tornado struck early Monday morning causing her facial, back and leg injuries. The death toll from Monday's storm now stands at 39.

Tornadoes rip apart Florida dream for many survivors

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) — Each year, when Vermont's achybones winter and cold, dark nights settled in, Rita Rouleau would dream of long walks in the Florida sun. She got her wish 15 years ago when she moved to Kissimmee.

Like many central Florida residents who relocated here for the year-round sunshine and healthy economy, the 53-year-old widow is having second thoughts after a tornado ripped apart her home a week ago. She is planning to move to Virginia to be closer to her daughter.

"I was never sorry about choosing to live here until 1 o'clock Monday morning," Mrs. Rouleau said as she ate a sandwich provided by the Red Cross.

That's when a swarm of deadly tornadoes with 210-mph winds ripped through her neighborhood, shredding hundreds of homes into piles of splintered plywood and scattering sheets of aluminum siding like wind-blown leaves.

Mrs. Rouleau, 53, jumped into a bathtub with her 48-year-old sister, Linda Albert, and their two dogs — a Peekapoo and a Pomeranian — as lightning lit up their home and the force of the tornado's winds made their heads feel like they would explode.

Ever prepared, Mrs. Rouleau had thrown blankets, dog collars and a purse full of cash into the tub the night before.

At Lakeside Estates, a middle-class enclave of young Hispanic families and retirees, Mrs. Rouleau's three-bedroom stucco house — which she called "my little piece of heaven" for its sun room from which she watched birds frolic in a birdbath — has holes in the roof and walls leaning at unintended angles.

Firefighters spray-painted the letter "C" in black on the front of the house, meaning it was condemned.

Three-quarters of Florida's year-round residents come from other states to settle in a region where a new three-bedroom home goes for roughly $75,000.

Jeannine Bruno, 71, and her husband Paul, 62, moved to the Sunshine State four years ago from Spring Valley, a New York City suburb, for the weather, so close in climate to their native Haiti. They intended to spend their retirement years enjoying a life of serenity and deep blue skies. The tornado gashed the roof and stripped away plastic siding on their three-bedroom house.

"I feel I should go back to New York with my family," said Mrs. Bruno, who has six children and nine grandchildren living there.

If she moved back, there's a lot she would miss. "I love the sunshine and I've got good neighbors," she said.

Many in her neighborhood, like 32-year-old Angel Reveron, moved to the area for the jobs provided by the booming tourism industry. Kissimmee, 20 miles south of Orlando, has grown to about 40,000 people in recent years, riding the wave of expansions at Walt Disney World, Universal Studios and constant hotel construction.

Reveron moved from his family's farm in Puerto Rico nine years ago to work as a chef at an Italian restaurant. He saved enough money for the airy, three-bedroom stucco home he purchased in 1994 for his wife, Lilliam, and their 2-year-old daughter, Angela Marie.

They escaped the tornado with their lives but little else.

"It took me five years to buy this house and I lost everything in 10 minutes," Reveron said.

Families hold services for victims of tornadoes

APOPKA, Fla. (AP) — Penny Hall and Kevin Taylor planned to be together in marriage. Instead, they were united in death, buried side-by-side Saturday, a week after they perished in a fierce night of tornadoes.

More than 300 mourners came to the funeral for the couple and Ms. Hall's parents, Ed and Debra, who also were killed when a twister demolished the family's mobile home early Monday morning.

Ms. Hall's 5-year-old daughter, Ashley Himes, the only survivor in the house, is hospitalized in stable condition with a ruptured spleen and bruised lung.

Another funeral service was held Saturday in nearby St. Cloud for 9-month-old Niles David Bourke, who was sucked from his father's arms and dumped 300 feet from his mobile home.

He lay in a white casket trimmed with blue lace. The white Sesame Street socks he wore had the words, "Why? Why? Why?" printed on them. A new brown teddy bear sat beside him to replace the one he lost in the storm.

Karen and Guy Bourke wept quietly for their son.

"As I tried to close the (closet) door, the floor lifted up and threw me against the wall and slapped me against the ceiling. When I woke up a half hour later, Niles was gone and my jaw was just hanging there covered with blood," Bourke said.

Mrs. Bourke's brother found Niles' body under a pile of debris 14 hours later.

Heavy sobs punctuated the hour-long service for the Hall family, which opened with the song, "The Rest is Mine," by country artist Trace Adkins:

"There is no guarantee we'll see tomorrow,

"Heaven only knows how long we have ..."

The Rev. Robert Welch, pastor of Orlando Church of God of Prophecy, said that he stopped earlier in the day to visit Ashley at the hospital. She told him her mother and grandparents had died and were in heaven.

"She's handling this perhaps a lot better than us," Welch said, asking for silent prayer for the brave little girl who was found wandering dazed in the woods after the tornadoes struck.

He read from Scripture, talked of mortality, resurrection and eternal life.

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For ex-cons, job search tough obstacle in road to redemption

By Ken Guggenheim
Associated Press

NEW YORK — In the post-lunch torpor of a sunny afternoon, the class is restless. Large men squirm in desks built for schoolchildren. Some stare out the window. They're learning how to find work, and instructor George Lino is dissecting a sample job application line by line.

The class is drifting, so Lino jumps to the key question:

"Have you ever been convicted of a felony?"

Bodies shift. Heads turn. Eyes lock on Lino. The answer, for everyone here, is "yes."

Many have quit drugs. They've learned job skills. They insist they'll never commit another crime. Yet, to have a chance at redemption, they need jobs. But who wants to hire an ex-convict?

In the back row, Victor Alvarado listens intently. At 39, he's older than most of the others, and he stands out in his suit and tie. With his neatly trimmed mustache, he could pass for a small-town banker.

But not so long ago, Alvarado was a fearsome street thug, arrested again and again: drugs, guns, robbery, attempted murder. "About the only thing I can say in his behalf," a prosecutor once said, "is he hasn't killed anyone yet."

Alvarado swears he's changed. The rage he felt as a young man has given way to middle-age mellowness.

He has been free on parole for more than a year. And now he's here, in this classroom run by South Forty Corp., a nonprofit agency that trains former inmates to become employable.

It's hard. Alvarado knows. He worked for a few months at a furniture factory that never asked about his past. But he couldn't keep up with the demands of the job and quit. Now, having finished a year-long drug treatment program, he's attending school to become a certified drug counselor.

But thoughts of a job always lead to The Question. Lino, himself a one-time felon, offers straightforward advice.

"You don't check 'yes.' You don't check 'no.' You don't leave it blank," he says. "You put down, 'Wish to discuss during interview.'"

Answering "yes" or leaving it blank almost guarantees rejection. Answering "no" is lying and grounds for dismissal. By trying to discuss it in an interview, Lino says, applicants can plead their case that they've turned their lives around.

Alvarado listens, but he's skeptical.

John Rakis calls it the three-legged stool for ex-convicts: housing, employment and counseling support.

"If one is missing, it's going to topple," says Rakis, executive director at South Forty and a former New York prison system official. And finding work may be the toughest part.

Hiring an ex-convict is a gamble. For every three inmates released from prison, one is back behind bars within four years. Many employers don't want to take a chance.

"It's Russian roulette from their point of view," says Eleanor Pam of John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York. "Who's been totally rehabilitated and who is going to, at first opportunity, rob me or murder me?"

Many states prohibit employers from discriminating against ex-convicts unless the conviction was for a crime closely related to the employer's business. A bank could refuse to hire a former bank robber, for example.

But discrimination is hard to prove. Employers seldom give reasons for turning down applicants.

"Employers, when they see conviction records, are somewhat careful and pay attention to that. Absolutely," says Matthew Bartosiak, a senior consultant with The Employers Group. The non-profit association in Los Angeles advises employers to consider not just the applicant's offense, but training and experience as well.

A week after the South Forty class, Alvarado has some luck. He finds temporary, part-time work driving social service workers who provide in-home lunches for the elderly. No one asks about his past. But a few days later, he is handed a job application. When he gets to The Question, he leaves the line blank.

"There wasn't a doubt in my mind," he says, sitting on the bed in his tiny room in a city housing project. "I'd rather be out of a job six months from now than be out of a job tomorrow just because they read the application and found out I was an ex-convict."

Twice before, Alvarado had answered "yes" on applications. Both times he didn't get the job. This time, he says, he can't take a chance. Employment is a condition of his parole. He needs the money to pay $150 a month for the room he rents. He needs to pay tuition.

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Study shows IRS audits poor Southerners most often

WASHINGTON (AP) — If you're poor and live in the South, you might want to check that federal income tax return very carefully before sending it off to the Internal Revenue Service.

A study by the General Accounting Office found that 47 percent of randomly audited taxpayers over the past three years live in 11 Southern states. And more than 85 percent of those audited had incomes below $25,000.

The number of taxpayers selected at random for audits is small, compared with the total number of IRS audits. During the 1994-1996 tax years, for example, the GAO said only 2,961 of the 5.6 million returns audited were selected at random.

Random audits are restricted to groups the IRS has suspicions about, one of which comprises low-income working families who claim the earned income tax credit. To qualify for that credit, a couple with one child must earn less than $25,760, with virtually no interest or other unearned income.

"The emphasis on attacking the poor is unconscionable," said Sen. Paul Coverdell, R-Ga., who requested the GAO study. "You can't help but conclude that they've decided if they go after somebody who's defenseless, it's easier."

But House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and other prominent Republicans repeatedly have attacked the earned income tax program as a prime example of fraud and abuse in government. Last April, the Treasury Department reported that 26 percent of claims for the benefit — $4.4 billion worth — went to unqualified recipients. Gingrich has even suggested abolishing inheritance taxes, the lost revenue recouped by tightening the earned income tax program.

Agency officials contend the 2,961 random audits weren't truly random.

John M. Dalrymple, the IRS acting chief compliance officer, said the agency targeted six groups for random audits from 1994 through 1996 because of "suspected or known noncompliance" with tax laws. The largest comprised taxpayers claiming the earned income tax credit, who the GAO said were singled out because of the repeated congressional criticisms that taxpayers were abusing the credit.

Other targeted groups were Ohio restaurants with alcoholic beverage licenses, returns where more than one taxpayer claimed the same dependent, self-employed Georgians claiming business losses and collecting the earned income tax credit as well, self-employed Missourians who didn't pay a self-employment tax and sole proprietors in Illinois with questionable wholesale and retail filings.

GAO said the IRS selected 7,421 returns at random from those six groups during the three years, plus an undisclosed number picked from the earned income tax credit group in 1996. The IRS gave the congressional watchdog agency detailed information about only the 2,961 audits that were completed, of which 1,380, or 47 percent, were from the 11 Southern states. Only 29 percent of Americans live there.

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Clinton pauses ski vacation to assess damage

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — President Clinton was taking a brief pause from his family's Utah ski vacation Saturday to honor a political fund-raising commitment in California and assess flood-relief efforts there.

It was no small task to break away. With a press pool in tow, the president had to motorcade out of the Wasatch Mountains to Salt Lake City, where Air Force One waited to shuttle the entourage to Los Angeles for the four-hour visit.

As the president's motorcade rolled down Park City's Main Street to begin his trip to Salt Lake International Airport 25 miles away, it abruptly stopped twice.

The first time, Clinton, clad in a black leather jacket and cowboy boots, ducked into the Park City Museum of History and Territorial Jail. Asked how he liked the resort community, he flashed a thumbs-up.

A few minutes later, the motorcade halted again while the president visited the Main Street Deli.

Asked how Chelsea was enjoying her vacation, he said: "She's fine. She's a good skier."

Asked how he enjoyed his trip to Park City, Clinton said: "Wonderful. It was really terrific. I played games. I didn't do anything but hang around the house."

In the Main Street Deli, he ordered a cup of decaf from owner Barbara Lindbloom, who remarked she had voted for the president, and that was "hard in Utah."

With a knowing expression, the president answered, "Hazardous to your health out here."

Clinton had pledged to headline Sen. Barbara Boxer's $500,000 Beverly Hills fund-raiser when earlier plans had him scheduled to be a few hours north of Los Angeles at Stanford University, where his daughter Chelsea is a freshman.

She opted instead for Utah, where she and her mother skied the Deer Valley resort in relative anonymity.

"Skiing is the sport for celebrities," said fellow skier Randy Sanders, of San Diego, who did not spot Chelsea or Mrs. Clinton on the slopes. "You can get all covered up and not be spotted. Except for the Secret Service trailing behind, you can pretty well be invisible."

Despite the last-minute switch to Utah, Clinton was honoring his promise to Boxer, whose daughter is married to Clinton's brother-in-law.

The president also was meeting at Los Angeles International Airport with local officials cleaning up after disastrous El Nino-driven storms. White House aides said Clinton, who consoled tornado victims Wednesday in Florida, added the meeting so as not to give short shrift to Californians whose homes and businesses have been destroyed by flooding and mudslides.

At the Beverly Hills home of supermarket-chain mogul Ron Burkle, around 100 donors — including actors Danny DeVito, Whoopi Goldberg, Ted Danson and Paul Reiser — were asked to give $5,000 per person. Boxer's November re-election campaign was to get the first $2,000 of each donation, the legal limit for an individual candidate.

The balance of Saturday night's proceeds would benefit the Democratic party as so-called "soft money," unregulated money meant to be used in "party-building" projects.

The president's fund-raising appearance came one day after he asked two regulatory agencies to end the "fund-raising arms race" by banning the unregulated "soft money" that flows by the millions to national political parties from corporations, labor unions and individuals.

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Hankinson, O'Neill top court choices

Two seats on the Texas Supreme Court — Place 2 and Place 4 — will be filled during this year's elections.

These positions are particularly important because the rulings issued by the Supreme Court affect each of us in our daily lives.

There are no contested races for the court on the Democratic ticket.

Republican Primary, Place 2: Justice Harriet O'Neill who now sits on Houston's 14th Court of Appeals is the outstanding candidate for this nomination. She was appointed to her current judgeship by Gov. George W. Bush three years ago because of her legal scholarship and respect for precedent.

It's important to note that she has the respect of her peers in the legal community. In 1997 Justice O'Neill was the highest rated judge in her court and she has received an overall 86 percent approval rating from the Houston Bar Association poll during her years on the appellate bench. Her opponent on the other hand continues to be rated in the bottom of the Dallas Bar Association judicial ratings, according to The Dallas Morning News.

We encourage voters to cast their ballots for **Harriet O'Neill**.

Republican Primary, Place 4: Justice Deborah Hankinson, who was appointed to the high court in October by Gov. Bush, obviously deserves to be elected to a full term.

She has good experience, having served on the Fifth District Court of Appeals in Dallas County. Before that, she was graduated first in her class from Southern Methodist University school of law and served as editor-in-chief of Southwestern Law Journal.

Justice **Deborah Hankinson** is the obvious choice in this race, and voters should cast their ballots for her.

Ballard best choice for education board

The role of those serving on the State Board of Education has come to be viewed as critical to the quality of education being offered in the public schools today.

Two candidates are seeking the GOP nomination in the Republican Primary. The only candidate in the Democratic Primary is incumbent District 1 board member René Nuñez of El Paso. The Republican nominee will face Nuñez in November.

Republican Primary: Donna Ballard, who moved to Midland in November 1996 from Houston, resigned a seat on the State Board of Education from District 8. Now she hopes to regain a seat on the board by unseating Nunez, but first she must gain the GOP nomination.

Ballard is well-qualified to serve on the board and more than willing to butt heads with those on the board whose views she believes are detrimental to the quality of education being dispensed in public schools.

She argues persuasively for basics, the teaching of reading by phonics rather than by the whole language method, and against social promotion of students before they have mastered the skills for their grade level.

Donna Ballard is a fighter for the school children of Texas and should get the Republican nomination.

JACK ANDERSON

Will FEMA's new computer system be disaster?

WASHINGTON — It's sometimes hard to tell what's worse: The natural disasters wrought by El Nino on unsuspecting communities across the country — or the man-made disasters at the federal agency that's supposed to help the victims of such calamities.


Anderson

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has experienced its own share of disasters in recent years. After Hurricane Hugo in 1989, the agency came under withering criticism for its slow response in getting aid out to the thousands of people who were left homeless.

Apparently the criticism had its desired effect — for a while. The agency won rave reviews for its performance after Florida's Hurricane Andrew in 1992, and performed ably during the floods that ravaged the Midwest the following year.

One of FEMA's most debilitating shortcomings was that it didn't have enough up-to-date technology to respond quickly when emergencies arose. So in 1996, the agency budgeted $71 million to develop and install an entirely new computer system — the National Emergency Management Information System.

FEMA officials admit that the effort is now 10 months behind schedule and $23 million over budget. That's bad news for people like the Florida residents whose homes and lives recently were devastated by a wave of tornadoes.

Nevertheless, agency officials insisted that NEMIS will be operational by the spring of 1999. They also predicted that the project would cost no more than the $71 million originally budgeted.

"We do admit that some of the system was a bit more complex than what we originally thought, but that's always the case when you're starting a brand new system from scratch," said FEMA spokeswoman Valle Bunting. "We're thinking that the system will be on line by the spring of 1999. ... I think that we will be able to stay under that $71 million figure."

But considering that the agency has already, by its own admission, spent $54 million on NEMIS, it's easy to doubt that claim.

The system, which aims to integrate all of FEMA's computers and promises to eliminate mounds of tedious paperwork at the agency, is being developed in two "versions," or phases.

Phase one, which was supposed to cost $31 million, is still unfinished. But agency spokeswoman Barbara Yagerman maintains that programmers "basically rolled some of the things that they were going to put in the second version into the first version," and thus will have no trouble staying under budget.

That's not what one former project employee told us, however. "You've got to wonder what was supposed to happen in phase two that they're knocking out," this person told our associate Aaron Karp. Our source recently quit his job at FEMA in "utter disgust" at the way the agency was handling NEMIS.

"I was shocked and appalled at how taxpayer money went down the drain," he said.

The same sentiment was shared by others we spoke to, including some who are still working on the project. "As a taxpayer, I'm concerned," said one project employee. "I think there have been problems with it from the beginning."

Yet agency spokesmen insist that December tests of NEMIS in Atlanta and Texas were successful, proving that all is well with the system. "Both tests performed as we thought (they would), which was very positive," said Bunting.

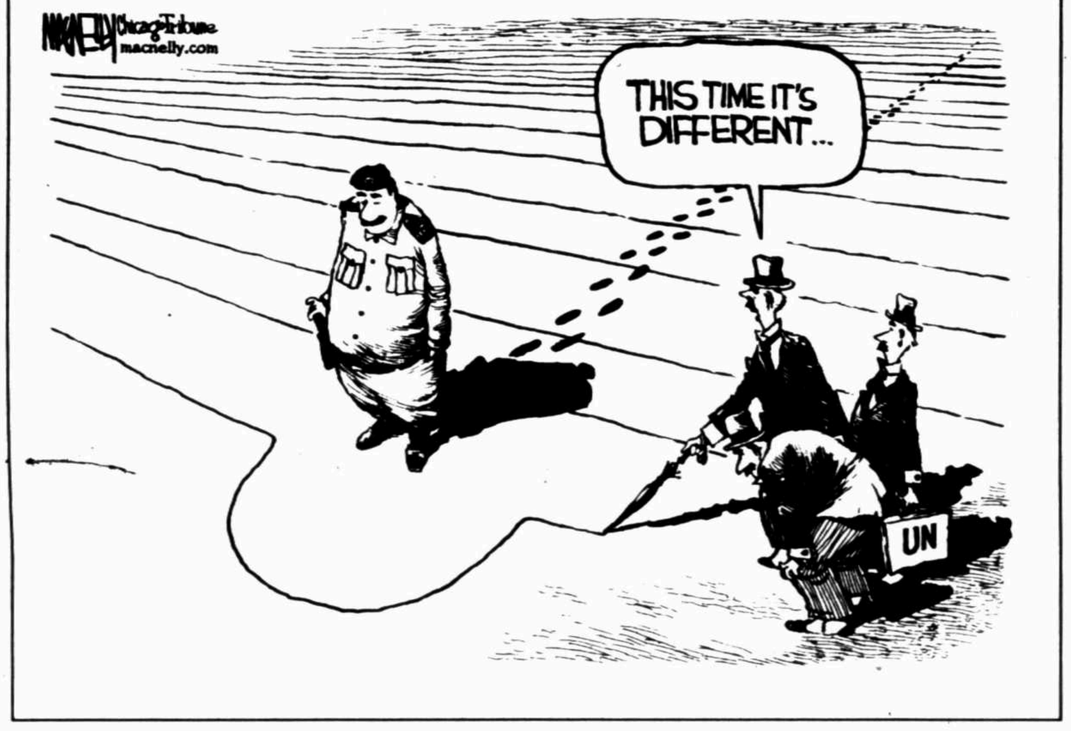
But sources involved with NEMIS at the time of these tests offer a different account. "Everything didn't go fine in Atlanta; the system was overloaded," said one insider. "It couldn't handle Atlanta. To say that the Atlanta test went fine — that's not right."

Another source believes that the success of the December tests is greatly exaggerated: "The reports that everybody put in said (the tests) went great. But my impression was that the remote sites were not able to pass data back and forth."

It's too early to tell who's right and who's wrong; whether the rank-and-file are telling the truth or if the confident predictions of the agency brass will prove out.

What we do know is this: In a season of unprecedented natural disasters, those who are the most hurt by FEMA's dithering and delays are those who most need the government's help.

Jack Anderson's and Jan Moller's column is distributed by United Feature Syndicate.



RUSSELL BAKER

Everyone has reason to support president

Television's talking heads and everyone else who professes a lot of savvy about whatever is in the air keep telling us why the president's popularity stays high despite the cheesy sex scandal now running in Washington.

Most of these explanations are hot-air emissions based on interviews with a makeup woman just before air time in a Washington TV studio. Tired of such nonsense? Want to know why so many support the president despite the scandal? Listen:

1. High-level executives support him because they have been doing it for years themselves, or plan to do it as soon as they get the nerve. They think that kicking him out would not only set a nasty and destructive precedent, but also stifle initiative.


Baker

2. Middle- and low-level working stiffs support him because they think Newt Gingrich and Trent Lott would give the uptown swells an even bigger share of the money than he does.

3. Fun lovers support him because either impeachment or resignation would result in President Gore.

4. Republicans support him because they think that, after three more years of Monica Lewinsky news, Americans will never want another Democrat feeling their pain.

5. Feminists support him because they feel bad about getting Republican Sen. Bob Packwood, the great defender of women's abortion rights, kicked out of office for kissing the help.

6. Journalists support him for his proven ability to feed the ever-gaping maw of the media. How often do they get a president who, having escaped a Gennifer Flowers scandal, is dim enough to have a Monica Lewinsky in for private seances?

7. Poets support him because they don't get an awful lot of presidents who give the nation's Monica Lewinskys copies of Walt Whitman's "Leaves of Grass."

8. Lawyers support him because his talent for getting into legal trouble is the greatest boon to their profession since the invention of the billable hour.

9. Wall Street supports him because while he is not a Republican, neither is he a Democrat.

10. Kenneth Starr supports him because without him Starr would lose his chance to appear on network television day and night. Then Starr would have to go to Pepperdine University and teach law. Imagine having to lecture on torts — year after year, torts! — while remembering the glory of those TV appearances and the pleasure of making Monica's mom sweat for a grand jury.

11. Hillary supports him because she told him so. A long time ago she told him, "Keep playing around, big fella, and sooner or later they'll get you, and then I'll tell you 'I told you so.'" Now it is good telling him "I told you so." It wouldn't be half as good if she had to do it in a furnished flat in Little Rock and read about the brilliance of First Lady Tipper Gore.

12. Preachers support him because he gives them reason to talk about carnal vice and pleasures of the flesh more frequently than might be seemly without his loathsome example.

13. Linda Tripp supports him because he has made her famous, if not yet rich.

14. Hollywood supports him because he's not the kind of guy who thinks creative genius and a fortune in cosmetic surgery ought to deprive anyone of the right to a night in the Lincoln Bedroom.

15. Yuppies support him because he never reminds them that they ought to do something besides make more money, build bigger houses and buy more stupendous sport utility vehicles — in short, because he feels their painlessness.

Russell Baker's column is distributed by New York Times News Service.

LETTERS

Sheriff's Office, Midland police need to take care of graffiti

In relation to the handling of certain situations by the Midland County Sheriff's Office, in particular, Sheriff Painter: He professes to uphold the law and keep the county a safe place to live. I see no evidence of this in my neighborhood. The graffiti problem has become completely out of hand, with no visual action on the part of Midland Police Department. Some action must be taken soon.

The residents of this area will not be responsible for any action taken on their part to protect their homes, pets and belongings. Let this be a warning to not only the individuals defacing the area, but also to the rest of the Midland community. This action must be handled now!

James W. Hull

Alice Brown is dedicated, has vision to be county clerk

Midland County is fortunate to have an efficient, dedicated organizer like Alice Brown for county clerk. She has modernized record keeping by integrated computerization. She has modernized payment methods to benefit regular users of the county records.

We need to re-elect Alice Brown as county clerk. She has the vision to implement advanced technology to maintain our records at state standards, to be efficient, and to reduce spending.

Peggy Wennerlind

Schneider is caring, believes government belongs to people

We have an opportunity to elect Pat Schneider to Precinct 2 as our county commissioner.

She is caring, intelligent, looks out for the neighborhood and is an asset to our community. Having served as a City Council member for five years, she would add a new perspective to local government that she perceives belongs to the people.

J. Stewart Martin

Many people in Texas are forgetting about Constitution

If others have yet to figure it out, then I'll spell it out for them. It is now time for Texas to secede! The Republic of Texas people really may have figured things out. Why, do you ask?

Think about it. Dan Morales has decided to take into his own hands where the new video slot machines can, and cannot be placed. The infamous Texas Legislature isn't in session, and he decides on his own how to interpret the law, with no help mind you. And, I believe it takes an act of Congress to make a law. These machines are keeping a few gambling dollars (besides the lottery) within the state. But, let us not forget, one form of gambling is legal, but the other is not! Whoever said bigotry and hypocracy left the great Legislature of Texas.

The other thing is this Oprah problem. What is the deal with one (rich) person thinking that she can speak her mind? Of all the nerve. OK, so Texas has some "protective" law — so let's hang anyone that opposes us, or it. Just details. Who so ever shall defy any native producer of edible products, let them pay — it sounds good, but...

There is one small problem, and I think it's called the United States Constitution. And, I know that there is something in there about freedom of speech. Poor Oprah, she just gave an opinion, like "I'll never eat another hamburger," or whatever. Did this really hurt anyone? Not just no, but no way. Remember the spoiled meat in the northwest? Hmmmmmm? Could that have caused the meat prices to plummet? Let's think about this for a minute. Besides the "mad cow" epidemic started in England, so why not sue the Royal Family? Doesn't that make just as much sense? Go where the problem started.

With that off of my chest, I can now say, "what a relief." I now know there are people more hard up for money than I am.

Tear 'em up Oprah and don't forget that old piece of paper that people smarter than some others wrote more than 200 years ago. I believe it's called the Constitution. And it should outweigh any Texas law.

And, if Oprah hurt anyone with her Constitutional right, then I think I'll never eat pig's feet! Ha!!!

Haynes Wilson

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, March 1, the 60th day of 1998. There are 305 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 1, 1961, President Kennedy established the Peace Corps.

On this date:

In 1781, the Continental Congress adopted the Articles of Confederation.

In 1790, Congress authorized the first U.S. census.

In 1845, President Tyler signed a congressional resolution to annex the Republic of Texas.

In 1867, Nebraska became the 37th state.

In 1872, Congress authorized creation of Yellowstone National Park.

In 1896, the Battle of Adowa began in Ethiopia between the forces of Emperor Menelik II and Italian troops. The Italians suffered a crushing defeat.

WHOM TO WRITE

Following is a list of the names and addresses of various state and federal officials Midlanders may wish to contact from time-to-time:

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Phil Gramm (R), 370 Russell Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510 or call (202) 224-2934, Fax (202) 228-2856.

Representative: Larry Combest (R), District 19, 1511 Longworth Building, Washington D.C. 20515 or call 550-0743, Fax 550-0852.

Representative: Lamar Smith (R), District 21, 2443 Rayburn House Office Building, Washinton, D.C. 20515 or call (202) 225-4236. Fax (202) 225-8628; or 201 W. Wall Suite 104, Midland, Texas 79701, or call 687-5232, Fax 687-5234.

Representative: Henry Bonilla (R), District 23, 1529 Longworth, Washinton, D.C., 20515 or call (202) 225-4511, Fax (202) 225-2237; or 4400 N. Big Spring, Suite 211, Midland, Texas 79705, or call 686-8833, Fax 686-8819.

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LETTERS

Gambling is gambling, no matter where it is

I have been observing the hoopla surrounding the local gaming arcades and their legality in the state of Texas. I would like to submit my views on this controversy.

Please understand that when the state of Texas voted to allow gambling it opened the doors to all forms, including electronic gaming. I have read and reread the statutes regarding these electronic devices and have yet to see what is illegal, as long as winnings are not paid in cash.

My first question is: What started all this, exactly? I have spoken with vendors who say they have owned and operated these machines across the state for years and there was never a question about their legitimacy. Right here in Midland these businesses have operated for the last few years and have never been questioned. Why the sudden interest?

It is not my intention to advocate or oppose gambling. That is a personal choice. But I could not help but laugh at a local news broadcast that referred to a statement by Dan Morales, indicating that these casinos are not the same as the children's areas found in local pizza parlors and amusement centers. He added that these arcades allow children to trade in tickets for toys and merchandise worth less than $5. That is the same premise on which the adult gaming centers operate! So let me get this straight, the message that is sent here by Mr. Morales is that the 21-year-old adult should not be allowed to play games of chance, but our children can? For the record, these children's tickets can be traded for many items that are worth more than $5.

My opinion is that gambling is gambling, whether you are in a pizza parlor, a bingo hall, a race track or at the local convenience store buying a Lotto ticket (all which can be found in the state of Texas). If you are participating in a game of chance you are gambling.

What I do not understand is why the government has become so hard-headed on this particular issue. At first the problem was that the machines did not meet "legal" criteria. There needed to be a "hand count" and the player could only win based on a ratio of hands played to dollars spent. With regard to that issue it simply means you must play more in order to win. If you drop a dollar in and immediately win a large jackpot, you can't cash in and walk away; you have to continue playing until you have played a sufficient number of hands. Oh and thanks to the "powers-that-be" for thinking of the players on that one — not! Now it is a specific type of game referred to as "eight-liners."

Our city leaders want to increase our sales tax in order to have a fund to bribe businesses to our area. We have prospering businesses in operation, that the government wants closed. Think about this, these establishments provide jobs to the area. You win gift certificates bought locally and spent locally!

Winnings from these casinos increase our tax base! Folks who like gaming will travel to New Mexico or Las Vegas or to the river boats and take local money with them in order to enjoy their pastime!

Susan Sexton

Religion's adherents prove self-serving

Local pundits of the conservative controlling factions attempt to describe our community as a model for the nation. Yet wasn't our Lord denied three times by one who aligned himself as a follower? The answer is an unequivocal yes, and reflects the contradictions that manifest themselves in the conservative religion. A religion where one's voice carries in direct proportion to his wealth. A religion where damnation is practiced by the chosen few if the will of the community contradicts their will.

I also attempt to convey to the community that the way the path to success runs through the conservative ranks clearly reflects some socialistic influences that they accuse others of possessing. In the same vein the incessant barrage of right-wing propaganda eerily mirrors Marxist teachings.

Further, their perception of equality socially and in the eyes of the law demonstrates a condemnation of the average citizen, but a plea for leniency for their cronies, as in the case of the multiple felon and former Arizona governor who received a letter pleading for mercy and leniency from get-tough-on-criminals Gov. George Bush. They must have two sets of rules; one of which does not apply to high-ranking Republicans. This action by Gov. Bush is similar to his father President Bush pardoning high-ranking federal officials of their involvement in Iran-Contra.

Finally, the right-wing advocacy of privatization warrants close scrutiny in uncovering the true basis for this activity, a transforming of public dollars in private profits with little or no accountability.

With such track records for this religion it is unimaginable that so many would align themselves with such a self-serving faction.

Manuel R. Lujan

Anderson energetic, honest, responsible

Since being transferred to Midland three years ago I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with Dianne Anderson. I have found her to be of impeccable character and notably responsible. She seems constantly to be moving on many projects with an abundance of energy and an endless resource of ideas and inspirations, all of which are profoundly rooted in common sense and reasoning. As a member of the school board, Albertson's public relations officer, and a local business owner and manager, she has demonstrated to me honesty and integrity in every aspect of her character. I have every confidence that all of these attributes will follow her to the position of county judge on March 10.

Kirk Kiser

Midlanders should boycott bookstore

I would like to address the situation regarding Barnes & Noble bookstore selling the book of child pornography; the thought of someone abusing a child in any shape, form or fashion not only makes me sick to my stomach, but makes me mad as heck. This is abuse no matter what anyone says.

The fact that Barnes & Noble refused to remove the book from their shelves should tell us what kind of company they are ... Our local law enforcement departments may not be able to shut them down, but golly we can. I implore the people of our city and county to stay away from their stores. If they have no business they cannot remain open.

I for one will never step foot back in the Midland store or any other bookstore related to them.

Cindy King

'Open campus' isn't worth the danger

With much sorrow and heartache, I write today with concern for two families. One has lost a husband, father and grandfather due to injuries received in a senseless, tragic accident that occurred at 12:30 p.m., Feb. 19. The other includes a 16-year-old girl who will always remember taking another person's life. This accident could possibly have been prevented.

Midland — you fought for "open campus" for your children. You gave this 16-year-old girl 30-40 minutes for lunch. She had a 2000 lb. vehicle, a few bucks, friends in the car, desperation to meet the allotted time frame and the inexperience of being a new driver on her hands. And worse yet, she or the other children could have been killed. I wonder what the parents of the other kids are thinking? Oh, and let's not forget the anguish this child will have to suffer the rest of her young life. These two families have lost greatly — one has lost a loved one forever and the other will always have to remember.

People say it is the cafeteria food. Who cares if someone complains? I've never heard of anyone dying from it. Have you? How many times have you dodged these young people in a hurry at lunch? Or seen the many accidents on Andrews Highway at lunch and usually one vehicle is a car full of students? Or how about when you stand in a restaurant and the topic is the party they are going to instead of going back to class? I know not all students do this, however...

I ask you Midland — is "open campus" worth it? Or will it take the death of your child instead of someone else's family member to change it?

Donna Blake

Morrow is committed, experienced, caring

Bill Morrow's stewardship and administrative ability have been proved through his professional positions, City Council and state-appointed positions.

His training as a lawyer has prepared him to make analytic, sound legal decisions.

His skill as a mediator will enable him to bring all factions around the table to make win/win decisions for our country.

Bill Morrow is caring, committed and experienced. We have worked with him and endorse him for county judge.

Sharla and Bart Hotchkiss

Shauna Brown always goes the extra mile

During my years with the Midland County Attorney's Office I had the opportunity to work with and later for Shauna Hodges Brown. Shauna's priority was always to provide the highest quality service possible. As the office manager, Shauna was dedicated to providing efficient, knowledgeable and courteous service. In her own dealings with the public and attorneys she always went the extra mile to help others.

Shauna stresses in her campaign her goal for "setting the standard for service" for the Midland County Clerk's office. I know from working with Shauna Hodges Brown and from her reputation that this is not just campaign rhetoric, but her true conviction.

Sheila Simmons

Prude has maintained high moral standards

It is hard to imagine why anyone would subject himself or herself to such criticism when entering the political arena, but I applaud Randy Prude for stepping up to the plate to tackle the challenge of county commissioner. Not only have I known Randy for more than 20 years, I have been his partner and friend. He has faced many adversities, hardships and blessings during these years. Through it all he has maintained high moral and ethical standards, that along with tough decisions, have honed his ability to discern problems. Randy enjoys challenges and will pursue them head on. It is with great trust that I will cast my vote with Randy Prude, as your next county commissioner.

Gary Glasscock

Coleman a fine school many proud to attend

Channel 7 News did a recent news story concerning the donation of computers by Abell-Hanger Foundation to Coleman High School. The report concluded by saying that "Coleman is a drop-out/recovery school." I took great offense, as did the rest of my family, at this totally inaccurate definition applied to this fine school, which should be appropriately labeled "an alternative high school."

Yes, former drop-out students do enroll at Coleman with the hope of completing high school. Yes, pregnant teenage girls enroll at Coleman because students work at their own pace and are allowed maternity time without being charged with too much absenteeism. Students enroll at Coleman for many reasons. Some are there because of harassment by other students at Lee/Midland High Schools which makes their high school years miserable instead of fun and memorable. One example would be the cheerleader incidents that occurred at Lee. Other students may have been involved in accidents or other such situations that kept them out of school for such a long period of time that it would have been necessary for them to repeat the grade. At Coleman, because students set their own pace, some have been known to work so diligently that they have completed enough credits in one year to cover two years of high school work.

Our daughter recently finished all of her credits for graduation three months early by attending Coleman. Unfortunately, we did not know of Coleman until about a year ago, but she claims the year she spent there was her best high school year ever. We, as parents, feel that Coleman is harder to complete than Midland or Lee, and we know that she is better prepared for college than had she attended her home high school. While at Coleman, her SAT scores improved dramatically, and after taking a TAAS remedial math course, she was finally able to pass the math portion of the TAAS with flying colors.

Coleman is an alternative high school. You will find teens from varied backgrounds and economic standings. If a student is discouraged with his or her home school or cannot continue attending that school, for whatever reason, Coleman is the perfect answer for a student who wants a happy high school experience and is diligent in accomplishing what is needed to graduate. If these goals are achieved, it is one of the best foundations a student could have to either go on to college or to their chosen vocation.

Coleman is a fine high school, albeit alternative, that any student would be proud to attend and call his/her own.

Howard S. Fishman

Schneider knows how to manage a budget

I want to commend the editorial staff for endorsing Mrs. Pat Schneider for county commissioner, Precinct 2. Pat Schneider has been an exceptional representative on the City Council and will be sorely missed. If we elect her as county commissioner, Pat Schneider will continue to serve our community and our county in the same professional manner.

Pat Schneider has the experience. She is a fiscal conservative and knows how to manage a budget. Pat Schneider has listened to her constituents. She supports the people, listens and most importantly, she acts. Her record as councilwoman is proof of a job well done.

Most importantly, Pat Schneider can bridge the gap between the city and county. It's time for the governmental entities of Midland to work as a team and Pat Schneider can fulfill that assignment.

J.C. Scroggins

Brezina is leading the fight to reduce red ink

Let's set the record straight — and cut through the smoke and mirrors! James Brezina is the true conservative. His opponent, in a slickly worded and well-financed campaign, is misleading the voters. James Brezina is the conservative who is leading the fight to increase your personal safety and to provide the money to fight crime. For the last few years Midland County has had a red-ink budget deficit of over $3 million. James Brezina is the conservative who is leading the fight to reduce this gush of red ink. If this flow is not stemmed, county employees will be cut. Because 70 percent of the county payroll is for the judicial and sheriff's departments, will they be the employees who are first to go?

James Brezina is straightforward, honest and the conservative county commissioner who will not stoop to negative advertising and smoke and mirrors to get elected — as his opponent is doing. I hate negative advertising and think most Midlanders do too. James Brezina has led the fight to save the taxpayer's dollars and balance the county budget, sometimes against great odds. We have a clear choice; please join me in returning a conservative, responsible, mature person, James Brezina, to county commissioner Precinct 4.

Winfree "Win" Brown

MISD does bestow 'social promotion'

I have some questions about comments made by Dr. Baressi concerning Gov. George Bush's anti-"social promotion" campaign in the Feb. 14 Reporter-Telegram.

1) If half-day kindergarten is so "unfair," why do some (not all) of the full-day kindergarten schools have low TAAS scores? I don't think half- vs. full-day kindergarten is the problem.

2) If MISD opposes "social promotion," why is Gov. Bush's proposal of any concern, or threat, to Dr. Baressi? My personal experience says that MISD does use social promotion.

3) How many of the third-graders who did not pass the TAAS test were involved in pre-school/daycare or Head Start programs before kindergarten — half or full day? I believe there are other issues that affect our children's scores, which I won't go into here.

My fifth-grader has never passed the TAAS test, yet MISD representatives have refused my request for retention. "The statistics say.." and "the numbers wouldn't look good.." were some of the reasons I was given for refusal. When a child is "socially" promoted, you do them no favors; academically, emotionally or socially.

Until MISD starts serving each name on the roster as an individual and not a number, it is my opinion that the Midland school system will continue to struggle.

Roxanne Paris

Bradford conservative, honest, hard-working

I know Mike Bradford to be the kind of person Midland County needs as county commissioner, Precinct 2. Mike is sincere and dedicated to his family, friends and community. In the 20 years I have known him, he has always been a gentleman of integrity and perseverance. Mike had a special and warm relationship with my late husband, John P. Butler. His optimistic outlook on life lends itself to working productively with people.

Midland County is fortunate to have someone so hard-working, honest and conservative willing to serve as county commissioner. As foreman of the special grand jury on gang activity, he once again demonstrated his ability to forge cooperative agreements with diverse entities. Mike Bradford really enjoys participating in his children's activities, from Indian Princesses to his current coaching of YMCA basketball.

Alva D. Butler

Jackson has desire to help people of Midland

Recently I approached Bill Jackson about assisting a young couple in purchasing their first home in Midland. He consented to do this without a fee and his response to this was that being of service to individuals is a pleasure. "If you can't help someone in this world, we are in a terrible shape," was his response.

Having known Bill Jackson for 40 years, I always have found this to be his philosophy. As a teacher in MISD and later as a principal, he demonstrated his desire to help people. While an employee, he was active in the Teacher's Credit Union where he served as president for several elected terms. He was instrumental in the growth of the credit union to its current status.

Both Bill and wife Judy are firm believers in the future of Midland and Midland County. Their enthusiasm for the growth and continued progress of Midland is always evident in their actions. Bill will continue to maintain the philosophy of being of service to others, always in a manner that will be fair, efficient, firm and friendly. It is with enthusiasm that I endorse Bill Jackson as county commissioner Precinct 2 in Midland County and urge others to do so as well.

Billy G. Gilbreath

Prude is a man of purpose, commitment

We have enjoyed a close friendship with Randy Prude and his family for over 25 years. We know the high standards Randy's parents set for him and the strength of character he developed through their example. It is these standards and strengths Randy will bring to the position of county commissioner Precinct 4.

Randy's dedication to God and his devotion to his wife Miriam and his two children Micah and Marissa make Randy Prude an outstanding man. It is these elements of dedication and devotion with which Randy will serve as county commissioner.

Randy is a man of purpose and commitment to his community as is evident by the civic and church work he has been involved in over the years. We believe that it is the elements of purpose and commitment, together with his high standards, his strength of character, his dedication to God and his family, and his vision that will make Randy Prude an excellent choice for county commissioner, Precinct 4!

Bill and Cherry Hill

Midland teachers deserve better pay

Thank you Midland school board members for recognizing Midland's need to raise our teachers' salaries. I believe it is not only a need, but a must. It is imperative that we remain competitive with other Texas cities, even if it costs us more out of our pockets. Our children deserve the very best and their teachers deserve to be paid what other teachers of similar credentials are paid, whether they live in Dallas, Hewlett-Bedford, or Midland. Which is more important, lower taxes or the children of Midland being educated by teachers who have the credentials to secure employment wherever they like, but choose Midland?

As a taxpayer I would much rather spend my money on teachers, and ultimately the children of Midland, rather than spending it on transporting our children to and from naturally integrated schools, for instance. That seems a terrible waste, especially when Midlanders have recently agreed to spend nearly $40 million making all of our elementary school facilities equally sufficient.

Amy Richards

Jobe readily did what needed to be done

I have known Keith Jobe for a number of years and he is the perfect man for county judge. Not only do I find him very honest but a man with great integrity. When Justice of the Peace Pine became ill, Jobe took over and never complained. He just did what had to be done.

Sonya Z. Scholl

Anderson will devote great energy to county

We are longtime Midlanders who are supporting Dianne Anderson for county judge. She is a committed conservative who will work within the budget to take care of the needs of our community. Dianne supports tough measures to reduce our juvenile crime and gang problem. She will devote her enormous energy to making Midland County government more efficient and ensuring a high quality of life for those of us who live here.

Joe and Jane Truss

Jackson finishes all of his undertakings

Among the several candidates for county commissioner Precinct 2, I feel we couldn't do better than to elect Bill Jackson.

Bill has the experience of a long-time businessman, an educator of our youth and an administrator for the school system. His understanding of the relationships between people, budgets, the need of highly qualified personnel to handle the day-to-day operations of our county government and a conservative use of our tax dollars make him a true asset to our county. I have personally known Bill for several years and can attest to his ability to follow through on any project he undertakes, regardless of the time or effort to complete his commitments. Please join me in electing Bill Jackson our county commissioner for Precinct 2.

Gary Teinert

Morrow has record of service to community

I have known Bill Morrow for many years. During these years, I have often wondered where he finds the time and energy to devote to his numerous civic activities. These activities usually find him in a major leadership role because of his drive and the recognition of other civic volunteers who work with him that he has so much to offer an organization. In addition to his many years of volunteer efforts in our local community, he also has gained valuable experience in governmental matters through his appointed service on a state of Texas commission and as an elected councilman on the Midland City Council.

Bill Morrow has a proven record of successful service to our community. His success in this area translates into a better community environment for all of us. We should help continue this success pattern in order to share in the benefits of the talent that he is offering to our community. Our vote for Bill Morrow as county judge on March 10 will do this and will assure us of a leader who is capable of dealing with the challenges of this important office in our county government.

Don R. Trott

Anderson has shown commitment to area

There is no Democratic candidate in the race for county judge; therefore, the voters will select their next county judge in the Republican primary on March 10. Dianne Anderson is best suited to serve as our next county judge. She founded and operated her own small business, so she has the management experience needed to run county government. As a long time civic volunteer, she has demonstrated her unselfish commitment to this community. Dianne is a bright, energetic leader who can take Midland County into the 21st century.

Don and Jill Umsted

Thanks for vote on transportation services

Midland Educators Association, Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Association would like to thank MISD board members for their 6-0 vote to keep the transportation services in the hands of the district. This thank you goes out to all the school board members and administration who spent immeasurable time researching, answering phone calls and listening to the citizens' concerns on this issue. Thank yous also go to the citizens of Midland County who stood with the bus drivers to let it be known that no company could do a better job than what is being done by the current MISD Transportation Department.

MEA President Elect
Shirley Howard

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Clinton, Republicans spar over why students lag

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — President Clinton described tests showing American high school students lagging behind those of other industrial nations as "a wake-up call on education." But Republicans blamed the disappointing results on a "hungry bureaucracy in Washington" that gobbles up education funds.

"A remote Washington bureaucracy, proposing one-size fits all prescriptions, can't possibly know what your school district needs," Rep. Joseph Pitts, R-Pa., said.

Both the president — here on a family skiing vacation — and the Republicans chose the same topic for their weekly Saturday radio sparring match: last week's release of international test results that showed American students underperforming those in most other industrial nations — mostly in Europe — in math and science.

"In a global economy that is increasingly powered by information and technology, this is a very sobering fact," Clinton said. "We need smaller classes, better teaching, higher standards, more discipline, greater accountability."

The president urged a renewed effort to boost classroom performance and called on all American parents to join by participating in the first national "Read America Day" Monday by reading out loud to their children and grandchildren.

In a dueling radio message, Republicans blamed the test results on Clinton administration policies and a "hungry bureaucracy in Washington" that gobbles up education funds.

"We need to turn back the authority and the dollars to the local level. We need to get dollars to the classroom," said Pitts.

Both men expressed disappointment over the results of the Third International Mathematics and Science Study.

It showed math scores of U.S. students were markedly lower than those of students in 14 other countries. In science scores, U.S. students were lower than students in 11 other countries.

"This week, America got a wake-up call on education," Clinton said in his broadcast.

"This concerns me greatly," Pitts said. "Even the brightest students in the United States scored lower than their counterparts in these other countries."

Education Secretary Richard Riley has blamed easy graduation requirements and a lack of teachers with college majors or minors in math and science.

He called on the Senate to pass the House-passed Reading Excellence Act, which modified Clinton's 1997 proposal to improve literacy in the early grades.

U.S. marshals seize most of 14-acre Hamilton estate

HAMILTON, Mass. (AP) — U.S. marshals on Saturday seized a 14-acre estate where a couple had been holed up in a fight over an unpaid $1.6 million bank loan, ending a nine-month standoff.

Marshals removed John Sweeney from the main house of the estate — where he had been barricaded since June — and took control of a 300-year-old cottage and a barn.

The estate once belonged to Sweeney's great-grandfather, who was a secretary of the Navy, postmaster general and an ambassador.

Sweeney and his wife, Rhetta, contend that they were misled by the bank that granted the original loan, and that the federal government does not have jurisdiction to foreclose on or seize the estate.

At one point, anti-government militia members allied themselves with the Sweeneys and patrolled the estate, 20 miles outside Boston and a few miles up the road from the fox-hunting and polo grounds of the Myopia Hunt Club.

Last week, Rhetta Sweeney slipped off the property and went to Washington where she lobbied lawmakers for help in the dispute. Instead, she was served with a court order barring her from returning to the estate.

That left her husband to defend the house alone.

"I'm unarmed, but I won't leave," he said by telephone Saturday.

Six or seven people who had been helping the Sweeneys left willingly on Saturday morning, according to Dunne.

Federal officials say the couple's defaulted 1987 bank loan eventually was taken over by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and that the government has owned the property since 1994. The government also said the Sweeneys owe $1.4 million in taxes.

Wal-Mart sued over supervisor's alleged blackface

SEATTLE (AP) — A black former Wal-Mart store worker is suing the discount store chain, claiming he was fired for protesting a white supervisor's appearance in blackface.

Wal-Mart defended the manager, saying he's a former Marine who was dressed in military fatigues and wore black face paint — like a "commando, GI Joe-type figure" — a few weeks before Halloween last year.

Adam Meadows was "trying to get everybody in the holiday spirit," said Betsy Reithemeyer, a spokeswoman for the Bentonville, Ark.-based company.

James Duncan, 25, a former sales associate at the Wal-Mart in suburban Renton, filed the lawsuit Friday, seeking damages of more than $100,000 for lost wages and emotional distress. The lawsuit alleges Duncan was fired after he questioned store management's handling of the Oct. 15 incident.

After lunch, Meadows came to work wearing what Wal-Mart described as a costume. Duncan's lawyer, Lois K. Meltzer, said Meadows wore ordinary clothes and blackface makeup.

"Duncan says it was done almost as if it were makeup, as if he were making himself up to look like a very dark African," Meltzer said. "It was not a casual camouflage job."

Company officials said Meadows took off the costume when he realized some people were offended. Meltzer conceded Meadows did remove the makeup after three or four hours.

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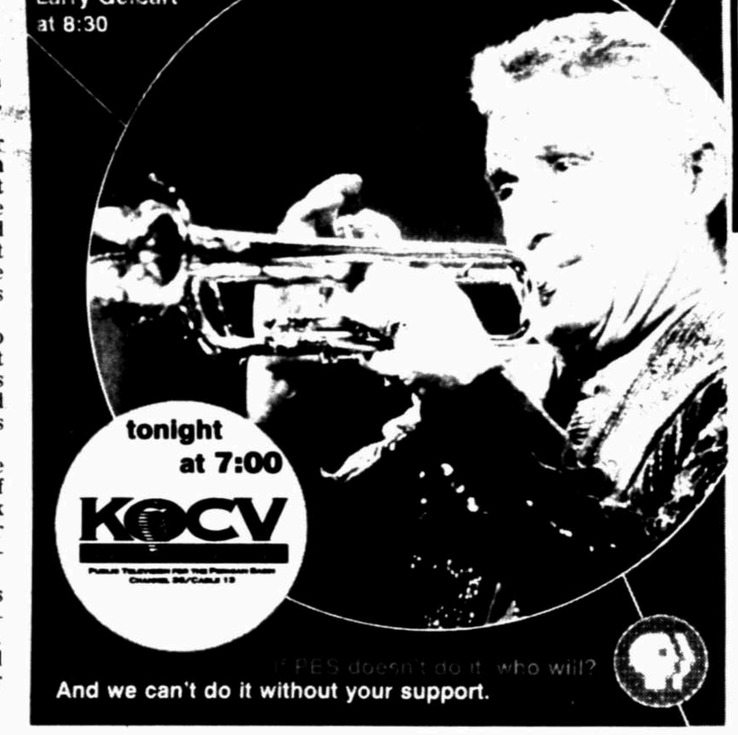
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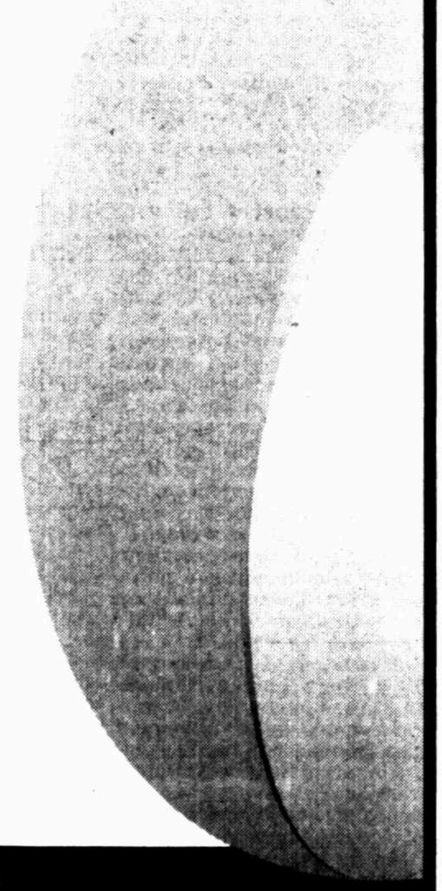
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Lions' pancakes

Midland Downtown Lions Club 42nd annual Pancake Jamboree is 7 a.m.-7 p.m. March 21 at the Club Activity Center, 200 Plaza St. Tickets for the all-you-can-eat meal are $4 for general admission and $6 for VIP seating. For more information call 682-1242.

DAR to meet

The Lt. William Brewer Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is to meet 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Midland Women's Club. The program is to be on the "Preservation and Renovations of the Jefferson Building, Library of Congress."

Doll artisan show

A showcase and competition by the Permian Basin Doll Artisan Organization is set for Friday through March 8 at Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites. It will be open to the public 9 a.m.-6 p.m. March 8. Tickets are $3 a person. For more information call 563-5557 or 563-3946.

Cancer meditation

A meditation program for cancer patients and their families is scheduled for 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday at the meditation room at Allison Cancer Center, 301 N. N St. For more information call 685-1559.

A&M Club meets

The local A&M Club is to meet 11:45 a.m. Friday at Furr's Cafeteria. The guest speaker, Dr. Ron Ingram, is to speak on "Vision without contacts or glasses." For more information call Clarence Chandler at 684-6373.

Support group

The Anderson Network Midland/Odessa Chapter Cancer Support Group is to meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Kingsway Senior Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. For more information call Grady and Alice Glen at 366-5273 or Phil and Gene Jones at 682-1040.

Fugitive dad fired

GALVESTON — A man who deserted his family in 1983 and began a new life in Galveston under an assumed name has been fired from his job as manager of a local radio station. Pat Welsh, who is jailed in Ohio on charges of failing to provide financial support to the two children he abandoned, was fired from KGBC-AM by two majority stockholders.

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Remember Waco

WACO — Five years after cattle trailers packed with federal agents circled the Central Texas compound of a little-known religious movement, "Remember Waco" is still a rallying cry for some.

"'It's like 'Remember the Alamo,'" said Mark Potok, editor of the Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Report.

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TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 560-2400, Category 7100.

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

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

Tall City Road Riders, 9 a.m., Warfield Truckstop, 682-9669, 687-5313.

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

SAA—Reflections, 550-1173. The meetings are closed.

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary Bingo, 3:30 p.m. 1406 E. Taylor St., (lic.: 1-51-0171588-4).

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

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

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Students saving for trip to Siberia

■ South Elementary students seeking donations to help fund trip to visit their Russian pen pals.

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

It's Russia or bust.

Thirteen South Elementary School sixth-graders and four adults are hoping Midlanders will support a $40,000 educational trip this summer to Nizhenvartovsk in western Siberia.

The South students hope to visit a group of pen pals in the Russian oil city and tour Moscow if the community supports their undertaking.

The students would be reciprocating a visit made to Midland by their 13 Russian pen pals.

The students from Nizhenvartovsk School No. 22 visited South in the fall as part of a cultural exchange program. The Russian students spent several weeks touring Midland and the state.

South parents hope their children get the chance to tour Moscow and Nizhenvartovsk. But it will take a lot more money than South and OXY USA — South's Partner in Education — can raise. The school received strong business support to bring the Russian students to Midland. They're hoping for similar support now.

Bob Rymal, a South parent, is heading up the fundraising efforts. He said the trip is a rare educational opportunity for the South students.

"Unless some of these students join the military or go into some type of government service, most of the kids will never travel outside the United States," he said.

It's a chance for the children to be exposed to the Russian culture, he said.

"Here is an opportunity to let these kids see a country that we used to be basically at war with — that is now in the process of trying to become more democratic," he said.

The trip overseas also may inspire the children to greater things, including career opportunities, he said.

"In my way of thinking, there's no way of telling where this may lead these students in the future," he said. "One or two of them may end up in the foreign service, one or two may become language experts."

Rae Hoffaker, South's principal, said a trip to Russia would be a "once in a lifetime" opportunity for the children.

"From my perspective, it's a perfect opportunity as a cultural experience," she said. "We've been able to get the boys and girls from Nizhenvartovsk to South and Midland. It's time for our boys and girls to go to Siberia."

Much of the $40,000 — $10,000 of which has already been raised — is for air fare to Russia and back for the Midlanders, who would be staying with Russian host families.

Four of the children who have been selected to go oversees are Michael Morgan, Jessie Hill, Monalisa Favila and David English.

Michael said he can't wait to visit his pen pals and tour the Russian cities.

"I want to look at all the historic sights," he said. "We'll see the cathedrals, the onion tops (tower spires)."

Michael and the 12 others are taking early-morning Russian lessons to prepare them for their trip.

Jessie said she's followed the Russian ballet and likes the animated movie, "Anastasia," which is based on the legend of a princess who supposedly survived the assassination of the last Russian ruling family.

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Teams sought for corporate spelling bee

Midland Need to Read is looking for two more teams to complete its line-up for the Midland Reporter-Telegram Corporate Spelling Bee for Literacy.

The ninth annual bee is scheduled for 11: 30 a.m. March 19 at Midland Center. Interested companies can contact Midland Need to Read at 685-4572.



A practice session is scheduled for Barnes & Noble 2 p.m. today.

Tickets for the bee are $12, which includes a catered lunch.

Bill Dingus will again emcee the competition and John Deats will again serve as pronouncer. Midland Need to Read is signing up three judges to officiate at the bee.

Twelve teams will compete in the spelling bee. Among those already signed up to compete are Arco Permian, Chevron, Conoco, Costilla Petroleum, Henry Petroleum, Midland College, Mobil Oil, NationsBank and Pioneer Natural Resources. Conoco is sponsoring two teams.

All proceeds, including entry fees, admission and audience participation, benefit the Midland Need to Read adult literacy program.

Events at the March 19 bee include a segment where audience members can, for $5, participate in a five-word spelling competition. There will also be a posted auction and chances for door prizes.

Entry fee for each three-member team is $500, which includes lunch and an official Bee for Literacy T-shirt.

All proceeds from the Midland Reporter-Telegram Corporate Spelling Bee for Literacy, including entry fees, admission and audience participation, benefit Midland Need to Read, a member of the United Way of Midland, that offers one-on-one tutoring to combat adult illiteracy. Midland Need to Read matches volunteers with adults seeking to improve their reading skills. The agency, which also offers several classes, has matched 163 volunteers and students.

In addition to underwriting the Corporate Spelling Bee, the Reporter-Telegram sponsors the Midland College team.



W.J. Rust talks to judges C.B. Wright, middle, and Scot Hubert, about the project, "Tornado 2000" he and fellow Midland High juniors, Laura Wiggins, Cameron Chisholm, Ryan Price and Ryan Duffey designed for the Texas Experimental Aeronautics Solution (TEXAS) West Texas regional competition Saturday.

Local physics students advance to state contest

Story by Richard Enos

Photo by Tim Fischer

There's nothing like a contest when it comes to fanning the creativity of young scientists.

Midland High School physics students recently demonstrated the amazing mechanics behind modern windmills with their own house fan-powered project.

The Physics I students built a wind turbine and generator to turn a bicycle wheel. A regional engineering contest required them to use slow speed winds from a box fan to power their invention.

They competed in the Texas Experimental Aeronautics Solution (TEXAS) West Texas regional competition Saturday at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin's Center for Energy and Economic Diversification. The MHS team automatically advanced to the state meet because the five other West Texas contestants did not show up. The state meet is scheduled for April in Austin.

The students' model demonstrates how to harness the wind generated by a box fan and boost it via a wind tunnel. The wind is boosted by the tunnel to turn a propeller and transfer power to an electric motor that turns a bicycle wheel.

Chuck Bell, chair of the MHS science department, said it's a real-world application beyond the classroom.

"It's a chance for them to take what they've learned in the classroom and apply it to a specific problem," he said. "How do you get a little bit of wind to do the work?"

The device is similar to many modern windmills, which are becoming an affordable way to generate electricity as opposed to fossil fuels, he said. The box fan only generates swirling winds at 3 to 4 miles per hour, which is often below natural wind speeds. The wind tunnel strengthens the winds to about 8 mph.

"The wind energy is becoming a pretty big market as oil prices go up and supplies decline," he said. "The (fan) size limits us and the speed of the wind was very difficult."

The students, all MHS juniors, said they have enjoyed putting together the

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GARY OTT

The times they have a-changed between 21 and 45

The middle-aged man looked at himself in the mirror and sort of grimaced at what he saw ... freshly cut hair, modest mustache, neatly trimmed beard. His clothes screamed out, MID-MANAGEMENT.



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The blue shirt was the button-down type that is worn by thousands of men in thousands of offices everyday. The tan necktie, which was just loose enough at the collar to allow comfortable breathing, was on the conservative side. The trousers were his favorite khakis, the ones that were just the right length and always held their crease. A pair of dark brown socks and tousled loafers completed his ensemble. He had already decided to forego the tweed jacket with elbow patches.

As he again gave himself the once-over he couldn't help but smirk. "My, haven't we changed?"

There was a time when he would have given huge odds that he would never look like this. Back then, his appearance rarely changed. Long, thick hair reaching down to his shoulders. Full beard and bushy mustache. Dark circles under bloodshot eyes. Assorted wrinkles showing early signs of development.

Likewise, he wore his clothes as though they were a time-honored uniform, never to be altered from one day to the next ... faded jeans, cowboy shirts with snap buttons, corduroy vest and scruffy boots with pointed toes. It was back when middle-class hippies were first discovering Willie Nelson music and western clothes ... and thought they were on the cutting edge.

He had been 21 years old at the time.

Now he was 45.

So when he took yet another glance at himself in the mirror, a vague sadness swept through his body. A part of him — a big chunk of his past, in fact — was gone. He would never be 21 again. No matter how hard he tried to turn back the clock, time marched on.

He ran the fingers of his left hand through his hair, letting the loose strands fall gently over the tops of his ears. Tilting his head slightly to the right, he silently cursed his receding hairline. He had never worried about such things before. Now they seemed of grave importance.

These melancholy moods were becoming increasingly common, especially when something — a particular song, a photograph, a childhood memory — would appear out of nowhere and jerk him back in time.

The most recent incident had been a televised interview with Peter Fonda in which the actor had reminisced about the movie, "Easy Rider." Like most people who grew up in the late 1960s, the middle-aged man had been deeply moved by that film, often dreaming of being on a motorcycle and crisscrossing the country in search of America. He never did it, of course, but the dream never died completely, either.

But now, as he looked at his reflection in the mirror, he knew that journey would never occur. There would be no motorcycle, no search for America, no sense of reckless freedom. All of that had faded away about the time he got married, took his first "real" job and started making large purchases with a credit card.

That reality — and the finality of it — made him even sadder. His shoulders slumped noticeably.

For a moment he tried to remember what it was like to be 21. But his mind wouldn't cooperate. It was all a blur. Too much time had passed.

So he took a deep breath, ran his fingers through his hair one more time and headed for his car. Once inside, he sighed and turned on the ignition. Glancing at himself in the rearview mirror, he slipped a cassette into the tape player.

It was "Bob Dylan's Greatest Hits." The first words he heard were, "The times they are a-changin' "

He could only smile and think, "Ain't it the truth? Ain't it the truth?"

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

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POLICE REPORTS

Road fatality

ODESSA — A Midland man died during predawn hours Saturday after sustaining serious injuries in a rollover.

Texas Department of Public Safety officers said the accident occurred at about 1:45 a.m. at mile marker 99 on Interstate Highway 20 in west Odessa.

The driver, 45-year-old Jesus Aranda, was westbound on the interstate when he drove off the right side of the road. He jerked his steering wheel to get back on the road, but his vehicle flipped over one time and landed upside down. It came to rest on the eastbound lane of I-20, officials said.

Aranda was pronounced dead at Odessa Medical Center Hospital. Troopers said that the man was not wearing a seat belt.

Midland Police Department
Friday

Criminal mischief: A glass door was broken at 1502 Club Drive. Cissy Valencia reported it at 4:06 p.m.

Burglary of a vehicle: A purse with $50 was taken from a car parked at 100 N. Mineola St. It was reported at 10:30 p.m.

Anyone having information concerning any of these reports should contact the Midland Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS or 1-800-LOCK-UP.

DEATH NOTICES

Harry Legendre

ABILENE — Harry E. Legendre, father of Midlanders John W. Legendre and Suzanne Conaway, died Friday, Feb. 27 at a hospital in Abilene.

Services are to be 10 a.m. Monday, March 2, at Elliot-Hamil Funeral Home of Memories in Abilene with Jerry Schwalb officiating. Burial is to follow at Elmwood Memorial Park under the direction of Elliot-Hamil Funeral Home.

He was born Aug., 10, 1910, near New Orleans, La.

He lived in West Texas and worked as a self-employed petroleum engineer until moving to Cross Plains in 1972. He moved to Abilene in 1991 and was an independent oil operator until his death.

Other survivors include his wife Vada Lee (Quillen) Legendre of Abilene; another daughter, Mar'-Sue Wilson of Shreveport, La.; two sisters, Gladys Martin of Oakdale, La., and Lillian Foret of Thibodaux, La.; 10 grandchildren and seven great- grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas, 79605.

Janet Houghtaling

Janet Houghtaling, 67, died Saturday, Feb. 28, in Midland.

Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

Man who deserted his family 15 years ago fired by radio station

GALVESTON (AP) — A man who deserted his family in 1983 and began a new life in Galveston under an assumed name has been fired from his job as manager of a local radio station.

Pat Welsh, who is jailed in Ohio on charges of failing to provide financial support to the two children he abandoned, was fired from KGBC-AM by two majority stockholders.

Welsh, 50, was arrested Jan. 30 after his ex-wife, Elizabeth Welsh of Newark, Ohio, discovered he had been living here for 15 years as Tim Kingsbury, a respected citizen and civic leader.

Mrs. Welsh had always believed her husband committed suicide because of his 1980 conviction for stealing money from Ohio State University, where he once worked as a fund-raiser.

When he disappeared, Welsh still owed restitution to the university.

Following Welsh's arrest, KGBC shareholder Vandy Anderson had said he would remain on the station payroll and be welcomed back to the community once his legal problems were resolved.

That all changed last week, when the station's two other shareholders said they decided to fire Welsh.

A.R. "Babe" Schwartz and Pete Miller, who each own 40 percent of the station's stock, contend Anderson was not upfront with them about the extent of Welsh's deception.

Schwartz said he and Miller learned in early 1996 that Welsh was living under an assumed name and was a fugitive in Ohio because of the restitution still owed to Ohio State.

However, he said they never knew about Welsh's family:

"After we learned of his double identity, Pete and I agreed that Tim could stay as station manager on the basis that he go back to Ohio and square away his probation and embezzlement problems," Schwartz said.

"We were never advised that he had abandoned children, and we both agree now that if we had known just that one ingredient of the whole situation, neither of us would have consented to his continued employment."

Schwartz said he and Miller also were not aware that Welsh was convicted in Galveston in December 1996 on a forgery charge for having a fake Wisconsin birth certificate.

Welsh pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to probation after agreeing to surrender all legal documents bearing the name Tim Kingsbury and contact the Social Security Administration to clear up any earning discrepancies.

Mrs. Welsh tracked down her exhusband after the Social Security Administration sent her a letter last year seeking repayment of money her sons had received for Welsh's death. Her sons were 8 and 10 when their father disappeared.

Anderson, whose sister lived with Welsh for more than 10 years, said he believes he told Schwartz and Miller about Welsh's 1996 conviction and the existence of his family.

Schwartz denied that, saying of Welsh, "He's not only a thief and a cheat, but a liar and a full-blown scoundrel. His wife and children deserve an apology from a lot of people, and I'm one of them."

PROJECT: Engine specialist helped students with design

(From 1B)

device over the last year. It has taught them teamwork and engineering and physics concepts as they devised an ideal model.

They put together the design at a mechanic shop owned by the father of W. J. Rust.

Laura Wiggins and the other students have been working on the project extensively over the last two months.

"(It's) getting to know everybody better — that was fun," she said. "I learned more about the motors and wind power, how generators work, what it takes to put everything together."

Cameron Chisolm said an engine specialist assisted the group with its design, which was allowed under the rules.

"He taught us basic aerodynamics, how to apply it to wind turbines and stuff like that," Chisolm said. "It was a lot of fun. I learned about designing something and building it. We were working with tools all the time. Just breaking stuff. We went through so many designs and went to the nth degree."

Rust said they work a lot in his dad's mechanic shop.

"We wanted to make the wind as straight as possible," he said. "We're maximizing every bit of wind. It's not as easy as it looks. Trial and error (along) with putting it in with some science, are some major factors in doing it."

Other students on the team are Ryan Duffey, Jeremy Turner, Clayton Vandergriff, Lynde Hedgepeth, Tom Elliott, Kevin Woolley, Josh Nash and Ryan Price.

Thank you, God, for letting everything turn out well for Oprah Winfrey. I lost my mother Friday, Feb. 13th, but continue to pray. It's impossible to trust God and not get results.
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OBITUARIES



Jackie Ray

Jackie Ray was born December 10, 1938, in Wichita Falls, Texas, to J.L. and Ruth Johnson Ray. He was raised in West Texas. After graduating from high school he began work in the oil fields of West Texas. He continued this line of work for several years. After he left the oil-field business he went to work with Town and Country food stores. He was employed with them for 13 years. He was a member of the Baptist church.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Julia Lynette Ray and his father, Red Ray.

Mr. Ray is survived by is wife, Paulette Ray of Midland; his daughters, Starla Prestidge and her husband, Garry, of Odessa, Kim Morris and her husband, Mark, of San Angelo, and Diana Ray of Odessa; his mother, Ruth Ray of Odessa; his brother, Kenneth Coleman of Kingsville; his grandchildren, B.J. and Brandon Verette of San Saba, Justin and Kysha Morris of San Angelo, Jennifer Ray of Midland and Meagan Ray of Odessa.

Jackie died at a local hospital Friday, Feb. 27, 1998, after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, March 2, at Alamo Heights Baptist Church with the Rev. Mark Riley officiating. Graveside services will be at 3:30 p.m. at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens in San Angelo. Ellis Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers will be Ronny Lipsey, Mark Morris, Danny Fulks, Johnnie Fulks, Don Seider and Toby Seider.

Honorary pallbearers will be Garry Prestidge and George Nesrsta.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Allison Permian Basin Cancer Therapy Center, 2200 W. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701.

Eula McFarlane

Eula Z. McFarlane was born April 11, 1908, in Tippah County, Mississippi, to James Conner and Birdie Montgomery Drewry. She was raised in Greenville, Texas, and attended school there. She and her husband, John McFarlane, moved to Midland in 1951. They had been married for 47 years, before his death this year. Mrs. McFarlane was a member of First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, on Feb. 11, 1998.

She is survived by her son, Jack W. McWhirter and his wife, Barbara; her granddaughter, Jan Fescenmeyer and her husband, Karl; her great-grandchildren, Megan and Brent Fescenmeyer, all of Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. McFarlane died at a local nursing home Thursday, Feb. 26, 1998.

Graveside services have been scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, March 1, in Herrington Land of Memories in Palestine, Texas, with the Rev. Wayne Hargraves officiating. Ellis Funeral Home is handling the arrangements. There was family visitation at Ellis Funeral Home from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

The family requests memorials to Mabee Health Care Center, c/o Manor Park, Inc., 2208 N. Loop 250 W, Midland, Texas 79707.



Marcia Martin

Services for Marcia Leona Martin, 24, of Midland, Texas, will be Tuesday, March 3, 1998, at 2 p.m. at Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel with the Rev. Steve Holstin of St. Mark's United Methodist Church and Robert Frazier of Valley View Baptist Church assisting. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home. Visitation is to be 6 p.m -7:30 p.m. today, March 1, 1998, at the funeral home.

Marcia died Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1998, in a house fire in Midland County along with her son, Brady Stephens, and daughter, Kristen Martin.

Marcia was born Jan. 6, 1974, in Andrews, Texas, to Marshall Ray Stephens and Mary Beth Kelso of Midland, Texas.

She was raised in Midland and attended Midland schools. She was a homemaker and was affiliated with the Baptist church.

Survivors include one daughter, Brittney Nicole Pool of Dallas; one brother, Stephen James Whipple of Midland; parents, Marshall Ray and Mary Stephens of Midland; grandparents, W.B. and Billie Stephens of Midland and Ruth Ray of Midland; several aunts and uncles and cousins.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Kelso, Bryan Todd Kelso, Jerry Junior Kelso, Charles Evens, Jim Kelso, Rick Craven, Steven Whipple, Audie Stephens, Les Kelso and Gerald Cox.



Brady Stephens

Services for Brady Stephens, 3, of Midland will be Tuesday, March 3, 1998, at 2 p.m. at Pipkin Funeral and Chapel with the Rev. Steve Holstin of St. Mark's United Methodist Church and Robert Frazier of Valley View Baptist Church assisting. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Visitation is to be 6 p.m -7:30 p.m. today, March 1, 1998, at the funeral home.

Brady died Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1998, in a house fire in Midland with his mother, Marcia Martin, and sister, Kristen Rea Martin.

Brady was born Dec. 20, 1994, in Midland to Marcia Martin.

Survivors include one sister, Brittney Nicole Pool of Dallas; grandparents, Marshall Ray and Mary Stephens and Buddy and Nancy Martin, all of Midland; great-grandparents, W.B. and Billie Stephens and Leon and Oleta Freeman, all of Midland; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Kelso, Bryan Todd Kelso, Jerry Junior Kelso, Charles Evens, Jim Kelso, Rick Craven, Steven Whipple, Audie Stephens, Les Kelso and Gerald Cox.



Kristen Martin

Services for Kristen Rea Martin, 20 months, of Midland, will be Tuesday, March 3, 1998, at 2 p.m. at Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel with the Rev. Steve Holstin of St. Mark's United Methodist Church officiating and Robert Frazier of Valley View Baptist Church assisting. Burial will be at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Visitation is to be 6 p.m -7:30 p.m. today, March 1, 1998, at the funeral home.

Kristen was born June 25, 1996, in Midland to Garland L. "Butch" Martin and Marcia Stephens of Midland. She was raised in Midland.

Kristen died Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1998, in a house fire in Midland County with her brother, Brady Stephens and mother, Marcia Martin.

Survivors include her father, Garland "Butch" Martin of Midland; one sister, Brittney Nicole Pool of Dallas; grandparents, Marshall Ray and Mary Stephens and Buddy and Nancy Martin, all of Midland; great-grandparents, W.B. and Billie Stephens and Leon and Oleta Greeman, all of Midland; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Kelso, Bryan Todd Kelso, Jerry Junior Kelso, Charles Evens, Jim Kelso, Rick Craven, Steven Whipple, Audie Stephens, Les Kelso and Gerald Cox.

Johnnie Tubbs

Former Midlander Johnnie Ray Tubbs, 86, of Lake Brownwood, Texas, passed away, Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1998.

Services were 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. L.P. Corwell officiating. Burial followed at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 17, 1912, to the late John Henry and Fannie Ray. She lived in Midland for many years before moving to Dallas in the late 1960s. She then moved to Lake Brownwood in 1984. She was a homemaker. She worked at John Accock Cleaners until 1967.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Charlie Ray.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Don and Sue Stewart of Dallas; a daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Allen Leonard of Brownwood; a son, Ernie Tubbs of Dallas; a son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Gayle Tubbs of Chowder; a son and daughter-in-law, Danny and Marie Tubbs of Longview; a daughter, Billy Gene Alegpense of Shaw, Mississippi; two sisters, Ruby Harmon of Midland and Gladys Boren of Cross Plains; three grandchildren, Kim Skaggs of Greenville, Mitchell Leonard and Kathy Hillhouse, both of Brownwood; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

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

Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 4:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

TRIP: Students excited at prospect of Siberia visit

(From 1B)

"I'm excited about it," Jessie said. "I know the ballet is gorgeous. I've seen some of it in ballets."

She wonders what it would be like to be Anastasia and be part of a royal family.

"I'd be weird. I'd have a lot of dogs, a lot of horses," she said. "I'd have to keep up with all the silverware. I'd feel kind of powerful."

David said he's learned that things have changed since the end of the Cold War in the 1980s and early 1990s. Once political foes, relations are now good between the United States and Russia. Visitors are free to travel to and from the former Soviet republic.

"It's just like if this had happened 20 years ago, we would not be able to come to Russia," he said. "We want to be ambassadors from the Permian Basin."

Monalisa said she'd like to see many of the homes and churches in Russia.

"They're supposed to have a lot of pretty churches," she said. "They're huge. I want to also taste their food and fish and caviar."

The trip is planned for between June 8 and June 24. The 20-hour flight would take the students from Midland to Houston to New York City; then from New York to Moscow and finally to the Nizhenvartovsk.

The other students selected for the trip are Kelli Dugan, Amanda Finkle, Carlos Garcia, James Glover, Brittney Ivy, Alisa King, Andrea Ripkey, Martha Rymal and Dustin Williford. Adults going are Carlos Garcia, Floyd Ivy, Susan Morgan and South teacher Kiersten Hollar.

Persons interested in contributing to the trip fund may write checks for the tax deductible donations to the Permian Basin Area Foundation. Donations should be mailed to South Elementary School, 200 W. Dakota Ave., Midland 79701, attention Rae Hoffaker.

CORRECTION

The following names were left out of last Sunday's thank you ad for the Midland County Livestock Association:

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Legally Speaking
by Alan G. Moravcik
Attorney at Law

THE CHARGE OF BATTERY

The intentional offense known as "battery" falls under the law of torts, which concerns itself with the wrong committed by one individual against another. Although battery is often paired in word with its infamous partner "assault", it differs substantially in deed. As exemplified by the threatening act of raising a fist, assault occurs when someone with the apparent ability to cause imminent bodily harm intentionally commits an act that threatens another. Battery, on the other hand, involves actually carrying out that threat without the other person's consent. It is up to the police to bring criminal action against someone who commits assault or battery, while those who are threatened or physically harmed may bring civil action.

In a criminal assault or battery case, the state brings the charges, not the victim. The victim needn't have an attorney, because the state tries the case. Indeed, if the state can prove the crime without the victim's help, it can charge the perpetrator and bring him/her to trial even if the victim chooses not to proceed. In a civil case, the victim, or plaintiff, must hire a lawyer to try the case, and the burden of proof rests with the victim and his/her attorney.

HINT: You have the right to sue anyone who causes you to experience severe emotional pain or discomfort.

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Danzig book profiles successful in effort to help readers discover 'the leader within'

By Peter M. Holt
San Antonio Express-News

■ Book review

Leaders lead by example, but they also learn by example, and that is what makes Robert J. Danzig's book, "The Leader Within You" (Lifetime Books, $21.95), so helpful and inspirational.

Danzig, who recently retired after 20 years as vice president and general manager of the Hearst Newspapers, is a leader himself, having had overall responsibility for the 19 dailies and weeklies in the Hearst chain. He now guides the Hearst Institute, which aims to make better leaders of Hearst senior managers.

In nearly 50 years as a journalist and a senior executive for a large national corporation, he has spent time with some of the most interesting people in the world, including an incredible cross-section of leaders.

Clearly, he learned by example, talking with those leaders and observing them in action to uncover their leadership qualities and philosophies. That personal exposure helped shape his own understanding of leadership and led him to the idea behind this book: that leadership powers are inherent in everyone. It's all about each of us recognizing and unlocking those powers within us.

As he states in the preface, "By spotlighting the leaders who have crossed my path, you, the reader, will be able to identify your most important leader — the leader within."

Danzig profiles more than 30 leaders, including an opera singer, a Cadillac salesman, a business executive, a 13-year-old boy and a Shakespearean scholar. Beverly Sills, Lee Iacocca and Wayne Huizenga are featured, as are Gen. Robert McDermott, Red McCombs, Herb Kelleher, Secretary of the Navy John Dalton and Hearst Corp. chief executive Frank A. Bennack Jr.

Danzig asks each of them to talk about how their leadership abilities and beliefs blossomed, and that makes for intriguing reading, and not a little introspection. Their backgrounds, their educational experience and their chosen fields are so varied.

Yet they share most or all of what Danzig calls the "Nine Powers of Leadership": quality, inspiration, innovation, perseverance, passion, character, charisma, energy and enthusiasm.

Danzig's nine powers of leadership make sense, and we have all known people who lead successfully by emphasizing these abilities. The point is that you can tap your own leadership powers, and Danzig's subjects help show the way.

One of my favorite chief executives is Jack Welch of General Electric, and he plays a prominent role in this book, under the heading of "The Power of Innovation."

"Control your own destiny or someone else will," Welch says, adding, "Change before you have to."

Those are lessons we at The Holt Companies (San Antonio-based firms that sell and lease heavy construction equipment) learned directly from Welch. His philosophy is reflected in one of our five core business values, which is to be "dynamic by pursuing strategic opportunities."

Then there is Phil Berman, who for 14 consecutive years was the number one Cadillac sales professional in the nation. The "power" exemplified by Berman is quality — in his case, quality of service. Danzig notes that Berman's "attitude of customer royalty produced his lifetime career in customer loyalty." In today's world, where many consumers are wary of all the talk about quality, Berman delivers quality service and that is what makes him a leader.

Former opera star Beverly Sills is profiled under the "Power of Charisma," TV executive Ted Turner under "Inspiration," violinist Itzhak Perlman under "Perseverance" (along with Lee Iacocca, who brought Chrysler back from a corporate near-death experience), and Florida Marlins owner and Blockbuster Entertainment executive, Wayne Huizenga under "Passion" ("I don't know about you or anyone else, but I can't sell what I don't believe in," he says).

In the "Inspiration" section, Navy Secretary Dalton says: "A leader is trusted. A leader takes the initiative. 'Carpe diem,' Latin for 'seize the day' has always been a fundamental tenet of leadership."

Those are actions that help inspire the troops, the work force, the PTA to greater creativity and higher levels of achievement.

Under the "Power of Energy and Enthusiasm" are two world-class examples: San Antonio auto dealer Red McCombs and Southwest Airlines' Herb Kelleher.

Danzig writes of the impact of Kelleher's boundless enthusiasm: "I have always been aware of the wonderful spirit of enthusiasm that permeates the airline and its employees. I'm now persuaded that spirit can be found in the personality, zest and enthusiasm of Herb Kelleher. One can hear his echo through his people."

Enthusiasm is contagious, and Herb's high-octane approach still pulls Southwest and its people to outrageous success for its passengers and, therefore, for its bottom line.

But in an energy and enthusiasm race, Herb would be tied with Red. Danzig notes, "Energy and enthusiasm pulse from Red McCombs like a skipping stone on a calm lake surface. He is an opportunity-stimulator, creating hundreds of jobs and careers for folks who have been embraced by his effervescing energy and enthusiasm."

And Red's energy and enthusiasm have also resulted in tremendous philanthropic contributions to the San Antonio community.

As powerful as these leadership qualities are, I fasten personally on "Character." At The Holt Companies, our number one core value is being ethical, which is defined simply by Holt employees as "doing the right thing." And when you do the right thing and do it well, you will be successful in virtually any endeavor.


Danzig

Robert J. Danzig is to sign copies of his book, "The Leader Within You" 2-3 p.m. Monday at Barnes and Noble.

In "Character" Danzig focuses on Gen. McDermott — "McD" — who is an extraordinary example of what character can achieve. Danzig writes: "Leaders do the right thing. They choose character. Leaders avoid the shortcuts where ethics are abbreviated. ... The leader provides example by continually demonstrating to his colleagues that there is a value system in place which attaches to the leader's stewardship."

All of that describes "McD." That was what his leadership at both the Air Force Academy and then at USAA, a large San Antonio insurance company catering to the military, was all about.

Danzig's "compleat" leader — one with all the leadership powers "within us" — is Frank Bennack, who started off as a classified ad salesman for the old San Antonio Light, became the youngest publisher of a major American newspaper and went on to head the entire Hearst Corporation. How was he able to journey down that road?

Danzig cites Bennack's "unique ability to stay with an issue and be intensely focused ... to be really riveted to the subject and stay the course until the issue is brought to a conclusion."

Personally, I'd add "Focus" as the 10th "Power of Leadership."

This book isn't long, it's an easy read, and there's a lot in it for all of us. Leaders and people who aspire to leadership spend time and effort learning about other leaders.

Despite the incredible variety of backgrounds and careers, the fact is that all the people Danzig has profiled decided that they wanted to become leaders. Then they spent time developing those skills and, most importantly, through a book like this one, they passed on what they learned to others, and that's a sure sign of leadership. The teacher always learns.

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Peter M. Holt is chief executive officer of the Holt Companies and chairman of the board of the San Antonio Spurs basketball team.

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I regret that you are being subjected to my opponent's half truths and innuendoes.

LET'S SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT!

I am a fiscally responsible conservative Republican - always have been - always will be. Like many Republicans, I'm torn between a much desired tax reduction and the desperate need to balance the Midland County General Budget and to stop the gush of red ink. During the 1996-97 budget study, I proposed to reduce the tax rate by 5% instead of 10% so that Midland County could have some tax reduction and still slow the flow of red ink. The other members of the court rejected my proposal and thus increased the county's budget deficit to $2 million dollars.

I am a staunch Republican conservative who is leading the fight to have a balanced budget for Midland County tax payers. Through my efforts and those of two members of the court, we were able to reduce the enormous budget deficit from $2 million dollars to $700,000 for this 1997-98 fiscal year. I will end Midland County's red ink without raising taxes by working with the members of the Commissioners Court to balance the budget and to get Midland County's debt paid off within 14 years.

I am not a politician! My conscience and personal integrity are more important than being politically correct. I am not voting like a liberal Democrat as my opponent charges! I have done a good job in helping Midland County live within its means. This will become evident in the future. We must get Midland County back on sound financial footing - or we risk becoming financially challenged like America was under the 40-year control of liberal democrats.

Respectfully,

James Brezina
County Commissioner Precinct 4

I ask for your continued support.

☑ Conservative Republicans: Dick Armey, Tom Delay and James Brezina all share the same philosophy of a balanced budget and a debt-free government.

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Renovated park to reopen for Texas Independence Day

WASHINGTON, Texas (AP) — A recent survey of visitors to Washington-on-the-Brazos State Park reveals few know it as the place where Texas became an independent nation 162 years ago.

"They thought it was just a pretty spot out in the country that had a nice picnic area," said park official Bill Irwin.

But Irwin and others are hoping to re-establish the park's stature as the "Birthplace of Texas" with this weekend's grand reopening and Independence Day celebration.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was scheduled Sunday for a new 10,000-square-foot visitor's center that serves as the cornerstone of a $6 million redevelopment project.

"We wanted all these Texans out here to realize how important this site is in their history," Irwin said.

The park is the site where, 162 years ago Monday, 59 delegates signed the Texas Declaration of Independence and formally severed ties with Mexico.

But few seem to know the significance of the park, which draws up to 70,000 visitors a year, compared with up to 3 million annually at the Alamo and 1.1 million last year at the San Jacinto battlefield.

"Washington is the forgotten' part of the revolution," said Lisa Kalmus, curator of education at the park's Star of the Republic Museum.

Park officials hope to change that with the new visitor's center and other renovations.

Improvements that began in 1996 include a gift shop, a high-tech orientation program and new exhibits on Texans who lived during the days of the revolution, republic and early statehood.

The park's road system and nature trials also have been revamped, and a replica of Republic of Texas President Anson Jones' farm should be completed next year.

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RELIGION IN BRIEF

World Day of Prayer

The local observance of World Day of Prayer is set for St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 1701 N. Main St., on Friday.

On that day, millions of people in 170 nations and islands will pause to pray in the largest grassroots, ecumenical, international worship service held worldwide.

The service begins at 10:30 a.m. A salad luncheon is set for 11:30 a.m. Child care will be provided.

This year's 111th annual World Day of Prayer was written by Christian women from Madagascar on the theme "Who is My Neighbor?"

The women of St. Mark's UMC will present and participate in the program. The meditation will be given by Jeannie Holston. A portion of the World Day of Prayer offerings will be given for projects in Madagascar.

Cowboy Church

The West Texas Cowboy Church will hold its first service at 10 a.m. March 8 at the Midland County Arena, 2445 E. Business Loop 20.

Leading the service will be the Rev. Monty Price of Iraan.

All are invited to attend the service.

For more information call Price, 1-915-392-2477, or the Rev. Steve Miller, 1-915-333-4652.

Outreach Aglow

BIG SPRING — The Big Spring Outreach Aglow will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Guest speaker will be Lee Rushing of Cross Point Ministries.

Refreshments, provided by Greenhouse restaurant at $1.25 a plate, will be served from 6:15 to 7 p.m.

A staffed nursery will be available at Miracle Revival Center, 600 E. Farm to Market 700.

For more information call Rhonda Harding, 1-915-965-3420, Brenda North, 1-915-267-3398, or Linda White, 1-915-263-5541.

Also, Cross Point Ministries will be coordinating a Spiritual Warfare and Spiritual Mapping Conference Friday and Saturday with special guests Alice and Eddie Smith of Houston.

Smith and his wife served for 16 years as itinerate evangelists. Smith then served in local church pastorates for 15 years. He is a member of the Mission America National Prayer Committee and now serves as the coordinator of the Pray USA! national prayer effort.

Mrs. Smith is a member of the Spiritual Warfare Network, editor of the PrayerNet newsletter and has recently authored the book, "Beyond the Veil: God's Call to Intimate Intercession," published by Regal Books.

The conference will be held here at the First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster.

For brochures and registration information call 1-800-569-4825 or 1-915-267-7015.

Prisoners' families

John Miller will be the guest speaker for the Loved Ones of Prisoners monthly support group meeting set for 7 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church.

The meeting will be held in the Old Parlor Room.

Miller is the community information officer for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Parole Division. He will speak on the criminal justice system and answer questions from the audience.

All are invited to attend.

Lenten services

Today marks the first Sunday of Lent, the 40-day season of preparation for Easter.

Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2800 W. Louisiana Ave., is offering Lenten worship at 7 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays and at 10:55 a.m. Sundays.

The Wednesday evening services are designed for children and adults. During Holy Week, April 5-11, the church will worship nightly.

Also, March 15, the congregation will gather for a Service for Wholeness at 7 p.m. This is a service of intercessory prayer and laying on of hands.

And, preschool and Mother's Day Out registration for current participants begins this week. Registration opens to the public March 16.

'Invite a Friend' day

Today is "Invite a Friend" day at several churches across Midland.

The Midland Association of Churches has invited participation in the city-wide project that encourages church members to bring to services today someone who is unaffiliated with any church.

Money management

"Managing Your Money Without Being Managed By It" begins Wednesday at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 N. Garfield St.

The class, taught by church member Kay Coffey, will study many of the biblical references pertaining to financial management. Basic personal budgeting and financial responsibility will be included with practice problems. The emphasis is on learning how to live, not just survive, within one's current income, worry and stress free.

Ms. Coffey has had several years experience counseling people on debt and financial management. Cost is $15 a person.

To register, call the church office, 684-6542, by Monday. The class will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Lenten prayers

First United Methodist associate pastor, the Rev. John Rech, is asking his congregation to instead of giving up something for Lent, to spend 40 consecutive days in "fervent prayer," today through April 9.

This time frame allows Midlanders to join the group Pray USA! as it focuses on praying for the church, local pastors and Christian leaders.

Pray USA!, led by Bill Bright of Campus Crusade for Christ and CBN founder Pat Robertson, is a 40-day fast and prayer for a spiritual revival in America.

PrayUSA! '98 is an initiative of Mission America, an association of more than 300 national Christian leaders who represent some 200,000 churches, denominations, parachurch ministries and ministry networks.

For more information about registering as a participant in PrayUSA! or to order a 40-day prayer calendar, call 1-888-327-8464.

Three Wednesdays in March, First UMC will offer special Wednesday Night Live classes: "Challenge Bible Study" led by the Rev. Molly Krueger, "Flower Arranging" led by Lexine Weaver, and "One Nighters" with David Cameron. This week, Cameron will focus on "Discover Your Spiritual Type."

In addition to Sunday worship services at First UMC, the church offers the Community of Joy, a contemporary Christian experience in a non-church setting at Cole Theatre, 2000 West Wadley Ave., at 10:35 a.m. Sundays.

Lenten services

Midland Lutheran Church, 2705 W. Michigan Ave., continues its Lenten services Wednesdays through Lent.

This year's theme is "The Body of Christ."

Before the service at 6 p.m. a meal will be served for a nominal amount in the Fellowship Hall.

The public is invited to attend. For more information call the church's pastor, the Rev. Glenn Kramer, 694-1373.

Grant received

Grace Lutheran Early Childhood Program has received a $375 grant from Aid Association for Lutherans.

The grant is designed to encourage the staff of Lutheran early childhood centers to pursue professional development opportunities and was provided to more than 4,000 Lutheran childhood centers through the AAL Lutheran Early Childhood Education Grant Program.

Since 1995, AAL has provided more than $4 million to Lutheran childhood centers across the country.

Gospel music

ODESSA — Southern Gospel Music Promotions presents the sixth annual Southwest Festival of Gospel Music 7 p.m. March 14 at Odessa College Coliseum.

The festival features The Brashears, the Toney Brothers, His Grace, Southern Charm and The Master's Touch.

Tickets are $8 in advance and $10 at the door. For more information call 1-915-334-0400.

Bible studies set

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 4501 Thomason Drive, is offering two studies on 1 Peter entitled "How to Stand Firm When Tested."

The Wednesday study begins at 6:30 and the Friday study at 9 a.m. This 13-week study is expected to be completed the last week in May. Interested parties may either take the Precept level or the easier In and Out level, which requires less homework.

To register call the church office, 694-2544, as soon as possible so that materials can be ordered. The workbook for the Precept level is $18 and the workbook for the In & Out level is $12.

CDC registration

First Baptist Child Development Center, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave., has started registration for the 1998-99 school year.

The CDC is for those children 3 years old by Sept. 1 through those in first grade. If needed, day care is provided for the children in the program.

For more information call 683-0638 or stop by between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Bible study groups

ODESSA — Beyond Choice Bible Study Groups are designed for those suffering post-abortion issues.

Confidential meetings for men and women are being held at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

For more information call Dot, 683-3775, or Kathy, 580-HELP.

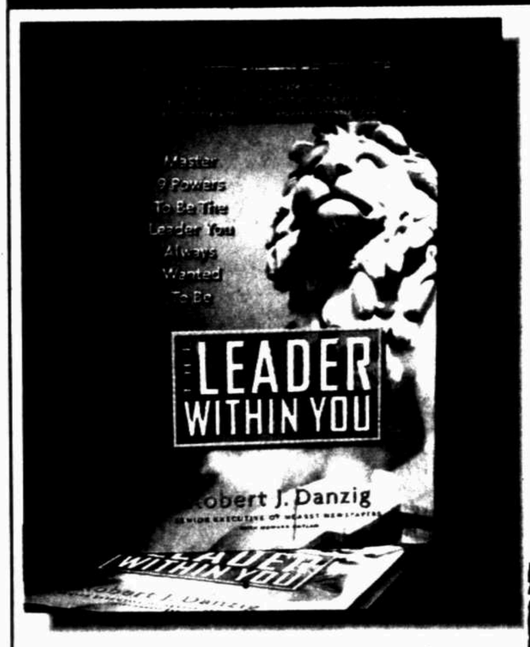
In-home ministry

Fourth Cross Ministry is a non-denominational, evangelical Christian ministry that is available for in-home ministering to individuals and families who find themselves unable to leave their homes.

"We can provide prayer for the sick and afflicted, administering of the Lord's Supper, anointing with oil for those so inclined, hospital visitation, spiritual assistance for all life's situations and a compassionate ear and loving heart," said the Rev. Neil B. Hollis.

Interested parties are asked to call 699-0682 to schedule a visit.

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Artist's Paint & Palette makes some appealing changes

Artist's Paint & Palette, Inc. has changed more than it's name. Formerly Paint & Palette, West Texas' oldest and largest art materials shop is under new ownership. After 25 years of business, they continue to carry one of the largest selections of art supplies in the Permian Basin.

Owner Tanza Brumfield describes several changes that have been made to better serve customers. They are phasing out a few older products and bringing in new merchandise for a wider selection. Artist's Paint & Palette, Inc. updates their art supplies to keep up with new techniques and trends. They also special order products for their customers on a regular basis.

Artist's Paint and Palette, Inc. focuses on higher quality products, such as Schmincke and Holbein, they also attempt to keep these high quality products reasonably priced for their customers. This includes oil paints, pastels, and watercolors. Artists' needing various types of brands of paints, pre-stretched canvases, or a wide selection of custom made canvases can find what they are looking for at Artist's Paint and Palette, Inc.

Besides a more expansive selection, other changes have been made. Business Manager Kiley Collins emphasizes that their products are now sold at more competitive prices. "Some customers who hadn't been in this store in years are surprised that our service and pricing have changed so much.

Another improvement has occurred in the framing department. "We have a much larger selection of frames at more reasonable prices," Collins said. New samples come in every few months. Anyone looking for a frame design to complement a particular piece of artwork will find the employees at Artist's Paint & Palette, Inc very helpful. They assist their customers in designing frames to enhance any artwork.

Because artists are not always adults, Artist's Paint & Palette, Inc. has expanded their selection of art supplies for children. They offer brushes, "draw" books, paints and different styles of art supply boxes to help keep supplies organized as well as good quality student grade mediums, including watercolors, pastels, acrylics, and certain sculpting materials.



Artist's Paint & Palette, West Texas' oldest and largest art materials shop, is under new ownership and has seen several changes.

Special emphasis is being made on children and their love of art. We want to encourage their art skills and let them express their individuality. Children's classes are offered Monday through Friday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. The classes are designed to enable the children to learn the basic principles of art including perspective, shapes and mixing colors. After they learn these principles, they can expand and develop in other areas, also expressing their individuality in different mediums.

Adult classes are offered as well, not only to professional artists, but to the novice or amateur who would like to discover the artist within. Professional artists including Betty Sue Rose, Lewis Holiman, and other offer a series of ongoing classes in such disciplines as oil painting, watercolor, drawing, acrylics and sculpting for all ages. Classes are scheduled during the day or evening in order to accommodate everyone's busy schedules.

Betty Sue Rose, the store's on-staff art teacher and sculptor, said that every artist is on a journey. "I try to help artists express themselves," Rose said. "I tell them to paint what they feel and that without feeling, art is dead," she said. She understands the need that all artists have to create something that wasn't there before, to produce something unique. "That's where individuality comes into the picture, we want the artist's piece to be an extension of the artists, with feeling and emotion," Rose stated.

Whether you are a proficient artist or know someone who enjoys art, Artist's Paint and Palette, Inc. is a great place to visit. The store has a pleasant atmosphere and offers one on one interaction with customers. You can feel comfortable asking their staff any questions. Rose further emphasized this by saying, "it's not what do you want, It's what can we do for you."

Realizing the rising costs of art supplies, Artist's Paint & Palette, Inc. offers discounts to students attending college, whether it's Midland College, U.T.P.B, or Odessa College. Discounts are also given to senior citizens.

Located at #20 Oak Ridge Square on the corner of Garfield and Wadley, Artist's Paint & palette, Inc. is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 10 p.m. to 4 p.m. "Come by to see us, we look forward to meeting the artist within us all!"

RELIGION IN BRIEF

Singles Bible study

The Single-Hearted Ministries, the single adult ministry at Kelview Heights Baptist Church, is studying a series of Bible study entitled "Stepping Through the Scriptures."

This study is a panoramic view of the Bible. Interested parties are asked to join the study meeting at 10 a.m. Sunday at the church, off North Big Spring Street at Scharbauer Drive.

Support group

A support group for widows and widowers meets at 3 p.m. Sundays at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5400 N. Big Spring St.

For more information call the church office, 570-8149, or Peggy, 694-7362.

Retreat planned

MERKEL — Camp Butman here will be the setting for the Discover God's Call Retreat April 3-5. The inspirational speaker will be the Rev. Edmund W. Robb Jr.

Robb is a ministerial member of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. He served as a pastor for more than 20 years and has been an evangelist for 28 years. As executive secretary of Ed Robb Evangelistic Association, he has traveled throughout the United states and to more than 40 countries around the world. He has preached on four continents.

In 1989, Robb was named to the Foundation for Evangelism's "Hall of Fame" as one of world Methodism's 40 distinguished evangelistic leaders of the past 40 years. Good News magazine named him one of the 10 who shaped the decade in United Methodism.

He has served on the executive committee of the Council on Evangelism and also as chairman of his Conference Board of Evangelism. In 1982, he was a delegate to the Oxford Institute on Methodist Theological Studies, Oxford, England, sponsored by the World Methodist Council.

Robb, married and the father of five children, is the co-author of "The Betrayal of the Church: Apostasy and Renewal in the mainline Denominations," a book that received the Golden Medallion award in the theology-doctrine category of the Evangelical Christian Publishers Association Awards.

For more information on the retreat call Sandra Keith, 1-806-795-0621 or 1-806-832-5602, or Debra Goss, registrar, 1-806-385-4877. Cost for first-time Discoverers is $135.

Local United Way to host state conference

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

The United Way of Midland will be host Monday through Wednesday to the annual staff conference of the Texas Association of United Ways. Approximately 150 United Way staff and volunteers from Texas and neighboring states are expected to attend.

Carl Zapora, executive director of the United Way of Midland, said that this is the first time both staff and volunteers will be attending a state conference. He noted that it is also the first time organizations outside the state have been invited.

He explained that the annual conference is a time for the various United Way organizations — each of which is independent and separately incorporated — to come together, compare notes about their individual operations and discuss ways to do their jobs better.

Bob Danzig, recently retired vice president and general manager of Hearst Newspapers and presently involved with the Hearst Institute, will be the keynote speaker at Monday's luncheon kicking off the convention.

Zapora said the conference will feature a variety of workshops that not only deal with specific United Way issues but corporate workshops designed to help staff and volunteers further develop their personal skills and organizational effectiveness.

Speakers include Claude Dollins, executive coach, Lubbock; Mark Voeller, chief executive, Dialog 2000, Dallas; Paul Geisel, University of Texas at Arlington; Sunshine Overkamp, National Council on Foundations, Washington, D.C.; Bob O'Connor and Kathleen Markey, both with United Way of America in Alexandria, Va.; Carol Stabler, The Meadows Foundation, Dallas; Tommy Duncan, Conoco Inc., Midland; Louise Cummins, Volunteer Center, Lubbock; Marilyn Morris, president, United Way of Texas, Lubbock; and Alice Thacker, South Central Region director, United Way of America, Dallas.

The final day of the meeting will consist of the annual meeting of the Texas Association of United Ways.

Zapora noted that Midland was awarded the convention two years ago. "We beat out Corpus Christi," he said proudly.



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Phase I of the Russian American Student Exchange Project between South Elementary School, Midland, Texas and Nizhenvartovsk School # 22 in Western Siberia is now complete. Phase I was a tremendous success culminating with the return of thirteen 10 and 11 year old Russian students to Nizhenvartovsk, Tyumen Region, Russia following a three week trip to Midland, Texas which included classes at South Elementary School, numerous cultural exchanges and tourism. We thank all our sponsors for the success of Phase I.

The cultural exchange actually began last spring with a pen pal program that continues to this day and for some, may last a lifetime. Texas welcomed our visitors from Siberia, and connected our culture with theirs. We toured Texas, and made new friends. The Russian visit added another dimension by establishing strong bonds between many of the host families and their guests. This brings us to phase two.

Now we want to reconnect and send students from South to Nizhenvartovsk and Moscow. Students are busy studying Russian, and raising money for the project. They have had their passport pictures made and are ready. They will tour for two weeks, staying with Russian families in Nizhenvartovsk and then spending a few days in Moscow. This exchange will build a deep understanding of different cultures and foster communications between two similar oil communities. This is beneficial for the entire community and adds to the economic development of Midland.

Phase II Description:

A two-week trip has been scheduled for June of this year. The plan is to send 14 students and 4 adults including a teacher from South Elementary School to Nizhenvartovsk to visit the Russian students. The purpose of Phase II is to further the cultural exchange, provide Russian language study, and provide for some tourism including Moscow and possibly St. Petersburg. Participants have already begun Russian language study in preparation for their trip. This is a tremendous opportunity for the American children as well as the Russian students, host families and both communities. The American student exchange will solidify a bond between the two cities already established by the commonality of prolific oil reservoirs; energy based economics, and similar business and population demographics. The Russian students captured our hearts and carried home the warmth of our community. Now the Russian community is poised to share the same warmth with our young and bright-eyed American representatives.

Current Needs

As in Phase I, the main barrier is funding. For this reason, we seek your help. Our goal is to fully fund this project. A fully funded project will insure that the participants are chosen on merit rather than economics. We do not yet have the funds to go forward with Phase II. The majority of the cost is for airfare. Tourism is also costly because Russia is one of the most costly places in the world to visit. This is primarily due to the early stages of a free market economy where they have too many dollars, chasing too few goods and services. For this reason, Phase II will require more funding than Phase I even though the number of participants and logistics are essentially the same. Estimated total cost of Phase II is $40,000.

To make a donation or inquire further, please contact Bob Rymal at 682-9944.
Any donations can be made to the Permian Basin Area Foundation, 550 West Texas Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701.

ARMED FORCES NEWS

Alonzo Brockington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brockington of Midland, has been selected as the U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas Sailor of the Year for 1997.

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David J. Mather, son of William and Suzanne Mather of Midland, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program on Feb. 11.

Mather will graduate from Coleman High School and is scheduled for enlistment in the regular Air Force on June 17.

Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six week basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, Mather is scheduled to receive technical training in the security career field.

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Navy **Petty Officer 3rd Class Matthew M. Mulllin**, son of Michael and Linda Mullin of Midland, has arrived in the Aribian Gulf aboard the amphibious transport dock USS Shreveport, part of the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group. President Clinton ordered the ARG to the area in response to rising tensions there.

Mullin is one of more than 1,300 sailors and Marines aboard the ship who will be called on to participate in any contingency operations that may be ordered.

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Marine **Pvt. Jayson L. Miller**, son of Milton and Elaine Miller of Crane, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

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Navy **Petty Officer 3rd Class Enrique Jaramillo**, son of Enrique and Alice Jaramillo of McCamey, recently completed a series of port visits while on a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian oceans, and the Arabian Gulf aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Peleliu.

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Marine **Pfc. Timothy S. Telck**, son of Alfonso and Karen Telck of Midland, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

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Navy **Petty Officer 2nd Class Scott F. Morrow**, son of William Morrow of Midland, recently departed the Arabian Gulf with Strike Fighter Squadron 147, embarked aboard the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz, the lead ship of the USS Nimitz Battle Group.

Morrow is one of more than 5,000 sailors and Marines aboard the carrier who participated in Operation Southern Watch, enforcing the no-fly zone over southern Iraq as mandated by U.N. resolutions after the 1991 Gulf War.

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Marine **Pvt. Jeffery Webb**, son of Martha McDaniel of Midland, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

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Navy **Petty Officer 3rd Class John A. Campos**, a 1991 graduate of Midland High School, is currently on a six-month deployment to the Arabian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

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Navy **Airman Gary P. Glover**, son of Delores Higginbotham of Midland, is currently on a six-month deployment to the Arabian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

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U.S. Army **Spec. Jonathan L Uranga** is serving a six-month assignment in Kuwait, Operation Southern Watch.



Uranga

Uranga is with Charlie Company 3rd of the 7th Infantry. He is the son of Micky Uranga and grandson of Joe and Lucy Uranga of Midland.

Figure skating sweetheart heads home

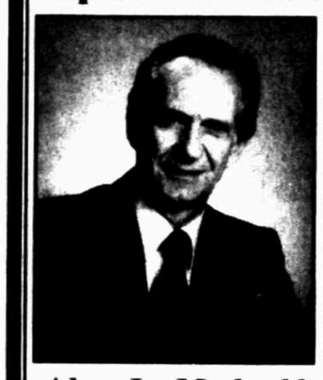
SUGAR LAND (AP) — She's done Letterman, she's done the Grammys. Now, gold medalist Tara Lipinski is coming home.

America's figure skating sweetheart was scheduled to arrive back in her hometown of Sugar Land Sunday afternoon — just in time for a parade in her honor.

The 15-year-old will ride in an antique open carriage down the streets of this Houston suburb with her parents, Jack and Pat, following. Other Olympic gold medalists have been invited to participate in the celebration, which begins at 2 p.m.

The parade, expected to last about 45 minutes, will include local high school bands, floats and mascots from Houston's professional sports teams. Sugar Land Mayor Dean Hrbacek and other local officials will address the crowd.

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Dallas attorney Manchee to sign copies of novels

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Variety is definitely the spice of life for William Manchee when it comes to his writing endeavors.

The Dallas attorney recently had his first two novels published and will be in Midland for a book signing 6-8 p.m. Monday at Hastings.

Speaking by phone from his Dallas office, Manchee explained that writing novels is something I've wanted to do in the back of my mind for years and years. But I had four kids to raise until a few years ago when I got them out of the house and I ran out of excuses."

Manchee's first novel is "Twice Tempted," a legal thriller regarding a young college student's struggle with temptation when faced with an open bank vault containing $6.7 million.

Film rights to the novel have been purchased by Golden Moon Films of Dallas, a production company owned by Walid Khaldi, former film archivist at Southern Methodist University.

"Khaldi has done mainly documentaries but wants to do feature films," Manchee said. "He's taken the rights to 'Twice Tempted' to be his first film and hopes to start filming this spring. Desert action scenes would be filmed in West Texas and the rest filmed here in Las Colinas."

His second novel, "Undaunted," is the first in a mystery series, Manchee said. It takes place in Virginia during the Vietnam War when a young Marine Corps recruit is charged with the murder of his drill sergeant.


Manchee

To be published later this year are "Brash Endeavor," a sequel to "Undaunted" and a political thriller, "In Search of a Virgin."

While Manchee admits he has drawn comparisons to famed novelist John Grisham, he said "I write for fun and I'm not quite as meticulous as he is. I'm probably more like Sidney Sheldon."

He was inspired to begin writing, he said, not only by some authors he represented in his legal practice but after seeing the movie, "The Shawshank Redemption," several years ago.

"I never read that much until recently. You read a lot in law practice," he explained. "I go to a lot of movies, but recently I've been reading a lot of books to check out different styles."

He has since developed a fondness for the writings of Dean Koonce and said that author Michael Crichton "is a person I'd like to emulate. I like his versatility and ability to do different genres. That's what I'm working toward."

Born in California and now living in Plano with his wife, Janet, Manchee graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1969 and began studying law at the University of San Diego School of Law. He briefly served with the Marine Corps, moved to Plano and completed his legal training at SMU.

"I enjoy the law," he said. "I enjoy the interesting and unusual situations we have to resolve. It's exciting and I'm never bored. It's a career where, if you work hard you can make a decent living."

He said that his oldest son has recently joined his law firm and his youngest child is a student at the SMU law school.

"Hopefully they can take over the practice and free me to do more writing," he said.

"Writing, for me, is a release," he observed. "It's a total break from what I do normally. I look forward to coming home and entering a completely different world."

Manchee's book signing in Midland is part of a seven-city book tour of Hastings stores in Central and West Texas. He said he enjoys meeting the public and especially the workers at the various book stores.

TOMCAT (UK) relocating United Kingdom offices

From Staff Reports

TOMCAT (UK) Ltd. has announced the relocation of its United Kingdom-based offices and production facilities to Bromborough, on the Wirral Peninsula, across the River Mersey from Liverpool, England.

After strong growth in 1997, TOMCAT has purchased a 15,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in the Croft Business Park. The location is in an area that is home to a growing number of multinational corporations that serve the European community, as well as in the heart of Europe's music industry.

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TOMCAT (UK) Ltd. was targeted by Wirrel Direct, the economic development arm of the regional government, to relocate its facility.

According to Robert Rendall, executive vice president, "The new location will enable TOMCAT (UK) to more than triple our production capacity and workforce in England and provide locally much of the support previously provided to the company by our Midland-based affiliate. The economic development agencies in the UK have been extremely helpful in assisting us in advance of our expansion and provide a win-win situation for TOMCAT (UK) and the Wirral."


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5 years after raid, no ceremonies, but Davidians go on

'Waco is the Alamo of the extremist, anti-government movement in this country.'
— Mark Potok, editor of Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Report

WACO (AP) — Five years ago, cattle trailers packed with federal agents circled the Central Texas compound of a little-known religious movement.

A bloody gunfight erupted on Feb. 28, 1993. Four agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and six Branch Davidians died on that gray Sunday.

Fifty-one days later, the government's siege ended with a fire that seared itself into the world's consciousness.

Cult leader David Koresh and about 80 followers fied in the flames that destroyed Mount Carmel.

Some survivors were convicted.

Government agents were criticized.

ATF Director Stephen Higgins was replaced. Dan Hartnett, associate director, and Dan Conroy, deputy associate director, resigned under pressure. The ATF fired the leaders of the raid, Houston Division Chief Phil Chojnacki and his deputy, Chuck Sarabyn. They were reinstated and reassigned after appealing their dismissals.

A scathing outside review of Mount Carmel labeled ATF's raid "tragically wrong," and accused the agency's leaders of lying to cover up its failure.

Five years later, "Remember Waco" is still a rallying cry.

After the bombings of abortion clinics in Birmingham and Atlanta, authorities received letters from a group called the Army of God that made references to Waco.

"It's like 'Remember the Alamo,'" said Mark Potok, editor of the Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Report.

"Waco is the Alamo of the extremist, anti-government movement in this country," Potok told the Waco Tribune-Herald. "And it will continue to be so. While there are lesser heroes, they're a lot less attractive than the women and children of Waco."

There will be no ceremony in Waco marking the five-year anniversary of Mount Carmel, even by the Branch Davidians, who focus more on April 19, the date of the fire.

Many surviving Davidians still live in Waco.

They retain the right to the property at Mount Carmel, where most of the rubble is gone.

It's a place to visit ... and a place to wait.

Davidians still expect Koresh will return for the survivors of his cult.

The dates he prophesied have past, but the Davidians trust God to return their prophet. "We're just waiting," Sheila Martin said. "God knows when the best time is. Eventually all will come to pass."

Mrs. Martin lost her husband, Waco attorney Wayne Martin, at Mount Carmel, along with three daughters and a son.

Mrs. Martin left Mount Carmel during the siege to care for those of her children who had left the compound. One of them was James, who suffered from numerous birth defects. He died unexpectedly two weeks ago. Her son's death has made it hard for Mrs. Martin to deal with the anniversary.

"For the last five years, I've been trying not to imagine the state my family was found in," she told the Tribune-Herald. "The last two weeks, knowing my little guy is gone, it's been like I'm trying to block too many things out. But at the same time, I have to have the faith that's brought me through all these years."

The Branch Davidians still gather weekly for church, held at their homes.

But services no longer last as long as 15 hours. And members no longer are awakened at 1 a.m. by their charismatic leader's demand for more Bible study.

With Koresh gone, the remaining Branch Davidians are left with a dogged determination to remain loyal to the man they devoted their lives to.

"We miss what we had very much," Sheila Martin said. "But we don't believe that God brought all this to pass for a few moments on the news."

A&M professor is indicted for misuse of funds

AUSTIN (AP) — A star computer science professor from Texas A&M University has been indicted on two felony charges of misusing government money.

Dhiraj Pradhan, 49, faces up to two years in jail and five years probation on each count if convicted.

The Brazos County grand jury charged Pradhan Thursday with misusing government money of "over $1,500 but under $20,000."

"Dr. Pradhan is not guilty. ... He hasn't misused any property or taken any money that didn't belong to him," said his attorney, Charles Orsburn of Houston.

A Texas A&M audit last fall accused Pradhan of filing false travel vouchers and withholding $100,000 from the school for a course he and others taught. Pradhan has been on administrative leave since August when the university began investigating the accusations.

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Georgetown at Syracuse, noon (joined in progress), CBS.
Southern Conference Tournament final, Appalachian State vs. Davidson, 11:30 a.m., ESPN.
Purdue at Michigan State, 1 p.m., CBS.
Ohio Valley Conference Tournament final, 1:30 p.m., ESPN.
Women, Conference USA Tournament semifinal, 1 p.m., FSN.
Conference USA Tournament semifinal, 3:30 p.m., FSN.
NBA — Utah Jazz at Houston Rockets, noon, NBC.
AUTO RACING — NASCAR Las Vegas 400, 1:30 p.m., ABC.
GOLF — PGA Nissan Open, final round, 3 p.m., CBS.
ABL PLAYOFFS — Long Beach at Portland, 6 p.m., FSN.
NHL — St. Louis Blues at Anaheim Mighty Ducks, 7 p.m., ESPN.

Texas Scores

NHL — Dallas Stars 4, Phoenix Coyotes 0.
NBA — Dallas Mavericks 103, Washington Wizards 77.
San Antonio Spurs 100, Philadelphia 76ers 88.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Men, Texas A&M 80, Baylor 75.
Oklahoma 89, Texas Tech 56.
Colorado 81, Texas 64.
Tulsa 79, SMU 70.
NC-Charlotte 105, Houston 75.
No. 15 TCU 86, Rice 73.
BYU 76, UTEP 75, 3OT.
Women, No. 6 Texas Tech 67, Kansas State 62.
No. 21 Stephen F. Austin 74, Sam Houston State 61.
WPHL — Odessa Jackalopes 3, Forth Worth Brahmas 2, shootout.
PREP SOFTBALL — West Texas Classic: Please see Page 4C.

Sports Today

AFLA FOOTBALL — Wichita Falls Drillers at Midland Colts, 12:30 p.m., Memorial Stadium.
Dallas Avengers at Midland Gunslingers, 3:30 p.m., Memorial Stadium.

District 7 Soccer

BOYS

	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
x-Abilene High	12	3	9	1
x-Midland Lee	14	4	8	1
San Angelo	15	2	7	2
Odessa Permian	13	7	5	5
Midland High	6	10	2	8
Odessa High	7	11	1	8
Abilene Cooper	2	11	1	8

Saturday's Games
San Angelo Central 2, Midland High 1 (4-2 shootout); Abilene High 3, Odessa High 2; Odessa Permian 3, Abilene Cooper 1. Midland Lee was open.
Thursday's Games
Midland Lee at Abilene High; Abilene Cooper at Midland High; Odessa High at San Angelo Central. Odessa Permian is open.

GIRLS

	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
x-Midland Lee	14	3	9	0
x-Midland High	16	3	8	2
San Angelo*	10	7	5	4
Abilene Cooper	8	7	5	4
Odessa Permian	10	7	3	7
Abilene High	7	10	2	8
Odessa High	2	14	1	8

*Record includes a tie
x-clinches a playoff spot.
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Midland High at Abilene Cooper; Abilene High at Midland Lee; San Angelo Central at Odessa High. Odessa Permian is open.

MHS playoff set

Pecos seems to be a home away from home for Midland High's basketball Bulldogs.
MHS, now 31-2 on the season, will meet 26-2 El Paso Hanks at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Pecos High School gym for their Class 5A region quarterfinal playoff.
Midland High owns a 2-0 record in Pecos, defeating El Paso Eastwood 95-68 on Friday in the area round. Hanks won a narrow 61-59 decision over District 4-5A's Abilene High Friday in Odessa.
Hanks and MHS have only four losses between them.

Region V tickets

The NJCAA Women's Region V basketball tournament is March 3-5 at Midland's Chaparral Center. Tournament passes are available at the Chap office for $10. There is no reserved seating available. Tickets will also be available at the door. Day passes will cost $5 and $3.

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New Texan edges Goodwin for gold

■ Lee senior ends high school swimming career with second-place finish in 100-yard backstroke.

By Mike Butts
MRT Correspondent

AUSTIN — If one less person had moved from Arkansas to Texas last year, Midland Lee's Amber Goodwin would have two gold medals in her collection instead of one.

But a certain Mary Beth Mounce migrated from the Ozarks to a Dallas suburb and inched out Goodwin for the state championship in the 100-yard backstroke Saturday in Austin.

Goodwin won the event last year without having to go against Mounce, a junior from Plano. After a second place 100 backstroke finish at the UIL state swimming and diving championships Saturday the Lee senior finishes her high school swimming career with three medals in the event, two silvers and a gold. She won the gold as a junior and the silver as a sophomore and a senior.

Goodwin finished eighth in her other event, the 50 freestyle. With the fourth best time in the backstroke in Friday's preliminaries, Goodwin was happy with the silver.

"I felt really good because I went under 57 (56.93) again and made my senior cut," Goodwin said. "This whole meet has been disappointing except for that race."

Goodwin had to overtake Cara Teague of Dulles Sugarland to finish second. She trailed Teague for much of the race but was never farther back then third. Midland Lee and Midland High coach Ted Carson said the Lady Rebel senior had some trouble with her turns, but overall swam a good race.

"I was pleased with that 56.9," Carson said. "She's back under that senior cut. That's a good, solid swim."

Goodwin came up a little short on her turns and had to make up the difference after every wall in the race.

"After every wall, she kept having to fight her way back," Carson said. "If she had put another half cycle

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Palo Duro dumps district foe, earns trip to Final Four

■ Lady Dons win most recent battle with 3-5A co-champion Lubbock Coronado.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

Guess what? District 3-5A was the winner of the Region I-5A Girls Basketball Tournament Saturday at Chaparral Center.

Amarillo Palo Duro defeated 3-5A running mate Lubbock Coronado 80-74 to earn its first Final Four berth in the history of the school and will travel to Austin next weekend for the state tournament.

These teams were knocking heads for the fourth time this year. Coronado had won two of the first three meetings, but the Lady Dons won the one that really counted.

"This still hasn't hit me, but the ultimate goal of any basketball team is to make it to the state tournament," said a relieved Palo Duro coach A.J. Johnson. "PD was a sleeping giant waiting to wake up and we just woke up."

And this outing had to be a nightmare for both teams since they were having to play in another roller-coaster thriller for the fourth time. In one of the meetings between the two teams, the Lady Dons had a huge lead, blew it and lost to Coronado. History was almost waiting to repeat itself.

PD rolled to a 16-point lead in the second quarter only to see that margin disappear with 1:45 left in the third quarter when the Lady Mustangs tied the score at 54. However, PD answered with two quick baskets and never really trailed in the game. Still, Coronado's frantic push left the PD players remembering times past.

"We had that (16-point) lead in the first half, but we sure didn't think we had the game in hand," Johnson said. "We were up by 17 to them once this year and lost by six. We knew this was going to be a marginal game."

PD senior Geronica Tucker, who has signed to play at UT San Antonio next year and scored 11 points in the game, said, "This was so scary. I don't think I have a stomach left. This is very special. When I was a freshman, this team was 0-12 in district play. And now we're going to Austin. It's called hard work."

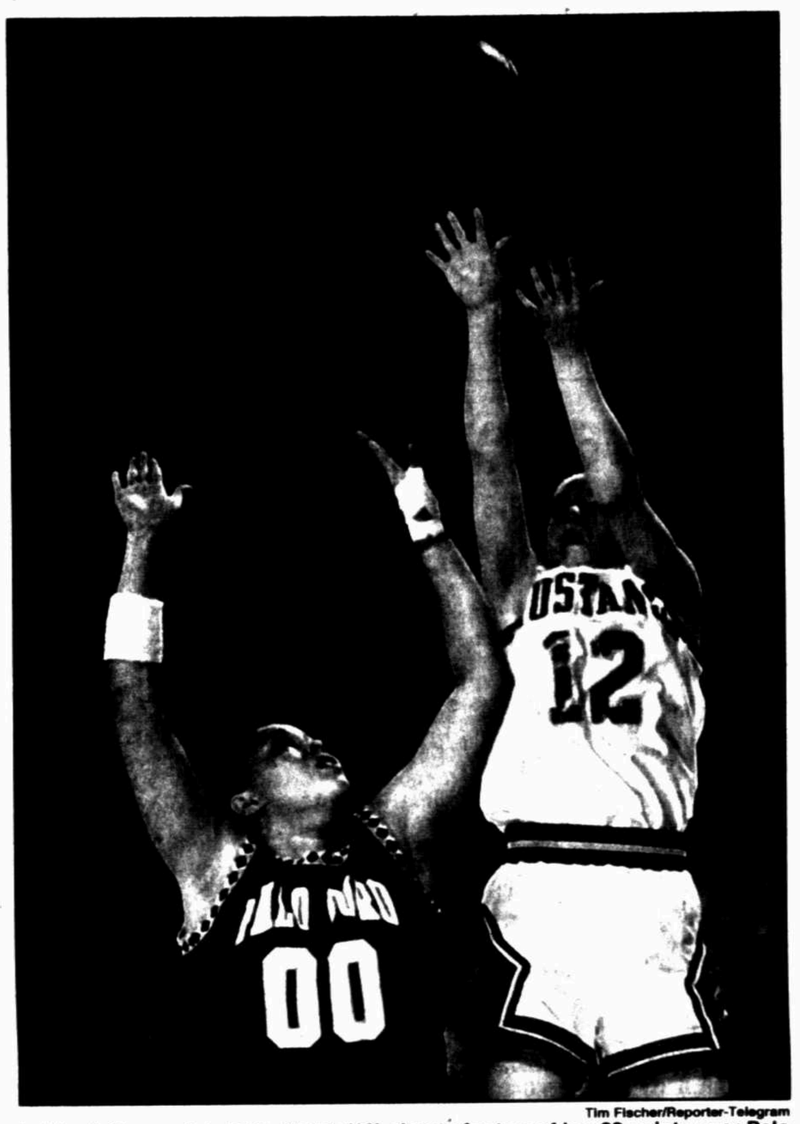
Sophomore Casey Jackson, who had 14 points, countered, "They had me worried, but we weren't going to give up for anything."

Coronado looked to be dead in the water in the first half, but sophomore Erika Valek scored 24 of her game-high 32 points in the second half as the Lady Mustangs once caught up, but could never grab a lead. Valek hit 14 of 21 shots from the field.

PD was led in scoring by Lakishia Harper, who had 19 points and Monica Trimble added 13 as four players scored in double figures. Valek was the only Lady Mustang to score in double digits.

Palo Duro heads to Austin with a 31-4

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Lubbock Coronado's Erika Valek (12) shoots for two of her 32 points over Palo Duro's Christie White (00). Valek had the big day, but Palo Duro won the game, 80-74, in the finals of the Region I-5A Tournament Saturday at Chaparral Center.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Midland High's Justin Booth, right, leaps to head the ball as San Angelo Central's Andy Montelongo watches. Central won in a shootout, 2-1, Saturday at MHS Soccer Field.

Central's shootout win keeps MHS frustrated

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

It's been simply a frustrating season for the Midland High Bulldog soccer team.

But at a time when other teams usually cash it in, the Bulldogs put up a strong defense in the second half against San Angelo Central, only to lose 2-1 (4-2 in shootout) Saturday afternoon at the Midland High soccer field.

"It frustrating that we're losing games where we played well enough to win," said MHS coach Tom Esikhati. "The boys played well today, we just didn't finish. It's hard because the whole season has been this way. There hasn't been one game that's been easy for us. The whole season has been a tough one."

"Midland High is a good team," said Central coach Jimmy Powell. "They're a thousand times better than their record indicates. They've had some bad luck this year and things just haven't gone their way. I knew they would come

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Semi-pro football teams kick off season at home

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Midland is going to get a heavy dose of some spring football.

Beginning with the Midland Colts against the Wichita Falls Drillers at 12:30 p.m. today and then with the Midland Gunslingers against the Dallas Avengers at 3:30 p.m., a second season of semi-pro football in the Tall City gets underway with a doubleheader at Memorial Stadium.

Both teams are kicking off their first year in the Amateur Football League of America based out of Oklahoma

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Richland repeats at Classic

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

For two years, the Richland softball team has been invited to the West Texas Classic and both years walked home with the title.

Too much West Texas hospitality? Not quite.

Saturday, Richland Hills' Lady Rebels defeated West Texas' marquee team over the past three years, the Midland Lee Lady Rebels, twice, including a 4-3 win in the Division I championship game to take another piece of hardware back to the Metroplex.

"We wanted to go to the tournament and leave with a clean sweep, just like last year," Richland third baseman Jessica Roberts said.

In doing so, Richland upheld the tradition of strong play from teams from the Metroplex, which includes powers like two-time region champion Keller and Haltom.

"When we come out here, to the other teams it is like 'wow, that's Richland'," Roberts said. "We have to uphold the reputation."

They did so again without dropping a game. Like last year, Richland went 5-0. On Saturday, it was a case of pulling out a win two times when it had to.

In the first game, the winners' bracket final between Midland Lee and Richland, Richland's Rebels found themselves in an early 2-1 hole but got the big hit early on to send the game in their favor. In the second inning, Roberts, a left-handed hitter, took a pitch from Andrea Rodriguez and pulled it down the right field line and into the corner.

Lee had Roberts shifted around toward left field. The triple brought in three and gave Richland a 4-2 lead. It was a lead which staff ace Lindsay Wilhelmsen protected the rest of the way allowing just one more run as Richland won 9-3.

The win gave Richland a luxury of a one-game cushion later in the day. To a team like Richland that was enough.

"We are confident but not so overconfident that we are cocky," Roberts said. "When you are cocky that comes back to hurt you."

Again, the team's confidence came through in the championship game. Lee had just defeated the sur-

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Lee's Sarah Dzubinski slides into third base but is forced out by Richland's Jessica Roberts (14). Richland beat Lee twice Saturday and won the West Texas Classic.

Lee slips to 7th place in Tall City

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

The conditions were favorable, with almost zero wind and on a course that was considered hospitable to good scores. So what happened?

After a tumultuous opening round Friday at the Midland Country Club where only one player broke par, the Tall City Invitational moved Saturday to Hogan Park Golf Course and a more wide open layout. From the looks of several of the scores, though, the change in courses made little difference.

While some players stepped forward with solid rounds, only one player broke 75 in the final round. So handcuffed did the rest of the field appear that Abilene Cooper's Clint Wellhausen, the first round leader, was able to shoot an 80 and still win the individual title of the tournament by one stroke with a two-day total of 150.

Not so fortunate in the team standings was Midland Lee. The Rebels took a narrow two-stroke lead into the last round, a less than comfortable margin as it turned out. Lee shot a 325 Saturday to finish at 638, in seventh place 12 strokes behind San Angelo Central, which won the tournament for the third straight year.

"You're dealing with 16 and 17 year-olds and they're going to make some mistakes," said Lee coach Bobby Dunn in explaining his team's fall off from Friday. "They'll hit some good shots but they'll also hit some bad ones."

Lee didn't make quite enough good shots at Hogan. The best hope the Rebels had of medaling, junior Thomas Freeman, who shot 75 on Friday, ballooned to an 86 on Saturday, falling out of contention with a rough front nine.

The bright individual spot for Lee came from No. 4 player Daniel Pender, who shot 76-79 — 155 and was one of four players tied for sixth place.

Finishing one spot behind Lee in eighth was Midland High with a

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Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram
Midland High's Matthew Gerhard lines up a putt during the Tall City Invitational, which concluded Saturday at Hogan Park.

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6th-ranked Lady Raiders fight past Kansas State

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Sixth-ranked Texas Tech is taking nothing for granted.

The Red Raiders held on for a 67-62 win over Kansas State on Saturday in an unexpectedly tough game.

Next up is the Big 12 tournament in Kansas City, beginning Tuesday.

"We need to play well throughout to make it through the NCAA's," said Tech coach Marsha Sharp. "The Big 12 tournament is important to see how we play."

Brit Jacobson of Kansas State had 10 points in her last regular-season game to go over 1,500 points in her career.

"I am sad, but happy. It was great to play Texas Tech the way we did today," Jacobson said after the Wildcats led 39-35 at the half before losing their shooting touch in the second half.

"I feel good about it. Coming into the game, I knew I was going to be emotional and I was."

Alicia Thompson scored 27 points to lead the Red Raiders.

Thompson had nine rebounds for Tech (22-4, 15-1), and Angie Braziel scored 22 points for Tech.

Kansas State (10-16, 4-12) shot 65 percent in the first half to take the lead, but made just 29 percent of its field goal attempts in the second half.

The Wildcats were just 1-of-9 on 3-point shots in the second half.

Kansas State started the game on an 11-0 run. The Wildcats were within 65-62 with 11 seconds left, but Kim Woodlee missed an off-balance 3-point shot. Tech's Melinda Schmucker then made two free throws to put the game away.

The Wildcats had started the game in a full-court press.

"I thought we had to mix it in and out because you can only contain Thompson and Braziel for so long," Patterson said. "It rattled them just enough and took them off beat just enough."

The Red Raiders had 10 turnovers in the first half.

"Give K-State credit — they came out and played well," Sharp said. "They did some things that show they deserve to be in the league. We just battled our way back to pull out a win."

Angie Finkes scored 23 points to lead Kansas State.

"Today we went toe-to-toe with the No. 1 team in the league," Finkes said. "Now going into the Big 12 tournament, we feel we are ready to play anybody."

Jacobson had seven rebounds and nine assists in the game.

"The first half was as good as we have played," said Wildcats coach Deb Patterson. "It is refreshing because we played with intensity and focus. It is encouraging to head into the Big 12 tournament on this note."

No. 15 Texas Christian rips Rice, 86-73

Associated Press

■ Texas College Men

HOUSTON — Lee Nailon scored 25 points as No. 15 Texas Christian won its 15th consecutive game, defeating Rice 86-73 Saturday and becoming the first team in Western Athletic Conference history to go undefeated in conference play.

Mike Jones added 18 points as the Horned Frogs, champions of the WAC Pacific Division, improved to 26-4 overall and 14-0 in conference. They have not lost since Jan. 5.

Jarvis Kelley Sanni scored 10 points as the Owls (6-22, 3-11) used a 19-6 run to cut TCU's lead to 70-67 with 5:03 to play.

But Jones started a 9-2 run with a 3-pointer, and the Horned Frogs hit eight straight free throws in the final 3:35 to clinch the victory. Nailon added a 3-pointer from midcourt at the buzzer.

Kelley Sanni's 28 points were a career-high for Rice. Alex Bougaeieff with 12 points and Josh Stringer with 10 were the only other Owls in double figures. Malcolm Johnson finished with 15 points and seven rebounds for TCU.

The Horned Frogs, led by Johnson's eight points, raced to a 20-7 lead before the game was six minutes old. Kelley Sanni responded with 10 points in a seven-minute span as the Owls trimmed TCU's lead to 26-19 with 8:42 to play in the half.

Oklahoma 89, Texas Tech 56

LUBBOCK — Corey Brewer scored 21 of his 25 points in a second-half eruption that propelled Oklahoma to a victory over Texas Tech, the worst home loss in Red Raider history.

Brewer sank three 3-pointers and scored 18 points in a six-minute span early in the second period, turning a close game into a rout for the Sooners (20-9, 11-5 Big 12).

Oklahoma scored seven points in seven seconds midway through the half to put away Tech (13-13, 7-9). Raiders coach James Dickey sparked the play with a technical foul for protesting a three-shot personal foul.

After the Sooners' Michael Johnson made two free throws, Brewer followed with two technical shots. Oklahoma retained possession because of Dickey's sideline outburst, and Brewer nailed a 3-pointer.

Colorado 81, Texas 64

AUSTIN — Kenny Price scored 28 points, including eight 3-pointers, as Colorado overcame a 12-point first-half deficit and defeated Texas.

The Buffaloes (13-13, 7-9 Big 12) snapped a four-game losing streak while sending Texas (12-16, 6-10) to its sixth loss this season in which the Longhorns squandered a double-digit lead.

Both teams now head to the Big 12 Tournament next weekend in Kansas City, Mo.

Colorado will be either the eighth or ninth seed, while Texas will be either the 10th or 11th seed.

The victory means that Colorado will likely face top-seeded Kansas in a second-round tournament game if it wins in the first round. The loss may have actually helped Texas by pushing the Longhorns out of Kansas' half of the draw and into No. 2 seeded Oklahoma State's bracket.

Texas got strong early inside play from Chris Mihm, who led the Longhorns with 20 points, 10 rebounds and six blocks, and led 24-12 after a 3-pointer by Kris Clack with 10:28 left in the first half.

But Price hit three 3-pointers in the first half and Colorado tightened up its defensive pressure, opening up a 17-2 run ignited by six straight points from Jamahl Mosley.

Texas A&M 80, Baylor 75

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Michael Schmidt scored 26 points as Texas A&M beat Baylor, ending the Aggies' 16-game losing streak and 44 years of basketball in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Schmidt hit five of 10 from 3-point range for A&M, which begins play next season in the $36 million, 12,500-seat Reed Arena.

Baylor had a 46-41 lead at the half, but Schmidt hit a free throw with 9:52 remaining to tie the game for A&M at 59-59. A field goal by Steve Houston gave the Aggies the lead, which they held for the final five minutes.

Shanne Jones had 20 points for A&M (7-19, 1-15 Big 12). Houston had 16 and Aaron Jack 12.

Tulsa 79, SMU 70

TULSA, Okla. — Tulsa squandered most of a 21-point lead before hanging on down the stretch to defeat Southern Methodist.

The victory clinched the third seed behind Texas Christian and Fresno State in the Western Athletic Conference Pacific Division for the Golden Hurricane (18-11, 9-5 WAC).

Southern Methodist (17-9, 6-8) trailed 64-42 with 7:39 to play, but clawed back with a half-court trapping defense and inspired play by freshman Jeryl Sasser, who led all scorers with 28 points.

N.C.-Charlotte 105, Houston 75

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Demarco Johnson scored 27 points and grabbed nine rebounds to lead North Carolina Charlotte, which used a second-half surge to overpower Houston.

The win means N.C. Charlotte (17-9, 13-3) wrapped up the second seed in the Conference USA tournament to be held in Cincinnati next week. Houston (9-19, 2-14) finished eleventh in the 12 team conference.

Duke rallies to protect top ranking vs. Heels

By Jim O'Connell
AP Basketball Writer

DURHAM, N.C. — It was almost enough to put some doubt in the minds of the Cameron Crazies. Almost.

Top-ranked Duke was down big — again — to No. 3 North Carolina, only this time it was at home and a loss would mean a season sweep for its archrival and sharing the Atlantic Coast Conference regular-season title.

Then came a closing run even more impressive than the one in North Carolina's victory earlier in the month. The Blue Devils held North Carolina to two field goals over the final 11 1/2 minutes to wipe out a 17-point deficit and win 77-75 Saturday.

"The last 11 1/2 minutes were the best, at least for us," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "All I did was ask our players to be themselves throughout the game. Our man-to-man defense was terrific."

It had to be because the Tar Heels, who won the first meeting 97-73 by closing the game with a 24-4 run, were up 64-47 when Antawn Jamison scored down low with 11:41 to play. Those were the last of his 23 points, and North Carolina managed just two more field goals.

There also was some solid offense by the Blue Devils, who scored on all but two of their last 12 possessions, getting the ball inside to freshman Elton Brand. He didn't play in the first game between the schools eight miles apart because of a broken foot.

"It was a helpless feeling watching that first game," said Brand, who finished with 16 points — 13 in the second half — on 6-of-7 shooting. "I just wanted to let them know I was there. Maybe move them a step away offensively and intimidate them some defensively."

The Blue Devils (27-2, 15-1) were still trailing 68-57 with 8:12 left.

"The game is 40 minutes, and we know if everybody goes hard for 40 minutes we have a chance to be there at the end," said Duke Point guard Steve Wojciechowski.

Trajan Langdon's jumper with 8:02 left brought the Blue Devils within 68-59, the first time the lead was less than double figures since there was 18:25 left in the game. Brand, playing in his third game since returning from the injury, scored twice down low.

After two North Carolina free throws, William Avery, another member of Duke's heralded freshman class, hit a 3-pointer with 5:58 left to make it 70-66.

Duke continued its near-perfect close as the Tar Heels (27-3, 13-3) struggled with an uncharacteristic five turnovers in the final seven minutes, and the raucous sellout crowd of 9,314 at Cameron Indoor Stadium became a factor.

Mavs whip Wizards

Associated Press

■ Texas NBA

WASHINGTON — Michael Finley scored 27 points and A.C. Green had a season-high 25 points and 11 rebounds as the Dallas Mavericks shocked the Washington Wizards 103-77 Saturday.

Dallas, improving its second-worst record in the league to 11-46, handed Washington its worst defeat of the season. The Wizards' previous biggest loss was a 22-point loss to New York in November.

Rod Strickland led the Wizards with 27 points and nine assists, but Washington couldn't overcome a season-low 34.6 percent (28-for-81) shooting from the field.

Cedric Ceballos, making his first start since being traded to the Mavericks from Phoenix on Feb. 18, had 21 points and 10 rebounds.

Green, playing all 48 minutes, extended his NBA-record consecutive game streak to 953.

Spurs 100, 76ers 88

SAN ANTONIO — Avery Johnson scored 18 of his 20 points in the second half as the San Antonio Spurs rallied from a 10-point halftime deficit for a victory over the Philadelphia 76ers.

Johnson and Tim Duncan, who had 27 points and 17 rebounds, helped make up for the limited playing time of David Robinson. The All-Star center missed the previous six games with a right knee injury and played just 24 minutes against the Sixers, finishing with 17 points and had eight rebounds.

Philadelphia was led by Derrick Coleman with 35 points and Allen Iverson with 19. The Sixers led 53-43 at the half and were up 61-56 with 6:27 left in the third period when Iverson left the game after being hit with an inadvertent elbow by Johnson.

MHS girls clinch soccer playoff spot

Staff Report

SAN ANGELO — The Midland High girls soccer team defeated San Angelo Central 3-2 Saturday to grab a spot in the upcoming UIL playoffs.

Midland High (16-3 overall) expanded its second-place lead in District 7, improving to 8-2 in loop play. That puts the defending district champions two games ahead of the Lady Bobcats (10-7, 5-4) in the loss column. Cooper also won Saturday to also move to 5-4 in district play.

However, Cooper and Central still have to play, so one of those teams will have five losses and MHS, which has just two games left, can finish with four at the most.

"That's good," Scott Hodkinson said of hearing the news of the playoff berth. "Really Thursday (at Abilene Cooper) is the one,which we are talking about. I said if we win we can lock second place and we are gearing for that one."

Saturday, MHS was playing without two players, Melinda Baca and Jill Knottek, who are out for the season with injuries. They were also missing Kim Elger and Tiffany Barden, who were taking the TASP test on Saturday. However, things went well offensively. MHS outshot Central 9-4 again found the net.

In the 10th minute, just seconds after Central's Kendra Speciale scored to give Central a 1-0 lead, Jodie Mitchell hit a cross which Shelby Berry put in the Central net.

In the 45th minute, Carin Vadala made another Mitchell pass pay off with a nice header from a Mitchell corner kick. It was the second game in which both Berry and Vadala scored for MHS.

In the 62nd minute, Mitchell took over the scoring honors as she recevied a through pass from Kristen Gassiot and scored her 16th goal of the season.

"It was a good team effort," Hodkinson said. "We were missing a few people and we had a few step up and contribute."

The surpirse of the game might have come from Central, which scored two times. In the previous four games, Central didn't score one goal in regulation.

SCORING RACE: With one goal and two assists on Saturday, Midland High's Mitchell takes over the scoring district scoring lead from Ritha Belizaire. Mitchell has 16 goals and eight assists (40 points) while Belizaire has 17 goals and four assists (38 points).

IN JV ACTION: The MHS lost its first game of the season 3-1 to Central. MHS is now 10-1. No goal scorer was reported.

SOCCER: Central survives 4-2 shootout

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out and give us a good game. I thought their keeper had a phenomenal game an made some big time saves. I was really impressed with how they played."

Central (7-2 in District 7, 15-2 overall) looked like it was going to take control early as Jeff Gladden connected on a booming shot over Bulldog goalie J.P. Thompson's head in the 13th minute.

MHS (2-8, 6-10) stepped it up, however, and went on the offensive. It worked in the form of a penalty kick, where Greg Hunter booted his 11th goal of the season in the 22nd minute to tie the game at 1-1.

In the second half, Esikhati opted for Toby Alexander in goal and it paid dividends. Central out-shot MHS 10-4 but was kept out of the net with some good goalkeeper play from Alexander, who came up with four saves on the afternoon.

"Their keeper really stepped it up," Powell said. "It also didn't help that we kicked it to where he was, not where he wasn't. He made the save and that's what a good keeper does."

In the shootout, the Bobcats finally got to Alexander with four goals as opposed to MHS' two. It wasn't the best game the Bobcats have played all year but it was a win that coach Powell will take anyway.

"Our goal is to win out the rest of the season, and with some luck here and there, maybe win district, but at least make the playoffs," Powell said.

For Esikhati and his Bulldogs, they can only shoot for next year.

"My goal is to start working toward next year," he said. "Our record does not imply what kind of players we have. I think it's a little misleading. The boys have been playing extremely well and we've been doing everything we need, except finish. We've just been unlucky.

"It's frustrating, but they hung in there and kept their composure. Anytime you're behind like we are, you're going to get mixed emotions."

MHS next plays host to Abilene Cooper at 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

San Angelo Central 2, Midland High 1 (4-2 shootout)

Central	1	0	1	—2
Midland High	1	0	0	—1

First Half — 1. SAC, Jeff Gladden (Steven Garcia), 13th minute. 2. MHS, Greg Hunter (penalty kick), 22nd minute.

Second Half — None

Shootout: 1 SAC, Steven Garcia (goal). 2. MHS, Hunter (goal). 3. SAC, Gladden (goal). 4. MHS, Beau Bennett (miss). 5. SAC, Brad Lupton (miss). 6. MHS, Will Brunner (miss). 7. SAC, Andy Montelongo (goal). 8. MHS, Evan Prothro (goal). 9. SAC, Michael Ammons (goal)

Shots: SAC 14, MHS 8. **Corner Kicks:** SAC 6, MHS 5. **Goalie Saves:** SAC 4 (Mark Rogerson 4), MHS 4 (Toby Alexander 4). **Fouls:** SAC 15, SAC 13. **Offsides:** SAC 3, MHS 4. **Cards:** SAC 1 (Phillip Belfanz, yellow), MHS 3 (Michael Lackey, yellow, Ross Brunner, yellow, Zach Inman, yellow)

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College Basketball

Men's Top 25

No. 1 DUKE 77, No. 3 NORTH CAROLINA 75

NORTH CAROLINA (27-3): Okulaja 1-5 2-2 4, Carter 4-8 6-8 14, Jamison 9-13 5-6 23, Williams 5-14 2-2 15, Cota 1-5 4-6 6, Ndiaye 3-6 0-1 6, Haywood 3-4 1-3 7. Totals 26-55 20-28 75

DUKE (27-2): Price 0-0 0-0 0, McLeod 9-15 2-4 23, Battier 1-3 3-4 5, Wojciechowski 0-4 1-2 1, Langdon 7-14 1-2 17, Carrawell 1-5 0-0 2, Brand 6-8 4-9 16, Avery 2-8 4-4 9, Burgess 2-3 0-0 4, Chappell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-60 15-25 77

Halftime—North Carolina 42, Duke 30. 3-Point goals—North Carolina 3-11 (Williams 3-7, Okulaja 0-1, Jamison 0-1, Carter 0-2), Duke 6-22 (McLeod 3-4, Langdon 2-8, Avery 1-6, Carrawell 0-1, Wojciechowski 0-3). Fouled out—Ndiaye. Rebounds—North Carolina 40 (Jamison 13), Duke 24 (Brand 5). Assists—North Carolina 15 (Cota 6), Duke 12 (Wojciechowski 11). Total fouls—North Carolina 20, Duke 21. A—9,314.

No. 2 ARIZONA 90, No. 8 STANFORD 58

STANFORD (24-4): Sauer 1-8 2-2 5, Madsen 5-10 0-1 10, Young 3-4 3-4 9, Weems 3-6 1-1 8, Lee 2-12 2-2 7, McDonald 0-1 0-0 0, Moseley 3-10 0-0 8, Collins 1-2 0-0 2, Mendez 1-4 0-0 2, Tshonyi 2-3 0-0 5, Van Elswyk 0-2 0-0 0, Seaton 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 22-63 8-10 58

ARIZONA (26-3): Davison 2-2 1-3 5, Dickerson 6-13 1-1 15, Bramlett 5-10 1-2 11, Bibby 6-13 0-0 14, Simon 7-17 4-5 20, Terry 6-11 0-0 15, Edgerson 0-0 3-4 3, Jenkins 1-1 0-0 3, Pastner 0-1 0-0 0, Tebbs 0-1 2-2 2, Wessel 0-0 0-0 0, Stewart 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 33-69 14-19 90

Halftime—Arizona 31, Stanford 20. 3-Point goals—Stanford 6-20 (Moseley 2-6, Tshonyi 1-1, Weems 1-2, Sauer 1-3, Lee 1-5, Madsen 0-1, McDonald 0-1, Mendez 0-1), Arizona 10-26 (Terry 3-7, Bibby 2-4, Dickerson 2-6, Simon 2-7, Jenkins 1-1, Tebbs 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Stanford 37 (Madsen 7), Arizona 41 (19). Assists—Stanford 14 (Lee 5), Arizona 26 (Simon 8). Total fouls—Stanford 19, Arizona 12. A—14,542.

No. 7 KENTUCKY 69, No. 14 SOUTH CAROLINA 57

KENTUCKY (26-4): Evans 9-14 3-4 22, Padgett 5-11 3-4 14, Mohammed 0-2 0-0 0, Turner 3-4 0-0 7, Sheppard 9-19 0-1 24, Smith 0-2 2-2 2, Mills 0-1 0-0 0, Anthony 0-0 0-0 0, Bradley 0-0 0-0 0, Magliore 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-54 8-11 69

SOUTH CAROLINA (21-6): Grant 2-6 3-4 7, Stack 3-6 3-5 9, Formanek 0-1 0-0 0, McKie 7-17 4-7 21, Watson 3-8 2-4 9, Davis 1-2 0-0 2, Gallman 1-2 0-0 2, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0, Nix 2-7 0-0 4, Williams 1-3 1-3 3. Totals 20-52 13-23 57

Halftime—Kentucky 34, South Carolina 29. 3-Point goals—Kentucky 9-17 (Sheppard 6-10, Turner 1-1, Evans 1-2, Padgett 1-2, Smith 0-1, Mills 0-1), South Carolina 4-24 (McKie 3-11, Watson 1-4, Davis 0-1, Stack 0-2, Grant 0-3, Nix 0-3). Fouled out—Watson. Rebounds—Kentucky 40 (Evans 12), South Carolina 29 (Williams 6). Assists—Kentucky 18 (Turner 5), South Carolina 11 (McKie 4). Total fouls—Kentucky 21, South Carolina 13. A—12,129.

No. 9 PRINCETON 72, CORNELL 59

PRINCETON (25-1): Mastaglio 3-5 1-2 9, Lewullis 6-9 3-4 17, Goodrich 9-12 0-0 19, Earl 5-8 0-1 14, Henderson 1-6 0-0 2, Chapman 1-2 3-4 6, Gregory 0-0 2-2 2, Walton 0-2 0-0 0, Belin 1-2 1-2 3, Hite 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 26-48 10-15 72

CORNELL (9-17): Fisher 4-7 5-6 13, Buettenback 1-1 2-3 5, Aubry 4-10 2-2 10, Standard 5-12 1-4 11, Cuttica 2-5 0-0 4, Mercedes 3-6 2-4 9, Pender 2-5 1-2 5, Brown 1-3 0-0 2, Kruse 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 22-52 13-21 59

Halftime—Princeton 31, Cornell 20. 3-Point goals—Princeton 10-20 (Earl 4-7, Mastaglio 2-3, Lewullis 2-4, Goodrich 1-2, Chapman 1-2, Henderson 0-1, Belin 0-1), Cornell 2-15 (Buettenback 1-1, Mercedes 1-4, Fisher 0-1, Aubry 0-1, Cuttica 0-2, Pender 0-2, Standard 0-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Princeton 24 (Lewullis 6), Cornell 38 (Fisher 8). Assists—Princeton 19 (Lewullis, Goodrich, Henderson 5), Cornell 9 (Standard, Cuttica, Mercedes 2). Total fouls—Princeton 18, Cornell 17. A—4,473.

ALABAMA 65, No. 12 ARKANSAS 63

ARKANSAS (22-7): Davis 2-3 0-4 4, Walker 0-0 1-2 1, Hood 2-3 1-4 5, Thompson 4-6 1-3 9, Bradley 6-15 2-4 17, Reid 3-5 0-0 7, Williams 0-1 2-2 2, Wallace 5-10 0-0 14, Whitney 0-0 0-0 0, Abedayo 0-5 0-0 0, Jennings 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 23-49 9-21 63

ALABAMA (14-15): Bacote 5-10 0-0 12, Alexander 5-10 6-9 16, Hays 2-3 0-0 4, Jones 2-8 3-5 8, Williams 6-16 3-4 20, London 1-1 0-0 2, Martin 1-3 0-2 3, Thrasher 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-52 12-20 65

Halftime—Arkansas 29, Alabama 22. 3-Point goals—Arkansas 8-19 (Wallace 4-8, Bradley 3-9, Reid 1-2), Alabama 9-17 (Williams 5-11, Bacote 2-2, Jones 1-2, Martin 1-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Arkansas 30 (Hood 6), Alabama 40 (Alexander 14). Assists—Arkansas 11 (Reid 5), Alabama 14 (Jones 8). Total fouls—Arkansas 16, Alabama 16. A—6,983.

No. 13 MISSISSIPPI 74, AUBURN 67

AUBURN (15-12): Chilliest 1-2 0-0 2, Williams 1-4 3-4 5, N'diaye 4-8 3-5 11, Pohlman 4-10 4-4 13, D.Robinson 4-12 1-2 10, Gomillion 0-0 0-0 0, B.Smith 6-8 0-0 12, C.Robinson 0-0 0-0 0, Fishback 5-8 0-0 14. Totals 25-52 11-15 67

MISSISSIPPI (21-5): Carter 6-11 2-2 18, Sesay 6-16 10-12 24, Boone 2-4 1-5 5, White 1-5 2-2 4, Darby 3-8 1-2 8, J.Smith 2-5 0-0 4, Rogers 1-1 0-0 2, Cantrell 0-0 1-2 1, Flanigan 2-5 3-4 8, Lockhart 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-55 20-29 74

Halftime—Mississippi 36, Auburn 35. 3-point goals—Auburn 6-19 (Fishback 4-7, D.Robinson 1-4, Pohlman 1-5, B.Smith 0-1, Williams 0-2), Mississippi 8-20 (Carter 4-7, Sesay 2-6, Flanigan 1-3, Darby 1-4). Fouled out—Chilliest, N'diaye, Robinson. Rebounds—Auburn 32 (N'diaye 9), Mississippi 35 (Sesay 10). Assists—Auburn 13 (D.Robinson 5), Mississippi 16 (Carter, Sesay, White, Flanigan 3). Total fouls—Auburn 26, Mississippi 16. A—8,217.

No. 17 CINCINNATI 61, SAINT LOUIS 58

SAINT LOUIS (20-9): Cobbin 3-5 6-6 14, Luechtefeld 2-7 0-1 4, Baniak 1-1 0-0 2, Walker 1-3 2-2 5, Hughes 5-14 3-5 13, Heinrich 1-4 0-0 2, Frazier 3-8 4-6 12, Redden 0-0 0-0 0, Robertson 0-2 3-4 3, Simmons 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 17-46 18-24 58

CINCINNATI (23-5): Patterson 5-13 5-10 15, Brannen 1-4 4-4 6, Martin 2-2 0-1 4, Myrick 2-3 0-1 4, Baker 5-8 2-3 13, Levett 4-12 0-0 10, Petrus 2-3 1-2 5, Carson 1-2 1-4 4. Totals 22-47 13-25 61

Halftime—Saint Louis 30, Cincinnati 23. 3-point goals—Saint Louis 6-13 (Cobbin 2-3, Frazier 2-4, Walker 1-1, Simmons 1-1, Robertson 0-1, Hughes 0-3), Cincinnati 4-19 (Levett 2-9, Baker 1-2, Carson 1-2, Myrick 0-1, Patterson 0-5). Fouled out—Baniak. Rebounds—Saint Louis 26 (Luechtefeld, Heinrich 5), Cincinnati 33 (Martin, Levett 7). Assists—Saint Louis 9 (Cobbin, Walker, Hughes 2), Cincinnati 8 (Patterson 5). Total fouls—Saint Louis 24, Cincinnati 21. Technical fouls—Cincinnati coach Huggins, Martin. A—13,176.

MIAMI 70, No. 19 WEST VIRGINIA 66

WEST VIRGINIA (22-7): Owens 7-18 2-5 17, Solheim 3-6 0-0 6, Brian Lewin 6-7 4-6 16, Pledger 3-8 2-2 9, West 3-12 1-1 10, Goree 1-2 1-2 3, Jones 2-9 0-0 5, Scott 0-0 0-0 0, Kearse 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-62 10-16 66

MIAMI (18-8): James 7-15 5-6 19, Jennings 1-3 1-4 3, Bland 5-6 1-3 11, Frazier 1-4 0-0 2, Norris 3-10 4-4 13, Hemsley 6-16 4-4 17, Byars-Dawson 1-1 0-0 3, Wimbley 0-0 0-0 0, Tyler 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 25-56 15-21 70

Halftime—West Virginia 30, Miami 29. 3-Point goals—West Virginia 6-22 (West 3-12, Owens 1-2, Pledger 1-3, Jones 1-5), Miami 5-18 (Norris 3-9, Byars-Dawson 1-1, Hemsley 1-5, James 0-1, Frazier 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—West Virginia 29 (Lewin 10), Miami 46 (James 17). Assists—West Virginia 10 (Owens, West 3), Miami 15 (Norris 6). Total fouls—West Virginia 18, Miami 17. A—5,989.

MARYLAND 83, No. 24 TEMPLE 66

TEMPLE (19-7): Dunkley 1-4 1-2 3, Stewart 2-6 0-0 4, Barnes 6-13 10-12 22, Sanchez 1-8 0-0 3, Brokenborough 2-9 0-0 4, Wadley 3-7 0-0 7, Greer 6-13 2-3 20, Sanders 1-1 1-2 3, Moore 0-1 0-0 0, Tabb 0-0 0-0 0, Laws 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-63 14-19 66

MARYLAND (18-9): Profit 6-10 6-6 21, Elliott 4-10 11-16 20, Ekezie 3-10 2-4 8, Stokes 1-3 0-0 2, Jasikevicius 6-11 2-2 19, Mardesich 3-8 3-4 9, Kovarik 0-0 0-0 0, Morris 2-3 0-0 4, Cephas 0-0 0-0 0, Fields 0-0 0-0 0, Hahn 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-55 24-32 83

Halftime—Maryland 40, Temple 35. 3-Point goals—Temple 8-20 (Greer 6-7, Sanchez 1-2, Wadley 1-3, Stewart 0-1, Moore 0-1, Laws 0-1, Dunkley 0-2, Brokenborough 0-3), Maryland 9-20 (Jasikevicius 5-8, Profit 3-6, Elliott 1-3, Morris 0-1, Stokes 0-2). Fouled out—Sanchez, Greer. Rebounds—Temple 35 (Barnes 15), Maryland 44 (Elliott 17). Assists—Temple 7 (Wadley 3), Maryland 23 (Stokes, Jasikevicius 5). Total fouls—Temple 23, Maryland 17. A—13,471.

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OKLAHOMA 89, TEXAS TECH 56

OKLAHOMA (20-9): Humphrey 2-3 0-0 4, Allison 0-3 0-0 0, Wiley 6-11 1-3 13, Johnson 2-3 2-3 8, Brewer 7-15 8-9 25, Bass 1-1 0-0 3, Najera 7-11 3-3 19, Stone 4-5 6-7 14, Spaulding 0-0 3-4 3. Totals 29-52 23-29 89

TEXAS TECH (13-13): OOwens 7-8 1-1 15, Carr 3-18 4-5 10, Phillips 0-0 3-4 3, Young 2-6 3-5 7, Bonewitz 0-2 3-3 3, Barnes 0-1 2-2 2, Patterson 0-0 0-0 0, Roberts 3-5 2-4 8, Myers 2-5 2-4 6, Carmichael 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 18-46 20-28 56

Halftime—Oklahoma 36, Tech 29. 3-Point goals—Oklahoma 8-15 (Brewer 3-6, Johnson 2-2, Najera 2-3, Bass 1-1, Allison 0-3), Tech 0-14 (Barnes 0-1, Young 0-1, Bonewitz 0-2, Myers 0-3, Carr 0-7). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma 32 (Brewer 6), Tech 27 (Roberts 6). Assists—Oklahoma 21 (Johnson 7), Tech 12 (Bonewitz 7). Total fouls—Oklahoma 22, Tech 20. Technicals—Tech, bench. A—7,410.

Texas A&M 80, Baylor 75

BAYLOR (13-13): Miller 8-11 5-5 29, Ramirez 5-6 0-0 12, Skinner 4-10 2-7 10, Hunter 5-13 4-6 14, Morris 0-2 0-0 0, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Kendrick 0-0 0-0 0, Perkins 1-4 0-1 3, Lewis 2-9 3-6 7. Totals 25-55 14-25 75

TEXAS A&M (7-19): Houston 6-11 2-4 16, Jones 9-15 2-4 20, Thompson 2-2 0-3 4, Barone 0-3 1-2 1, Schmidt 10-21 1-2 26, Jack 3-7 6-8 12, Richards 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 30-60 13-25 80

Halftime—Baylor 46, Texas A&M 41. 3-Point goals—Baylor 11-24 (Miller 8-11, Ramirez 2-3, Hunter 0-5, Morris 0-2, Perkins 1-3), Texas A&M 7-17 (Houston 2-4, Barone 0-2, Schmidt 5-10, Brown 0-1). Fouled out—Morris. Rebounds—Baylor 38 (Skinner 7), Texas A&M 31 (Jack 6). Assists—Baylor 19 (Hunter 11), Texas A&M 22 (Houston 8). Total fouls—Baylor 26, Texas A&M 21. Technicals—A&M, Schmidt. A—4,278.

COLORADO 81, TEXAS 64

Colorado (13-13): Thomas 0-4 1-4 1, Mosley 7-12 1-4 15, Melvin 5-10 0-0 10, Price 9-16 2-3 28, Hughes 0-6 2-4 2, Frier 2-2 0-0 4, Smith 3-5 7-10 13, DeGray 3-8 2-4 8. Totals 29-63 15-29 81

Texas (12-16): Clack 6-14 2-3 16, Clark 3-6 1-2 8, Mihm 8-13 4-7 20, Perryman 2-8 0-0 6, Vazquez 2-6 0-0 4, Muoneke 0-3 0-0 0, Wagner 0-1 0-0 0, Smith 1-6 2-2 4, Axtell 1-6 3-5 6. Totals 23-63 12-19 64

Halftime—Colorado 36, Texas 31. 3-Point goals—Colorado 8-16 (Price 8-15, Hughes 0-1), Texas 6-29 (Clack 2-7, Clark 1-2, Perryman 2-8, Vazquez 0-1, Muoneke 0-1, Smith 0-3, Axtell 1-6). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Colorado 44 (Hughes 7), Texas 36 (Mihm 10). Assists—Colorado 14 (Hughes 7), Texas 11 (Clack, Muoneke 3). Total fouls—Colorado 19, Texas 36. Technicals—Texas Muoneke, Nnadubi, the bench. A—9,998.

MISSOURI 89, KANSAS STATE 59

KANSAS STATE (16-10): McCollough 5-8 1-2 11, Sims 3-5 0-0 6, Rhodes 7-15 4-6 18, Griffin 2-5 0-0 4, Swartzendruber 2-7 0-0 5, Vasiljevic 0-1 2-2 2, Lopez 0-1 0-0 0, May 4-9 2-4 11, Ries 0-1 0-0 0, Reid 1-3 0-1 2, Heidnick 0-1 0-0 0, Leonard 0-0 0-0 2. Totals 24-56 9-15 59

MISSOURI (16-13): Lee 9-14 3-3 26, Thames 8-17 4-4 21, Woods 8-14 1-2 22, Ray 1-4 1-2 4, Hafer 0-6 0-0 0, Grawer 1-3 0-0 3, Parker 2-2 1-5 7, White 0-7 3-4 3, Hardge 1-3 0-0 2, Wampler 0-0 1-2 1, Weaver 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 30-72 14-22 89

Halftime—Missouri 38, Kansas St. 26. 3-point goals—Kansas St. 2-13 (May 1-2, Swartzendruber 1-3, Griffin 0-1, McCollough 0-1, Lopez 0-1, Herdrick 0-1, Reid 0-2), Missouri 15-36 (Lee 5-8, Woods 5-9, Parker 2-2, Grawer 1-3, Ray 1-3, Thames 1-5, Hafer 0-2, Weaver 0-2, White 0-2). Fouled out—none. Rebounds—Kansas State 38 (McCollough 8), Missouri 45 (Lee 11). Assists—Kansas State 16 (Swartzendruber 5), Missouri 19 (Ray 5). Total fouls—Kansas St. 19, Missouri 19. A—13,330.

Nebraska 70, Iowa State 62

NEBRASKA (19-10): Florence 1-1 0-0 2, C. Johnson 1-7 2-4 4, Hamilton 4-4 0-0 8, Lue 11-17 2-2 24, Belcher 8-11 2-5 21, Piatkowski 1-5 0-0 3, Phifer 0-0 0-0 0, Markowski 2-3 1-5 5, Harriman 1-2 1-4 3. Totals 29-50 8-20 70

IOWA ST. (12-17): B. Johnson 3-5 0-0 8, Shirley 1-5 3-5 5, Edwards 0-3 2-2 2, Corner 2-5 1-3 5, Curry 3-9 2-2 11, Fizer 5-10 4-5 14, Love 0-2 0-0 0, Rancik 2-4 0-0 4, S. Johnson 6-9 1-1 13. Totals 22-52 13-18 62

Halftime—Nebraska 31, Iowa St. 29. 3-Point goals—Nebraska 4-8 (Belcher 3-4, Piatkowski 1-3, Lue 0-1), Iowa St. 5-17 (Curry 3-9, B. Johnson 2-3, Corner 0-2, Love 0-2, S. Johnson 0-1). Fouled out—Love, Belcher. Rebounds—Nebraska 32 (Hamilton, Piatkowski 7), Iowa St. 27 (Fizer 9). Assists—Nebraska 15 (Lue 9), Iowa St. 11 (Rancik 3). Total fouls—Nebraska 17, Iowa St. 22. Technical foul—Hamilton. A—13,465.

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NO. 15 TEXAS CHRISTIAN 86, RICE 73

TCU (26-4): Johnson 6-19 0-0 15, Davis 3-7 4-6 10, Nailon 9-19 6-7 25, Fowler 0-3 6-6 6, Jones 7-13 0-0 18, McTyer 0-1 0-0 0, Penny 2-4 0-0 4, Carroll 2-3 0-0 4, Gradney 0-0 4-4 4. Totals 29-69 20-23 86

Rice (6-22): Johnson 1-7 5-6 7, Michaelis 3-5 0-0 6, Kelly Sanni 14-22 0-0 28, Stringer 4-9 0-0 10, Crawford 0-3 2-2 2, Armstrong 1-1 0-0 2, Tyndell 0-2 0-0 0, Thomson 1-1 0-0 2, Wilks 1-4 2-2 4, Bougaieff 4-5 4-8 12. Totals 29-59 13-18 73

Halftime—TCU 45, Rice 33. 3-Point goals—TCU 8-18 (Johnson 3-8, Nailon 1-1, Jones 4-7, McTyer 0-1, Carroll 0-1), Rice 2-10 (Johnson 0-1, Stringer 2-6, Crawford 0-2, Tyndell 0-1). Fouled out—Penny. Rebounds—TCU 43 (Davis 9), Rice 30 (Kelley Sanni, Bougaieff 10). Assists—TCU 20 (Nailon 5), Rice 20 (Crawford 8). Total fouls—TCU 19, Rice 18. Technicals—TCU, Nailon. A—3,806.

Tulsa 79, SMU 70

Southern Methodist (17-9): Dimson 7-13 5-7 20, Davis 2-8 2-2 6, Poerner 1-8 0-1 2, Sasser 7-21 13-14 28, Woods 3-9 1-2 8, Anderson 0-0 0-0 0, Nabity 0-0 0-0 0, Elsey 1-3 0-0 2, Grafenreed 0-1 0-1 0, Krist 1-2 0-0 2, Broer 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 23-66 21-27 70

Tulsa (18-11): Coley 6-9 6-7 18, Ruffin 2-5 6-10 10, Bennett 6-7 0-0 12, Thompson 4-8 6-6 16, Williams 4-7 5-6 17, Gendron 0-2 2-2 2, Hill 0-2 2-2 2, Cunningham 0-0 0-0 0, Cornwell 0-1 2-2 2, Bell 0-0 0-0 0, Spurlock 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-41 29-35 79

Halftime—Tulsa 36, Southern Methodist 23. 3-point goals—Southern Methodist 3-20 (Dimson 1-1, Davis 0-1, Poerner 0-3, Sasser 1-7, Woods 1-5, Elsey 0-1, Grafenreed 0-1, Krist 0-1), Tulsa 6-17 (Coley 0-1, Thompson 2-6, Williams 4-7, Gendron 0-2, Hill 0-1). Fouled out—Elsey. Rebounds—Southern Methodist 34 (Sasser, Dimson 9), Tulsa 33 (Ruffin 9). Assists—Southern Methodist 4 (Sasser 3), Tulsa 16 (Coley 5). Total fouls—Southern Methodist 24, Tulsa 22. Technicals—SMU bench. A—8,012.

Women's Top 25

No. 1 TENNESSEE 106, No. 14 VANDERBILT 45

VANDERBILT (20-8): Hillmon 8-19 0-0 16, Redman 2-11 2-2 7, Ostrom 3-9 0-0 6, Smith 0-5 1-3 1, Janky 3-5 0-0 6, Holmes 0-1 0-0 0, Ostendorf 0-5 2-2 2, Storey 2-4 1-3 5, Washington 1-2 0-0 2, Hammond 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 19-64 6-10 45

TENNESSEE (32-0): Jolly 4-4 3-3 12, Randall 7-15 2-3 16, Holdsclaw 9-15 7-8 25, Catchings 7-9 4-5 20, Stephens 2-9 2-2 6, Geter 2-6 0-0 4, Clement 2-3 7-10 12, Milligan 2-2 0-0 6, Laxton 1-7 1-3 3, Butts 1-1 0-0 2, Greene 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 37-73 26-35 106

Halftime—Tennessee 61, Vanderbilt 29. 3-Point goals—Vanderbilt 1-15 (Redman 1-8, Ostendorf 0-1, Ostrom 0-3, Smith 0-3), Tennessee 6-7 (Milligan 2-2, Catchings 2-2, Clement 1-1, Jolly 1-1, Greene 0-1). Fouled out—Hillmon. Rebounds—Vanderbilt 31 (Janky 8), Tennessee 57 (Holdsclaw, Catchings 10). Assists—Vanderbilt 13 (Ostrom 4), Tennessee 16 (Clement 6). Total fouls—Vanderbilt 25, Tennessee 12. A—NA.

No. 3 OLD DOMINION 86, VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH 61

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH (15-13): Rasmussen 2-11 3-4 7, Waller 7-11 2-3 16, Karlsson 2-3 0-0 4, Sisson 6-16 3-4 18, Kyhlstedt 0-4 1-2 1, McKinnon 2-6 0-0 5, Remus 0-4 0-0 0, Washington 0-0 0-0 0, Delagarza 0-1 3-5 3, Millsaps 0-0 0-0 0, Mergenthal 2-4 0-0 4, McKenna 0-3 0-0 0, Burns 1-1 1-2 3. Totals 22-64 13-20 61

OLD DOMINION (26-2): Andrade 4-16 8-8 16, Small 3-7 0-0 6, Roberts 11-15 0-0 22, Eblin 5-12 0-0 15, Penicheiro 0-1 0-2 0, Eller-Paul 3-5 2-4 9, Levens 1-3 3-4 6, Keenan 1-4 0-0 2, Williams 3-5 1-1 7, Olley 0-0 0-0 0, Love 1-4 1-2 3, Bellinghausen 0-0 0-0 0, Bradley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-73 15-21 86

Halftime—Old Dominion 43, Virginia Commonwealth 28. 3-Point goals—Virginia Commonwealth 4-14 (Sisson 3-7, McKinnon 1-1, McKenna 0-1, Waller 0-1, Kyhlstedt 0-2, Remus 0-2), Old Dominion 7-17 (Eblin 5-12, Eller-Paul 1-2, Levens 1-2, Bradley 0-1). Fouled out—Waller. Rebounds—Virginia Commonwealth 34 (Rasmussen 6), Old Dominion 58 (Andrade 16). Assists—Virginia Commonwealth 8 (Waller, Kyhlstedt, Mergenthal 2), Old Dominion 23 (Penicheiro 12). Total fouls—Virginia Commonwealth 17, Old Dominion 17. A—NA.

No. 4 LOUISIANA TECH 98, NEW ORLEANS 61

LOUISIANA TECH (23-3): Stallworth 5-7 3-4 13, Burn 2-4 0-0 4, Cochran 1-2 0-0 2, Maxwell 5-10 1-1 15, Wilson 7-15 3-4 17, Scheppmann 2-6 2-3 6, Burras 10-19 2-6 22, Jackson 7-17 0-0 15, Gilmore 1-1 0-0 2, Bowman 0-2 2-4 2. Totals 40-83 13-22 98

NEW ORLEANS (10-15): Gooden 2-3 0-1 4, Fugiel 2-3 0-0 5, Carter 2-3 0-0 4, Beskaki 0-2 2-2 2, Kluibenschaedl 2-7 1-2 5, Witonski 0-2 0-0 0, Brunker 0-0 0-0 0, Magner 4-13 2-2 12, Kindreich 3-8 0-0 8, Cieslak 1-2 0-0 3, Anderson 6-16 5-5 18. Totals 22-59 10-15 61

Halftime—Louisiana Tech 56, New Orleans 36. 3-Point goals—Louisiana Tech 5-12 (Maxwell 4-5, Jackson 1-7), New Orleans 7-25 (Kindreich 2-5, Magner 2-10, Fugiel 1-1, Cieslak 1-2, Anderson 1-4, Beskaki 0-1, Kluibenschaedl 0-2). Fouled out—Maxwell. Rebounds—Louisiana Tech 66 (Wilson, Burras 15), New Orleans 22 (Anderson 7). Assists—Louisiana Tech 19 (Jackson 9), New Orleans 14 (Beskaki, Anderson 3). Total fouls—Louisiana Tech 17, New Orleans 19. A—243.

No. 5 STANFORD 108, No. 7 ARIZONA 90

ARIZONA (19-6): Barnes 4-13 7-7 15, Giordano 4-10 2-4 10, Griffith 1-7 0-0 3, Willis 4-6 5-6 15, Minter 2-4 7-9 11, Crank 5-11 3-5 17, Alexander 5-10 2-4 12, Bristol 2-7 0-0 5, Hambrick 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 28-70 26-35 90

STANFORD (19-5): Nygaard 3-8 5-7 14, Owen 5-8 1-2 11, Scott 5-9 7-11 17, Freuen 2-3 3-4 8, Flores 2-4 2-2 6, Peterson 3-5 2-2 8, Folkl 10-15 11-12 31, Gbalazeh 0-0 0-0 0, Batastini 2-4 5-6 11, Donahoe 0-0 0-0 0, Moos 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 32-56 38-48 108

Halftime—Stanford 46, Arizona 33. 3-Point goals—Arizona 8-24 (Crank 4-9, Willis 2-3, Bristol 1-2, Griffith 1-7, Barnes 0-1, Giordano 0-1, Minter 0-1), Stanford 6-13 (Nygaard 3-7, Batastini 2-3, Freuen 1-2, Flores 0-1). Fouled out—Giordano, Willis, Barnes. Rebounds—Arizona 27 (Alexander 9), Stanford 47 (Folkl 15). Assists—Arizona 15 (Minter 5), Stanford 24 (Nygaard 10). Total fouls—Arizona 30, Stanford 27. A—6,424.

No. 6 TEXAS TECH 67, KANSAS ST. 62

TEXAS TECH (22-4): Schmucker 0-2 2-2 2, Lake 2-9 0-0 5, Hanebutt 1-3 0-0 3, Thompson 12-23 3-4 27, Braziel 9-21 4-7 22, O'Neal 2-2 0-0 4, Gibbs 1-1 0-0 2, Boles 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 28-63 9-13 67

KANSAS ST. (10-16): Coalson 1-5 0-0 3, Ramage 2-2 2-2 6, Finkes 11-21 1-2 23, Jacobson 3-9 4-6 10, Woodlee 3-10 0-0 8, Harris 6-10 0-0 12. Totals 26-57 7-10 62

Halftime—Kansas St. 39, Texas Tech 35. 3-Point goals—Texas Tech 2-8 (Lake 1-2, Hanebutt 1-3, Thompson 0-1, Schmucker 0-2), Kansas St. 3-13 (Woodlee 2-9, Coalson 1-2, Jacobson 0-1, Harris 0-1.) Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Texas Tech 35 (Thompson 9), Kansas St. 31 (Jacobson 7). Assists—Texas Tech 21 (Hanebutt 7), Kansas St. 18 (Jacobson 9). Total fouls—Texas Tech 11, Kansas St. 13. A—3,770.

PENN STATE 74, No. 13 ILLINOIS 71

PENN STATE (16-12): Parsons 1-8 2-2 4, Darling 2-6 4-4 8, Portland 4-7 3-4 14, Garner 7-12 4-7 18, Clements 1-3 0-0 2, Shepherd 3-13 3-4 10, Carter 7-11 1-3 15, Falcone 0-2 0-0 0, Walseth 1-1 1-1 3. Totals 26-62 18-25 74

ILLINOIS (18-9): Catchings 0-3 1-2 1, Parker 2-7 1-2 6, Berggren 10-21 4-6 26, Vasey 4-5 2-2 10, Coleman 0-4 0-0 0, Albers 0-0 0-0 0, Guanen 2-4 1-2 7, Reinking 4-11 0-0 10, Bond 0-0 0-0 0, Sheeler 4-8 2-4 11, Leonhardt 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-64 11-18 71

Halftime—Illinois 25, Penn State 25. 3-point goals—Penn State 4-14 (Portland 3-5, Shepherd 1-6, Falcone 0-1, Parsons 0-2), Illinois 8-24 (Berggren 2-2, Guanen 2-4, Reinking 2-7, Sheeler 1-1, Parker 1-6, Coleman 0-4). Fouled out—Reinking. Rebounds—Penn State 38 (Garner 12), Illinois 45 (Sheeler 11). Assists—Penn State 11 (Darling 5), Illinois 14 (Guanen 4). Total fouls—Penn State 19, Illinois 24.

No. 21 STEPHEN F. AUSTIN 74, SAM HOUSTON ST. 61

Stephen F. Austin (23-3): Davis 3-6 5-7 11, Henson 3-4 1-1 7, Smith 2-8 5-6 9, Whitmore 2-8 2-2 7, Pnnce 10-19 5-9 28, Hunt 0-0 0-0 0, Bruce 0-2 1-2 1, Henry 2-4 2-4 6, Ramsay 1-1 0-0 2, Sam 0-3 2-4 2, Brown 0-1 1-2 1, Rater 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-56 24-37 74

Sam Houston St. (13-13): Teague 4-13 2-5 10, Shepard 3-6 2-2 8, Ferguson 7-11 9-13 23, An. Sheiron 0-6 0-0 0, Am. Sheiron 3-7 1-2 8, Treat 3-8 4-6 10, Player 1-1 0-0 2, Lewis 0-4 0-2 0. Totals 21-56 18-30 61

Halftime—Stephen F. Austin 36, Sam Houston St. 30. 3-Point goals—Stephen F. Austin 4-13 (Davis 0-1, Whitmore 1-3, Prince 3-8, Henry 0-1), Sam Houston St. 1-8 (Teague 0-1, An Sheiron 0-3, Am Sheiron 1-4). Fouled out—Ferguson, Am Sheiron. Player Rebounds—Stephen F. Austin 39 (Smith 11), Sam Houston St. 41 (An Sheiron 9). Assists—Stephen F. Austin 18 (Whitmore 8), Sam Houston St. 14 (Teague 3, An Sheiron 3). Total fouls—Stephen F. Austin 23, Sam Houston St. 29. A—4,901.

WPHL Standings

Eastern Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Fort Worth	38	16	11	87	282	210
Shreveport	40	17	3	83	275	190
Austin	33	20	11	77	235	236
Central Texas	35	21	6	76	226	232
Lake Charles	31	24	6	68	247	245
Monroe	31	30	2	64	203	209
Waco	15	44	3	33	179	293

Western Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
New Mexico	38	17	5	81	288	202
El Paso	36	18	6	78	292	221
San Angelo	27	30	5	59	257	293
Amarillo	22	27	12	56	202	263
Odessa	23	36	5	51	243	342

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; one for a shootout loss.

Saturday's Games

Central Texas 6, Monroe 3
Lake Charles 5, Waco 1
Odessa 3, Fort Worth 2, SO
New Mexico 5, San Angelo 4
Austin 6, Shreveport 4

Sunday's Games

Amarillo at El Paso
New Mexico at San Angelo
Lake Charles at Shreveport

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Shreveport at Central Texas
New Mexico at El Paso
Austin at Odessa
Waco at San Angelo

Nissan Open

VALENCIA, Calif. (AP) — Scores Saturday after the third round of the $2.1 million Nissan Open, played on the 6,977-yard, par-71 Valencia Country Club course:

Tommy Armour III	69-68-67 — 204
Billy Mayfair	65-71-69 — 205
Skip Kendall	69-73-64 — 206
Tiger Woods	68-73-65 — 206
Bob Estes	69-70-67 — 206
Scott Hoch	67-71-68 — 206
Payne Stewart	70-67-69 — 206
Hal Sutton	72-69-66 — 207
Stephen Ames	66-71-70 — 207
Jeff Gallagher	69-71-68 —

Armour advances ahead of crowd in Nissan Open

Associated Press

VALENCIA, Calif. — Tommy Armour III was one shot in front of Billy Mayfair, with Tiger Woods and four others just another shot behind.

With 12 players within five strokes of the lead, the final round of the Nissan Open sets up as a mad, crowded dash to the finish.

Armour, turning in his third steady round, shot a 4-under-par 67 Saturday at Valencia Country Club to edge in front at 9-under 204.

Mayfair, the leader the first two days, survived another up-and-down round to post a 69 that left him alone in second.

Woods, who holed a 9-iron for an eagle on the fourth hole, had a 65 to join Skip Kendall, Bob Estes, Scott Hoch and Payne Stewart at 7-under.

Kendall shot 64, Estes 67, Hoch 68 and Stewart 69.

Armour, in the tournament only because of a sponsor's exemption, hasn't won since 1990. But he's been playing some of the best golf of his life this year.

Asked the key to his three rounds of solid golf in the Nissan, Armour replied, "Solid golf."

He smiled and added, "I've been hitting a lot of good shots and coming to the course ready to play good golf."

The 38-year-old Armour, who lost his tour card last year and hasn't regained it, already has a pair of top-10 finishes this year, a tie for second at Phoenix and a tie for sixth at San Diego.

After finishing 131st on the money list in 1997, one spot lower than needed to keep his card, Armour failed to get it back when he shot a final-round 77 at the tour school — missing qualifying by two shots.

Armour joined the tour in 1982 and his only victory came at Phoenix eight years ago. He played in 30 events last year, but his best finish was a tie for 17th.

He has won $244,350 in three tournaments this year, which is more than he made in an entire year since 1990, when he earned $348,658.

His reemergence this year, while dramatic, isn't easily explainable.

"It's a lot of subtle changes that have made a big change," Armour said. "I can't just pick one thing; it's an accumulation of things."

Woods, who hasn't won a tour event since last July but has finished no worse than third in three starts this year, got rolling when his second shot, from 142 yards on the par-4, 422-yard No. 4, went into the cup.

"I didn't see it; you can't see anything on that hole," Woods said. "But the people went really crazy and the amplitude went up, up, up, and then there were people screaming and you could see hats flying into the air.



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Tommy Armour III of Dallas chips on the 18th hole during Saturday's third round of the Nissan Open in Valencia, Calif. Armour leads the tournament at 9-under par.

Williams gets past Davenport in IGA

Associated Press

■ **Tennis Roundup**

OKLAHOMA CITY — Venus Williams beat top-seeded Lindsay Davenport for the first time in four tries, overcoming a slow start Saturday night to win in three sets and reach the finals of the IGA Tennis Classic.

The 17-year-old Williams, who most recently lost to Davenport in the quarterfinals of the Australian Open, broke the defending champion's serve in the seventh game of the third set to win the matchup of power players 6-7 (5-7), 6-2, 6-3.

She advanced to her third career final and will meet Joannette Kruger of South Africa.

"I was tired of losing to her all the time," Williams said. "There comes a point where you have to break through. You can't let someone beat you four times in a row."

Davenport, ranked No. 2 in the world, had a 4-1 lead in the first set but then had to hang on to win the set.

Williams, seeded third and ranked 14th, seemed to get stronger after that. Hitting serves that reached 116 mph and pounding forehand volleys from the baseline, she broke Davenport twice in the second set, including once at love.

Each held serve in the third set until the seventh game, when two straight baseline calls went against Davenport to give the game to Williams. On the first, at 30-30, the umpire overruled and called the ball out. Then she let stand an out call by the line judge.

"It definitely doesn't help when you get two calls in the same spot," Davenport said. "I don't know if they were in. They sounded pretty good."

Williams fell behind love-30 in the next game before Davenport hit a forehand wide. That sparked Williams, who won five straight points and eventually closed out the victory with a forehand off Davenport's second serve.

"Once she gave that point to me, she was just dragging," Williams said.

Sampras to meet Enqvist in Advanta finals

PHILADELPHIA — To beat No. 1 Pete Sampras, a player has to turn all of his best shots into winners.

Sixth-seeded Tommy Haas did that for the first three games Saturday, beating Sampras with hard, low backhands. But he couldn't keep it up, and Sampras recovered from an 0-3 start to beat Haas 6-4, 6-4 and move into the Advanta Championships final.

"Sometimes you need a day where you have an angel on your shoulder saying, 'Hit the ball as hard as you can,'" Haas said. "Sometimes you feel that way on the court. You wonder, 'What do I have to do?'"

In Sunday's final, Sampras will face third-seeded Thomas Enqvist, who beat Sebastien Lareau of Canada 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 Saturday to end the qualifier's surprising run into his first singles semifinal.

Enqvist, who won this event in 1995, is 1-6 against Sampras — but the one win came the last time they played, a 6-3, 6-3 victory in 1996.

"You know he has to have an off day and you have to play really well," said Enqvist, who is ranked 29th in the world.

Sampras, who is trying to win his fourth title at the Philadelphia tournament and defend his 1997 championship, said Haas seemed to get down on himself as Sampras rallied, matching Haas' hard groundstrokes shot for shot late in the first set.

"At that point, he felt like he had no hope," Sampras said. "I put a lot of pressure on these guys out there with my serve."

Kafelnikov, Pioline make Guardian Cup finals

LONDON — Third-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov and France's Cedric Pioline reached the finals of the Guardian Cup indoor tournament Saturday with straight-set semifinal victories.

Kafelnikov, the only seed to reach the semifinals, got through with a 7-5, 6-4 win over South African Wayne Ferreira. Pioline also needed only two sets to beat Jan Siemerink of the Netherlands 6-3, 7-6 (7-4).

Kafelnikov, the 24-year-old Russian, broke in the 12th game to win the first set and then went ahead 3-1 in the second with a break in the fourth game.

Novotna meets van Roost in finals of the Austrian Open

LINZ, Austria — Jana Novotna and Dominique van Roost breezed into the finals of the $450,000 Austrian open on Saturday.

Novotna, the top-seeded Czech veteran, beat Silvia Farina of Italy 6-4, 6-1 to collect her 500th victory on the WTA tour.

Van Roost, from Belgium, had it even simpler. After losing the first set 6-2 in 36 minutes, second-seeded Iva Majoli of Croatia retired, complaining of a bad back.

Novotna beat van Roost in Hanover, Germany, about two weeks ago in an early round, only to lose the final to Patty Schnyder of Switzerland.

Sunday will be the van Roost's fourth finals appearance this year.

Waller sets U.S. women's high jump record

Associated Press

■ **Track Roundup**

ATLANTA — Tisha Waller, an Atlanta grade-school teacher, gave a lesson in high jumping Saturday — and fans paid attention.

Performing in front of a crowd that included co-workers, her fifth grade students at Livsey Elementary School and their parents, the 27-year-old Waller set an American women's indoor record of 6 feet, 7 inches, at the USA Championships in the Georgia Dome.

The long-legged, 5-11 3/4 Waller then had the bar set at 6-8, matching the American outdoor record held by Louise Ritter, but she missed three times, coming close only on her second attempt.

"I know it's there," Waller said about clearing 6-8. "I know I have the height. It's just a matter of working on my technique. Technically, I was a little off, but it worked ... Driving over here, my coach (Nat Page) told me, 'You're ready to jump. Just take your time and everything will come.'"

Everything came together on Waller's third attempt at 6-7, as she broke the 16-year-old record of 6-6 3/4 held by Coleen Sommer. The world indoor record is 6-9 1/2 by Germany's Heike Henkel.

"Her training has been going excellent," Page said. "She is stronger and faster this year."

Meanwhile, the identical Harrison twins — Alvin and Calvin — finished 1-2 in the 400 with the two fastest times in the world this year. Alvin, a gold medalist on the 1996 Olympic 1,600-meter relay team, led all the way in winning in 45.05 seconds, tying the third-fastest ever. Calvin was less than two meters back in 7.18.

Texas ends Nebraska string in women's track

AMES, Iowa — No matter what else happened at the Big 12 indoor track meet, the Texas women wanted to do one thing.

"Our No. 1 goal was to beat Nebraska," sprinter Nanceen Perry said.

The Longhorns did exactly that, and everyone else in the league as well. Texas won eight of the 19 events and piled up 156 points Saturday to end Nebraska's string of conference indoor championships at 18.

Nebraska, second with 101 points, won the first Big 12 title last year and had won the last 17 Big Eight championships.

The Cornhuskers did repeat as the men's champion, winning their fifth straight league title and sixth in seven years. Nebraska had 106 1/2 points, Texas A&M 99 and Texas 93.

GOLF: Midland High finishes in eighth

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score of 327-324 — 651. No. 1 player Jason Lindgren was the top finisher for MHS, finishing only two strokes out of the top 10 with an 80-77 — 157. Just as important to coach Jack Ratcliff, Midland High's No. 2 team, competing in the Division III competition, improved by 29 strokes Saturday with a 317 finishing in fourth place.

"I felt really good," Ratcliff said. "(The golfers) came back and competed very well today. I was very proud of our second team. To improve by almost 30 strokes is really something."

It could mean some changes in the near future for the Midland High lineup. C.W. Porter shot an 80-78 — 158 for the No. 2 team, which would have placed him second in the top team.

"I'm going to be shuffling players around this week," Ratcliff said.

One player who might be going to the top of his team's lineup is Wellhausen, who is Cooper's No. 2 player. He had a four-stroke lead after Friday's two-under 70 and only needed to maintain and not make many mistakes at Hogan to hold on and earn his first varsity victory.

Normally, an 80 would spell death for a leader in the final round, but it was as good a score as Wellhausen needed.

"I was just going for a 75," Wellhausen said. "I didn't get any good breaks today."

The one break Wellhausen had was a huge cushion on most of the rest of the field, which expanded his margin for error. By parring three of the last four holes, Wellhausen locked up the win.

He could have made things easier on himself with his putter, but he had an off day after committing only one bogey Friday.

"I had 28 putts (Friday) and 40 today," Wellhausen said. "At the (Midland) Country Club, the greens were in great shape, but around here they weren't in very good shape. It was a beautiful day to play though."

Regardless of the conditions of the course or the weather, Dunn expected his team to play through them.

"It's easy to find excuses but everybody played the same course," Dunn said. "It was cool, but the weather was as nice as we've had all year."

Odessa Permian's Austin Burk had the day's best round with a 74 which put him a stroke behind Wellhausen and tied him for second with Central's J.C. Ramirez. Burk claimed second place by parring the first playoff hole.

In Division II, Andrews almost made up a 19 stroke deficit to Borger, but Borger held on by a single stroke with a 627. Andrews which shot a 325 Friday, had the best round of the day by any team in any division with a 303, as all five of its players broke 80. The Mustangs' top two players, Brad Gibson (77-74) and J. Chris Hubert (76-75) tied for top medalist honors at 151, but didn't play off for the title because it was too dark. Lamesa was third at 648.

Permian's No. 2 team won the Division III competition with a 319-311 — 330, 26 strokes ahead of Monahans. Lee's No. 2 squad was third in the division with a 330-330 — 660. Permian teammates Lucas Daniels and Robert Wilhite tied for low medalist honors at 152.

DIVISION I
Team Standings

1. San Angelo Central 317-309 — 626. 2. Lubbock Coronado 317-310 — 627. 3. El Paso Franklin 315-314 — 629. 4. Odessa High 318-313 — 631. 5. Odessa Permian 327-305 — 632. 6. Abilene Cooper 317-317 — 634. **7. Midland Lee 313-325 — 638; 8. Midland High 327-324 — 651;** 9. El Paso Hanks 339-314 — 653. 10. Abilene High 326-328 — 654. 11. Amarillo High 339-324 — 663. 12. Lubbock Monterey 341-327 — 668. 13. Amarillo Tascosa 340-335 — 675. 14. El Paso Coronado 342-349 — 691. 15 (tie). El Paso Andress 351-346 — 697 and Lubbock High 364-333 — 697

Top 10 Individuals

1. Clint Wellhausen (Cooper) 70-80 — 150. 2. Austin Burk (Permian) 77-74 — 151. 3. J.C. Ramirez (Central) 74-77 — 151. 4 (tie). Jaime Luna (OHS) 76-77 — 153 and Jerod Argo (Central) 80-73 — 153. 6 **(tie). Daniel Pender (Lee) 78-79 — 155.** Mark Meyer (Franklin) 75-80 — 155. Barrett Wood (Franklin) 76-79 — 155. Paul Crumley (Hanks) 77-78 — 155 and Jason Scherr (Lub Coronado) 77-78 — 155

Top 10 Team Results

1. San Angelo Central (626) — Ramirez 151, Argo 153, Jason Chesser 83-78 — 161, Johnny Perez 83-81 — 164, Chris Andros 80-87 — 167.
2. Lubbock Coronado (627) — Scherr 155, Cody Craig 79-77 — 156, Trey Aston 78-81 — 159, Brian Rainey 83-76 — 159, Brian Smith 83-79 — 162.
3. El Paso Franklin (629) — Meyer 155, Wood 155, Brian Schuster 80-78 — 158, Josh Kaplan 85-77 — 162, Jeff Gulbas 84-83 — 167.
4. Odessa High (631) — Luna 153, Josh McCann 79-80 — 159, Kyle Davis 82-77 — 159, Jared Brinker 81-79 — 160, Justin Owend 84-83 — 167.
5. Odessa Permian (632) — Burk 151, Rocky Hutson 80-80 — 160, Henry Hernandez 84-76 — 160, Steven Watters 88-75 — 163, Phillip George 86-82 — 168.
6. Abilene Cooper (634) — Wellhausen 150, Devin Brewster 78-78 — 156, Matthew Smith 81-77 — 158, Michael Watson 88-82 — 170, Lee Hughes 97-82 — 179.
7. Midland Lee (638) — Pender 155, Thomas Freeman 75-86 — 161, Omar Sanchez 83-79 — 162, Dillon King 79-85 — 164, Chance Finley 84-82 — 166.
8. Midland High (651) — Jason Lindgren 80-77 — 157, Matthew Gerhard 79-81 — 160, Zack Cauthen 86-80 — 166, Matt Davis 82-86 — 168, Kevin Smith 89-87 — 176.
9. El Paso Hanks (653) — Crumley 155, Chris Smith 85-78 — 163, Jesse Moore 85-87 — 172, Scott Felix 92-81 — 173, Brandon Lane 101-77 — 178.
10. Abilene High (654) — Christopher Gage 80-76 — 156, Kenneth Boyce 78-84 — 162, Aaron Miller 83-83 — 166, Logan Gage 85-85 — 170, Brian Williams 88-85 — 173.

DIVISION II
Team Results

1. Borger 306-321 — 627. 2. Andrews 325-303 — 628. 3. Lamesa 331-317 — 648. 4. El Paso Burges 346-320 — 666. 5. Pampa 345-325 — 670. 6 (tie). Sweetwater 340-331 — 671 and Big Spring 334-337 — 671. 8. Hereford 343-329 — 672. 9. Frenship 337-343 — 680. 10. Snyder 345-336 — 681. 11. Midland Trinity 352-337 — 689. 12. Caprock 352-362 — 714.

Area Team Individuals

2. Andrews (628) — Brad Gibson 77-74 — 151. J Chris Hubert 76-75 — 151. Coy Ellison 86-76 — 162. Ben Gulley 86-78 — 164. Dustin Sherrill 86-79 — 165.
3. Lamesa (648) — Andy Hawkins 80-74 — 154. Eric Thornton 77-80 — 157. Jeremy Jones 88-81 — 169. Jason Adams 86-83 — 169. Ty Hodges 92-82 — 174.
6. Big Spring (671) — Sammy Rodriguez 77-79 — 156. Rudy Gamboa 86-83 — 169. Blake Weaver 83-88 — 171. Heath Bailey 88-87 — 175. Chris Rodriguez 90-90 — 180.
11. Midland Trinity (689) — Mark Stoltz 81-79 — 160. Stephen Stoltz 87-78 — 165. Hunter Kennedy 87-85 — 172. Nathan Pirtle 97-95 — 192. Jamil Driscoll 102-95 — 197.

Medalists

1 (tie). Brad Gibson (Andrews) 77-74 — 151 and J Chris Hubert (Andrews) 76-75 — 151. 3. Evan Hays (Borger) 73-80 — 153.

DIVISION III
Team Results

1. Odessa Permian II 319-311 — 630. 2. Monahans 336-320 — 356. 3. Midland Lee II 330-330 — 660. 4. Midland High II 346-317 — 663. 5. Andrews II 338-334 — 672. 6 (tie). Borger 352-327 — 679 and Seminole 352-327 — 679. 8. Amarillo II 343-343 — 686. 9. Lubbock Coronado 358-329 — 687. 10. Odessa High II 353-340 — 693. 11. Lamesa II 377-374 — 751. 12. Big Spring II 384-377 — 761.

SOFTBALL: Lee gets good experience

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prise team of the tournament, Andrews, to earn the right to play Richland in the title game. Lee came out like a team with momentum, as Maressa Underwood and Patricia Carrasco scored for Lee in the second and Carrasco drove in Yvette Bass in the fourth to give the Lady Rebels a 3-0 lead.

However in the fourth, Richland, which started some non-starters for the championship game knowing it had a loss to fall back on, got in the groove and hammered five straight hits to score four runs. The ball was turned back over to Wilhelmsen who pitched the final two innings and picked up the save for starter Ragen Rutherford.

"That's a bonus that we played everybody," Richland coach Hank Fulkerson said. "We even had three or four of them with clutch hits.

"To win a title is nice and good for the kids. You don't win too many of them. This is our second in the last three years."

For Lee, it was a few more growing pains for a young club. Lee coach Perry Young admitted afterwards this tournament experience is one Lee will be able use in the future.

"We are a new team, a young team and the kids are competing," Young said. "They know when we play good teams, it will pressure the defense and have to learn make plays under pressure."

Lee's defense was shaky on Saturday, making errors which led to four runs in the first two games. Lee also left too many people on base (12 in the first game with Richland). However, the positives probably outweigh the negatives.

Brandi Row and Andrea Rodriguez gave the Rebs good innings inside the pitching circle, and the Lady Rebs had their moments at the plate.

DIVISION II TITLE GAME: Midland High Purple defeated Lee Maroon 5-4 in the second game of the championship round.

MHS (9-1 overall) got 11 hits in the game. Kristen Harris was 3-for-4 with two doubles and a RBI while Belinda Rey was 2-for-3 with an RBI. Also, Teresa Stone had an RBI single in the fourth inning to break a 3-3 tie. Inside the pitching circle, Collin Lange went the distance to improve to 3-1 on the season. Lange, who has three saves, scattered 10 hits and struck out two.

NOTES: Andrews gave Lee a challenge in the Losers' Bracket Final before falling 10-3. Eddie Bane's state tournament qualifier from a year ago, however, came up a bit short.

"We have a lot of young kids," said Bane, whose team fields two seniors. "They came to play and improved every game.

"Lee has a really good team, and for us to stay close, gives credit to the (Andrews) girls."

In the Losers' Bracket semifinal, Andrews and Big Spring faced off in a preview of the upcoming District 4-4A opener.

Andrews rallied from behind to beat Big Spring 15-10 after trailing 7-2 at one point. The big hitter for Andrews who blew open the game with nine runs in the fourth, was Holly Fields. The senior third baseman was 3-for-3 with a two-run homer, two doubles, four runs scored and even pitched the final three innings of the game... Greenwood's Katy Walker had a opposite field home run Saturday against Lee Maroon. Greenwood, however, lost that game 13-1.

Saturday results from the West Texas Classic softball tournament held this weekend at the Bill Williams Softball Complex:

Division I
Championship Game: Richland 4, Midland Lee 3.
Losers Bracket Final: Midland Lee 10, Andrews 3. Andrews takes third.
Winners' Bracket Final: Richland 9, Midland Lee 3.
Losers' Bracket Semifinal: Andrews 15, Big Spring 10. Big Spring finishes fourth.

Consolation Bracket
Semifinal: Odessa Permian 8, El Paso Coronado 0.
Final: Permian 11, El Paso Jefferson 0.

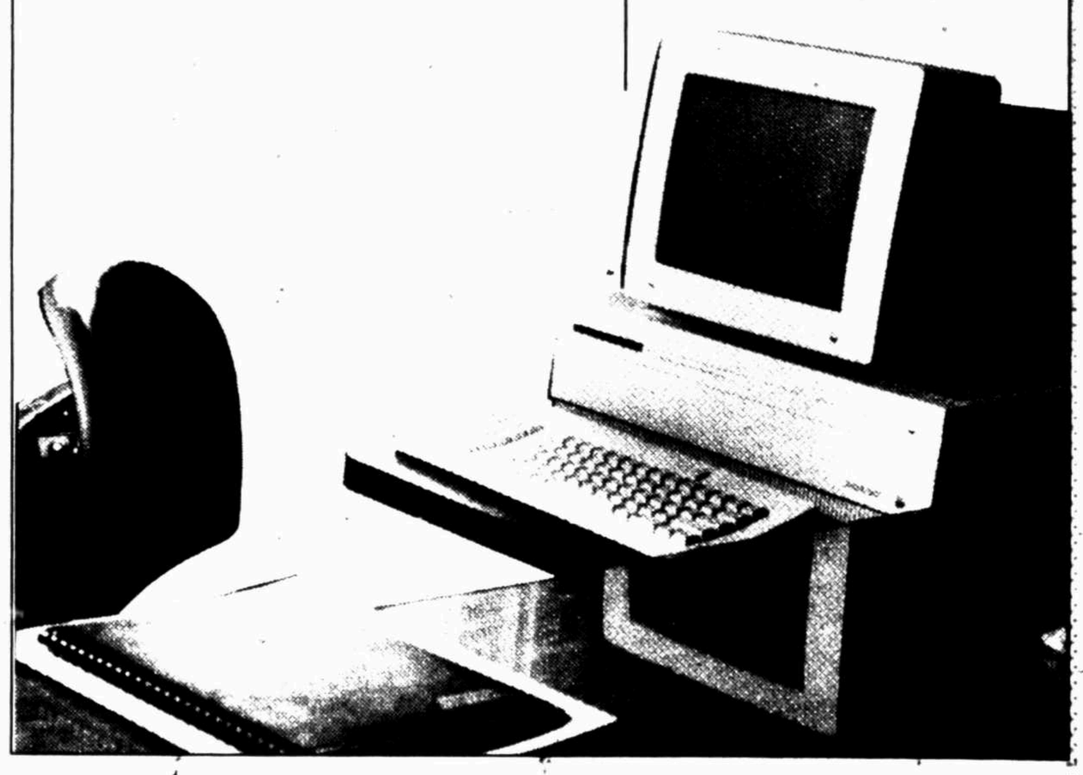
Division II
Championship Game: Midland High Purple 5, Lee Maroon 4.
Championship, First Round: Lee Maroon 7, Midland High Purple 5.
Losers Bracket Final: Lee Maroon 13, Monahans 1. Monahans finishes third.
Winners' Bracket Final: MHS Purple 7, Monahans 6 (8 innings).
Losers Bracket Semifinal: Lee Maroon 13, Greenwood 1. Greenwood finishes fourth.

Consolation Bracket
Final: Odessa Permian JV 10, Midland Christian JV 8.

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Spencer defeats younger Earnhardt in Busch race

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

LAS VEGAS — Jimmy Spencer won the Sam's Town 300 Busch Grand National race, but not without a late challenge Saturday from precocious Dale Earnhardt Jr.

Spencer, a Winston Cup regular who runs a limited BGN schedule, led the last 25 laps of the 200-lap race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, beating Earnhardt to the finish line by 0.211-seconds — about four car-lengths — in the battle of Chevrolet Monte Carlos.

As the leaders took the checkered flag, a melee erupted in the fourth turn. At least six cars were involved in the crash, including two-time defending Busch Series champion Randy LaJoie.

His car wound up sliding on its roof with flames shooting from the rear.

Spencer, 40, who now has eight Busch Series victories, averaged 114.117 mph.

"I really wasn't worried about Dale Jr.," he said. "I was worried about Jeff Burton.

"Then I said, 'Where did Dale come from?' He's like his old man and I love his old man. He raced me clean and I've got to congratulate him for finishing second."

Earnhardt, 23, making only his 12th Busch Series start, passed Daytona Busch winner Joe Nemechek, another Winston Cupper, for second place on lap 196 and pulled right up behind the leader. He tried to stay with Spencer but eventually slipped back.

"Jimmy was pretty strong, and I didn't think I could catch him," Earnhardt said. "On that last lap, we were just going to try to stay smooth and see what happens.

"He kind of tip-toed through turn two and slowed down a little bit. But I was careful not to get into the back of him. He's been known to get you back for something like that.

"I didn't want him to come back on me in turn three."

Earnhardt's best previous finish was seventh last August at Michigan. This time, he felt more confident.

"It seemed like we had the car to beat," he said. "I'm still a little inexperienced as a driver getting on and off pit lane. We're going to have to work on that and you're going to see us in Victory Lane soon."

Nemechek, the winner of the season-opening race at Daytona two weeks ago, wound up third in his Chevy, followed by the Ford of Winston Cup colleague Burton.

"I'm really happy with the way we ran, but I'm thoroughly disgusted with the way we finished," said Burton, who was fourth for the second straight week. "There were some lapped cars that didn't have any chance of making their lap back. They raced us hard and I wish they hadn't."



AP Laserphoto

Joe Nemechek, left, and Mark Martin lead the pack as drivers head out from the pits onto the track to compete in the NASCAR Busch Series' Sam's Town 300 Saturday at the Las Vegas Motor Speedway in Las Vegas.

Drivers expect action-filled Vegas 400

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

LAS VEGAS — Although at times it gets lost in the business of the sport, stock car drivers love racing.

That's one reason why it seems everybody in the 43-car lineup is excited about Sunday's inaugural Las Vegas 400 on the 1 1/2-mile oval at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

According to the Winston Cup stars, the wide, virtually flat track should be just about perfect for pure racing.

"It's going to be one of the best, if not the best, Winston Cup races we've seen in a long time," said Dale Jarrett, who will start from the pole in the 400-mile race. "You're going to see some wild racing on the frontstretch because of how wide it is.

"The surface is smooth as it can be. It's three lanes wide. The transitions from the banking to the straightaways is really good. When you give us a track like this, you're going to see some real race action."

Darrell Waltrip, a three-time Winston Cup champion, echoed that thought.

"It'll be three and four wide going into turn one and single file going out of there," he said. "It'll be exciting."

Ernie Irvan was even more enthusiastic.

"By going off what the Busch Series race was like out here last year, I'm expecting an awesome race," he said. "Busch cars are a lot different than Winston Cup cars, but it's not just a follow-the-leader deal here. You've got lots of room to pass and I think it's going to be a real competitive race.

"Pit stops are going to have to be phenomenal. They're probably going to be more important than anywhere we've gone because you can't afford to lose track position."

Jimmy Spencer thinks the new jewel in the desert will excite more than the drivers.

"I think the fans are going to see a great race," he said. "It's probably one of the most perfect race tracks because it's a handling track. But, most of all, you can pass on it."

If the race turns out as these drivers expect, the beneficiaries the action would be a sellout crowd of about 107,000 and a national TV audience watching the live broadcast on ABC.

The track is located about 10 miles north of the gambling and entertainment mecca, and the arrival of the Winston Cup tour has had the entire area buzzing with anticipation.

Huge billboards fronting the glamorous hotels on the famed Las Vegas Strip have messages this week like "WELCOME NASCAR" and "HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY NASCAR."

The hotels, restaurants and glitzy showrooms have been filled to capacity since midweek, and it seems everybody is talking about racing.

"This is just a very exciting place," said Rusty Wallace, the current series points leader. "The town, the track, the people — it's all just awesome. It really gets your adrenalin going."

Jeff Gordon, the defending series champion, also likes the new experience.

"It's nice to see the city get behind the sport," he said. "I don't know if you would get as much attention in any other city."

And he loves the attention the engineers gave to the racing layout.

"If I was going to build a race track, this is very, very close to what I'd want to see," Gordon said.

Vegas 400 boosts gambling industry

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

LAS VEGAS — Other than putting on successful big events, like heavyweight fights and tennis extravaganzas, the thing that warms the cockles of a Las Vegas casino owner's heart the most is a boost in gambling revenues.

That's why many of the top officials in this town's biggest industry are smiling happily this week — thanks to the inaugural Las Vegas 400 on Sunday.

Thousands of race fans have invaded Las Vegas, and they're spending money.

Vince Magliulo, sports book director for Caesars Palace said, "The Indy 500 and the Daytona 500 traditionally are the biggest races of the year for us. But the handle for this race will surpass the handle of those two combined."

He said the betting on Sunday's race is expected to total nearly $3 million.

All of the sports books in town are taking bets on the inaugural Las Vegas Winston Cup race, with defending series champion Jeff Gordon the favorite. The odds on The Kid winning range from 3-to-1 to 5-to-1, with seven-time Winston Cup champion Dale Earnhardt and current series points leader Rusty Wallace right behind.

More interesting, some of the casinos have gotten so caught up in the excitement of the stock car event that they've gotten creative.

The so-called proposition bets include an over-under on seven caution flags, the finishing position of the top drivers, the best finish by a rookie, the number of drivers to lead the race and horse racing-type bets like quinellas, exactas and trifectas.

ROUND TWO: Jimmy Spencer was the fastest driver Saturday in second round qualifying for the Las Vegas 400.

Spencer, who was 44th among 51 drivers in Friday's qualifying, managed to raise his lap speed from 163.567 to 164.770, jumping all the way to 29th in the 43-car field.

Most of the big names who did not clinch starting spots by qualifying among the top 25 on Friday, including Earnhardt, Terry Labonte and John Andretti, stood on their first-round laps and were among the 36 positions decided by speed.

Besides Spencer, the drivers going fast enough to make the lineup Saturday were Jeremy Mayfield, Mike Skinner and Michael Waltrip. Ken Schrader, rookie leader Kenny Irwin Jr., Ricky Craven, Steve Grissom, Bobby Hamilton, Hut Stricklin and Lake Speed were all added a provisional starters.

■ NASCAR Notes

FIRST WINNER: Jeff Gordon has been good enough and fortunate enough to win the inaugural Winston Cup races at both the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (1994) and California Speedway (1997).

Coming off a victory last week at Rockingham, Gordon is certainly listed among the favorites in Sunday's race. But the 26-year-old racing star isn't confident of his chances, thanks to a recently implemented NASCAR aerodynamic rule that he says gives Fords a automatic advantage.

"I've seen four Fords already put a straightaway on me in about 10 laps (of practice)," Gordon said. "That's not a lot of fun. We're not saying stop those guys. We're saying we've got to get our car better. We don't give up on it. We just keep working on it and trying to get it better."

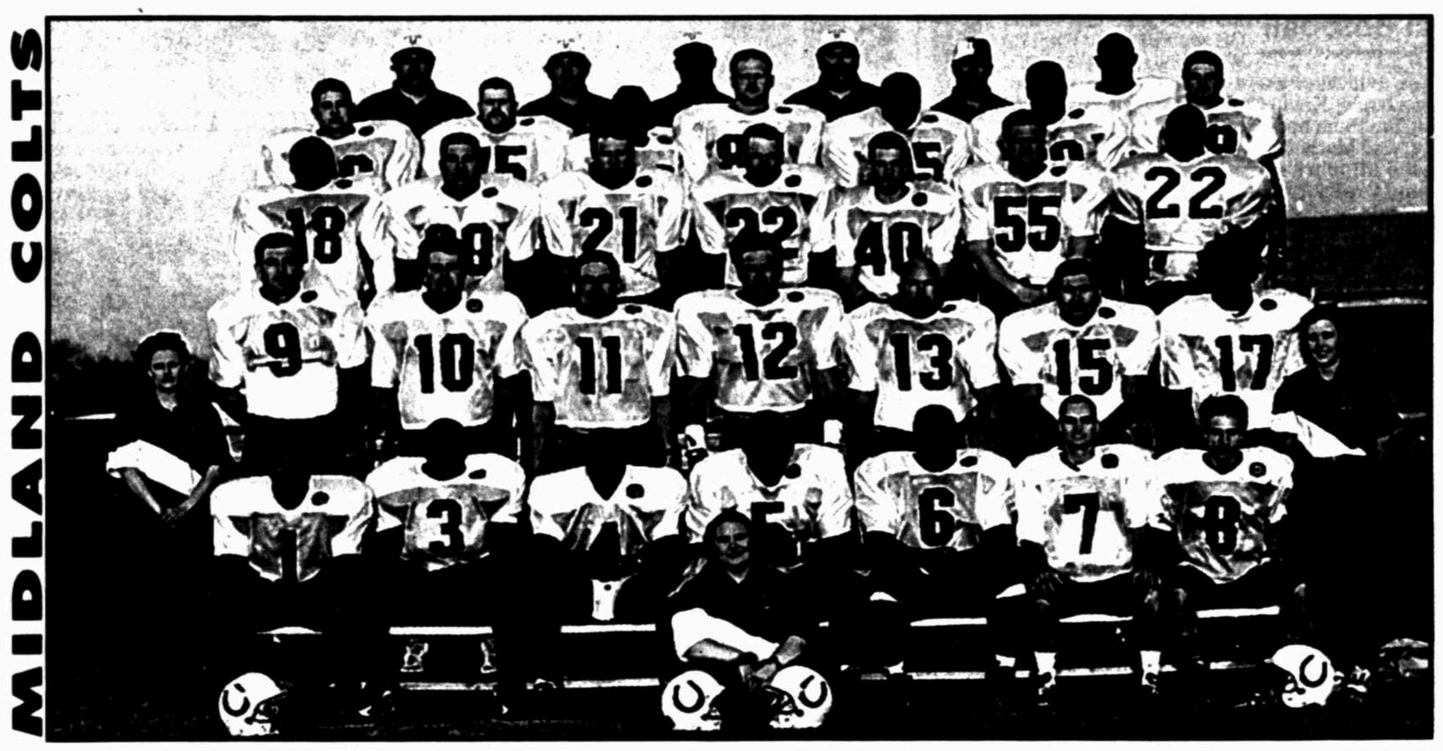
Asked if a first race makes things more equal for everyone because nobody has much experience on the track, he said, "In the past, I've seen it be a really good equalizer. No one knows what really to expect when the race goes on. Maybe guys who ran (last year) in the Busch Grand National race or the Winston West race, I think they've got a little bit of advantage knowing what direction the car is going to go and the track is going to go.

MIDLAND COLTS OPENING GAME

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MIDLAND COLTS 1998 ROSTER

No.	Name	Position	Hght	Wght	High Sch.	College
99	William Ritter	DE	6'2"	255	Odessa	Texas Tech U
95	Patrick Jones	OL/DL	6'0"	250	Midland	Texas A&M
84	Kirk Pshigoda	TE/OL	6'6"	245	White Deer	Midwestern State
75	Glen Aaron	DT	6'6"	285	Lee	
21	David Criswell	FB	6'2"	200	Andrews	
55	James McCracken	LB/DT	5'11"	215	Permian	
7	Whitney Hillin	K/P	5'9"	145	Midland	
85	Shey Marler	DE/DT	6'2"	235	Odessa	Angelo ST/Sul Ross
15	Oscar Valdez	LB/OL	5'11"	212	Lee	
40	Vance Blackwell	CB	5'8"	165	Odessa	Odessa College
8	Chris Lara	WR	5'9"	140	Lee	
69	Tom Walkenshaw	OL/DL	6'2"	250	Midland	
00	Clarence Ross	OL/DL	6'2"	250	Big Spring	
22	Bryan Jones	LB/DB	6'0"	200	Odessa	Texas Tech
10	Dallas Metcalf	QB	6'3"	235	South Dale	North Alabama
5	Mark Johnson	LB/DT	5'11"	260	Midland	Sul Ross St.
2	Ron Pertile	LB	6'0"	200	Lee	Eastern New Mexico
1	Philip Mathews	TB	5'8"	190	Big Spring	Kansas State
11	Len Garza	QB	6'1"	205	Grady	Sul Ross St.
23	Tari Jessie	RB	6'1"	212	Monahans	New Mexico Military
4	Willie Long	SS	6'0"	197	Lee	Arizona Western
86	Phillip Molina	WR	6'0"	188	Monahans	Tarleton State
20	Ben Moore	LB	5'10"	205	Lee	
25	Kirk Thurman	WR	5'5"	170	Lee	West Texas State
71	Brian Johnson	OL/DL	6'3"	275	Clark	Angelo State
9	Sean Holcomb	DE/LB	6'3"	245	Greenwood	Texas A&I
3	Anthony Pertile	FS	6'1"	190	Lee	Eastern New Mexico
66	Brandon Saldivar	OL/DL	6'1"	240	Andrews	
13	Mike Miller II	LB	5'10"	205	Odessa	
6	Willie Neal	FB	6'2"	250	Crane	UTEP
26	Chris Nathman	DB	5'9"	185	Lee	
18	John Washington	CB/WR	5'10"	160	Lee	
82	Undra Graves	WR	6'0"	160	Lee	
92	Macy Thompson	TE/OL	6'2"	240	Reagan Co.	
28	Hasaan Rice	WR	6'0"	180	Permian	
17	John Butts	LB	6'0"	205	Blair	Pasadena City
12	Jeff Metcalf	LB/WR	6'2"	205	Permian	Texas Tech
24	Kevin Shepard	DB	6'0"	220	Norman, OK	SMU
27	Mark Ellis	DB	6'1"	185	Littlefield	Tyler Jr/Temple Univ.

COACHES: **Head Coach: Ray Pierson,** Assistant Coaches: Brad Erwin, John Stout, Jr., Elvin Brown, Jimmy Rogers, Patrick A. Stevens
DOCTORS: Dr. Gary Albertson, Danny White (Emergency Medical Service)
TRAINERS: Dorsey Legendre, Misty Burrell, Angela Patterson
TEAM OWNER: Dennis Yeager of Diamond Oil Well Drilling Company, Inc. (DOWDCO)

MIDLAND COLTS 1998 SCHEDULE*

Sun. 3/1	12:30pm	WITCHIA DRILLERS	Midland
Sun. 3/8	3:30pm	ODESSA JAGUARS	Midland
Sun. 3/15	3:30pm	*MIDLAND GUNSLINGERS*	Midland
Sun. 3/22	12:30pm	BIG SPRING WARRIORS	Midland
Sun. 3/29	2:30pm	OKC THUNDER	OKC Field 2
Sun. 4/5	2:30pm	*ODESSA JAGUARS*	Odessa
Sun. 4/12		EASTER WEEKEND	
Sun. 4/19	1:00pm	*DALLAS AVENGERS*	Dallas
Sun. 4/25		BYE	
Sun. 5/3	2:00pm	*BIG SPRING WARRIORS*	B. Springs
Sun. 5/10		BYE	

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Playoffs begin Saturday, 5/16/98 in locations to be announced. *"Italic"* indicates teams in the same conference. All teams have 4 conference games.

LOCAL SPORTS

MHS netters take first

ODESSA — The Midland High tennis team is on a roll and they put another team championship away here Saturday.

The Bulldogs won the team championship in the ECISD tennis tournament and that is the third team crown in three tournaments this year for MHS.

The biggest coup for MHS came in girls singles where Toffee Wilson won the title, 6-2, 6-3, over teammate Meryl McClung as both made the finals. It was Wilson's second title of the spring. She won two weeks ago in Big Spring.

MHS' Sonia Valdez and Becky Valdez got to the girls doubles finals, but lost to Beverly Dawson and Tisha Corcoran of Odessa Permian, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

Clayton Vandergriff won fifth place in boys singles by beating Big Spring's Devon Swafford, 6-4, 6-1. Travis Vandergriff won the consolation title with a 6-1, 2-6, 6-1 victory over Midland Lee's Brian Breithaupt.

Marlin Geib and Justin Brammer won third place in boys doubles while Bobby Jones and Quillan Harris took fifth place.

In the B Division, Emily Leeton took second place in girls singles, Julie Young and Haley Hightower took second in girls doubles.

MHS next travels to the Austin ISD Invitational on March 6-7.

Lee 3nd, 4th at Tiger Relays

FRENSHIP — The Midland Lee boys track team opened the season here Saturday with a third place finish at the Tiger Relays while the Lee girls took fourth place.

The Lee boys won one event when Gerado Diaz posted a 39.67 seconds to win the 300 hurdles.

The Lee girls won four events, including a new meet record in the 800 relay with a 1:46. Maurion Strambler, Chavaye Glover, Amanda Glover and Toya Clater were on the team. Lee also won the 400 relay with Sharee Whitehead, Glover, Douglas and Clater with a 50.37. Dominica Glover won the shot put and Clater took the triple jump.

Odessa Permian won the boys division while Lubbock Monterey won the girls division. The Lee girls were in second place until the 1600 relay, but placed fourth.

Lee Boys Results

110 High Hurdles: 2. Gerado Diaz, 15.47. 100: 2. J.R. Norman, 11.28; 5. Jason Hernandez, NT. 6. Paul Guerrero, NT. 400: 1. Autry Pryor, 54.6. 2. Ken Myer, 54.92. 300 Hurdles: 1. Diaz, 39.67. 6. T.J. Glover, 43.53. 200: 3. Clint McNutt, 23.60. 400 Relay: 2. Lee (Isaac Washington, McNutt, Norman, Pryor), :45.24. Distance Medley Relay: 3. Lee (Carlos Gonzalez, Raymond Curcio, Jesse Morales, George Hernandez), 13:05.65. Mile Relay: 2. Lee (Diaz, McNutt, Myer, Pryor), 3:33.84. 3200: 3. Curcio, 11:35.26. Triple Jump: 2. Glover, 41-11. Shot Put: 4. Brian Boyd, 43-11 3/4; 6. Rex Richards, 43-5. Discus: 6. Justin Painter, 133-9.

Lee Girls Results

100 High Hurdles: 4. Stephanie Slaughter, 17.57; 6. Deseree McCurley, 17.74. 300 Hurdles: 2. Slaughter, 52.77. 400 Relay: 1. Lee (Sharee Whitehead, Chavaye Glover, Amanda Douglas, Toya Clater), 50.37. 800 Relay: 1. Lee (Maurion Strambler, Glover, Douglas, Clater), 1:46.0 (New Meet Record). 1600 Relay: 4. Lee (Glover, Whitehead, Clater, Douglas), 4:25. Long Jump: 1. Clater, 16-7; 6. Glover, 15-6. Triple Jump: 1. Clater, 33-0; 3. Strambler, 32-7 1/2. Shot Put: 1. Dominica Glover, 34-7 3/4; 3. Christina Brown, 34-1 1/4.

Buffs area-round playoff game set

The Stanton Buffaloes meet Jim Ned at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Merkel in the area round of the Region I-2A playoffs. The Buffs defeated Tahoka 63-55 Friday night, while Jim Ned beat Coahoma 72-54.

NMJC women get No. 4 seed

LEVELLAND — The New Mexico Junior College Lady Thunderbirds are the No. 4 seed in the NJCAA Women's Region V Basketball Tournament thanks to a 73-68 win over Clarendon at the Texan Dome.

Since both teams finish tied at 7-7 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play, a one-game playoff was needed.

The Lady Thunderbirds face No. 1 seed Weatherford at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the first round of the tournament at Chaparral Center.

MHS 2nd, 3rd at Socorro

EL PASO — The Midland High boys track and field team finished second at the Socorro Invitational, while the girls team finished third.

All but one Bulldog who competed for the boys was an underclassmen. The lone senior, Luke Hardaway finished first in the invitational. Also finishing first in his respective event was Raji Hickey in the 200 meters.

For the girls, Amber Dozer led a 1-2-3 sweep in the triple jump with a leap of 33 feet, 6 3/4 inches. She was followed by Keisha Taylor and Tierra Barber. Also taking home a victory was Shai Simpson in the 400 meters with a time of 61.7 seconds.

A total of 14 teams competed in this invitational.

MHS Boys Results

Team Results: 1. El Paso Hanks 130; 2. MHS 110; 3. El Paso Irvin 93.

Individual Results: 100 meters — Weldon Cooks, 2nd. 200 meters — Ray Hickey, 1st. 110 hurdles — AJ Durham, 2nd; Tyler Shumskie, 6th. 300 hurdles — Durham, 3rd. 400 relay — 2nd. (Jimmy Smith, Cooks, Hickey, Jerone Lightfoot). 1600 relay — 3rd. (Hickey, Cooks, Smith, Durham). Discus — Luke Hardaway, 1st. Luke Conder, 5th. Shotput — Cotey-Joe Cswaykus, 4th. Long Jump — Hickey, 5th. Triple Jump — Dantae Jackson, 2nd; DeJuan Andrews, 6th. High Jump — Justin Smith, 5th. Pole Vault — Wes Solansky, 3rd; Jerry Morgan, 6th.

MHS Girls Results

Individual Results: Triple Jump — 1. Amber Dozier 33-6 3/4. 2. Keisha Taylor 32-8 1/2. 3. Tierra Barber 32-3 1/2. Long Jump — 2. Shai Simpson 15-0 1/2. 3. Angie Hatfield 14-10 1/2. 5. Taylor 14 8 3/4. High Jump — 4. Dozier 4-6; 5. Lacey Eberlee 4-6. 100 Hurdles — 2. Mahogony Jones 15.9. 100 — 4. Hatfield 12.5. 800 Relay — 4. (Taylor, Niki Green, Barber, Hilory Davis) 1:54. 400 — 1. Shai Simpson 61.7; 5. Sara Holland 69.2. 300 Intermediate Hurdles — 6. Jones 53.3. 200 — 2. Taylor 27.2; 4. Green 28.8. 1,600 Relay — 3. (Davis, Dozier, Holland, Simpson) 4:26.

Rangers beat Crane, 14-3

MONAHANS — The Greenwood Ranger baseball team defeated Crane 14-3 in the Monahans Baseball Tournament with 11 runs in the first inning.

Blayne Moody picked up the win for the Rangers, who helped Moody's cause with 12 hits on the afternoon. Angel Valles had two doubles and Leland Foster had a double for the Rangers (2-1-1).

Greenwood next plays March 6 at Lubbock Cooper.

Lee JV beats MHS JV

The Midland Lee JV baseball team beat MHS JV 11-8 on Saturday in the MHS JV Tournament.

The winning pitcher for Lee JV was Jonathan Rogers with Blake Crume picking up the save.

For Lee JV (4-1), Scott Worley was 1-for-2 with a three-run home run, Greg Moore went 2-for-5 with a triple and an RBI, James Bohannon was 2-for-4 with a double and an RBI, and Clint Frazier wnet 3-for-3 with two doubles and an RBI.

8th grade girls tournament

Alamo Red won the consolation title in the eighth grade girls Post Season Midland-Odessa basketball tournament Saturday, beating Abell Blue 45-40. Erin Evans led Red with 17 points and Ashley Riggs had 12 while Blue's Chelsie Saldate had a game-high 21 points.

To reach the consolation finals, Alamo Red defeated Goddard Red 46-29. Dana Friesen led Alamo with 12 points while Riggs added 10.

Blue got to the consolation final with a 34-26 win over Goddard Black as Faldate and Sarah Tanner each had seven points.

Goddard eighth wins soccer title

The Goddard eighth grade boys soccer team won the city championship Saturday with a narrow 1-0 win over San Jacinto to finish at 5-0-1 for the year.

Nathan Baca scored the game's only goal and Justin Bradley got the shutout in goal.

This Goddard team also won the city title in the seventh grade last year, so this was a repeat victory.

Jacks bust Brahmas in shootout

By Ted Battles
MRT Correspondent

ODESSA — "I was going for the No. 5 hole all the way," Patrick Lampron said, describing his game-winning goal in the sudden death phase of Saturday night's overtime.

Lampron's goal gave the Odessa Jackalopes a 3-2 win over the powerhouse Fort Worth brahma-sized Brahmas in a rousing WPHL battle at the Jack Shack before 5,289 (full house) roaring fans.

Lampron gave Fort Worth goalie Rob Laurie two dekes and went for the corner.

In the "regulation" overtime, Alex Kholomeyev and Gadis Tseplis scored for the Brahmas while Nick Lamia and Dan Lavergne, the Colby College connection scored for the Jacks.

Odessa goalie Billy Pye then turned back Terry Menard, a 112-point scorer, and Laurie foiled Sami Laine, who scored his 49th goal and contributed an assist, earlier. That set up Lampron.

This was a bone-jarring, board-rattling, tooth loosening battle of attrition and, amazingly, there was nary a fight.

"It was a great game," admitted Lampron. "They are a lot bigger than we are, but we play big."

"A lot bigger" is a classic understatement. Five Brahmas, who better not stray too close to the Cowtown stockyards, go over 225 pounds. Fourteen go over 200 and only goalie Laurie is under 195.

"It was a great hockey game," said Coach Joe Clark, "good, clean hard-hitting hockey. It gave the fans a good taste of what it will be like in the future."

Laine got his 49th goal 1:50 into the second period on passes from Lavergne and Jacque Rodrique for a 1-0 Jack lead.

Laine appeared headed for No. 50 with a break away from neutral ice, but he crossed up the defense with a pass to Shayne LeBreton, playing his first game after a 10-game suspension.

"I split the defense, driving in from left side, and Sami's pass threaded the needle.," LeBreton said.

"Coming back, I was a little nervous and I got a little tired at the end of each period, but it was good to get back on the ice," LeBreton added.

Shayne's goal at 9:59 of the second, put the Brahmas in a stampede mode. Before the period was over they rained 21 shots on Pye. Chris Albert grabbed a loose puck after a smashing hit on Lavergne caught everybody's attention and soloed in on Pye at 11:01.

Cosmo DuPaul tied it for Fort Worth at 10:31 of the third period after crisp setup passes by Stephane Larocque and Tseplis sent Pye sprawling across the crease.

This was the kind of defensive game in which each team survived 5 on 3 attacks.

The win for the 23-36-6 Jacks makes their Shootout record 8-5. For the 38-16-11 Brahmas, they are 5-11 in shootouts.

"Our defense played well, Ryan (Connolly), Jacque (Rodlrique), Derek (Pajot), and Lamp (Patrick). They had to to keep us alive in a game like this."

Pye, now 17-17-2, had a busy night turning back 39 of 41 shots while Laurie, 27-11-10, made 19 saves, but some were brilliant. Margettie, Laine, Lavergne and Paul Fioroni all had breakaways swept away.

JACK SLAP SHOTS: Austin comes to Odessa Tuesday and New Mexico will be here Thursday as the Jacks continue a very important phase of the season, playoffs or no. Coach Clark must make decisions on next year's personnel and since the Jacks are finishing with a playoff caliber team, it's going to be tough. Figuring in the equation is the six "must" rookies on next year's roster....An hour before game time, there were only 82 tickets left... Odessa's win was the first in four games with Fort Worth this year... Ryan Equale suffered a knee injury in the second period, but came back to play after a 10 minutes in the dressing room. "I just hope it doesn't hurt like this tomorrow," Equale said.

Odessa 3, Fort Worth 3 SO

Fort Worth	0	1	1	0	—2
Odessa	0	2	0	1	—3

First Period: No Scoring.

Second Period: 1. OD Laine 49 (Lavergne 35, Rodrique 10) pp 1:50. 2. OD LeBreton 2 (Laine 26) 9:59. 3. FW Albert 19 11:01.

Third Period: 4. FW DuPaul 35 (Larocque 50, Tseplis 43) 10:31.

Shots on Goal: Fort Worth 11-21-9-41. Odessa 8-7-6-21. **Goalie:** FW Laurie 19 of 21 saves. Odessa, Pye 39 of 41. **Penalties:** Fort Worth 5-10. Odessa 4-8. **Power Plays:** FW 0-4, Odessa 1-5. Attendance: 5289. Ref: Chris Schiff. Linesmen: Doug Wittig, David Knight.

MC's Ferrie enjoys record-setting day

Staff Report

ROSWELL, N.M. — Midland College's Kenneth Ferrie set two tournament records on the way to winning medalist honors in the Bronco Invitational Junior College golf tournament here Saturday.

Ferrie's first round 64 was a tournament record, finishing with a record 15-under 201.

Western Texas College defeated MC for the team title for the second week in a row, despite one of the best team rounds in MC golf history.

MC golf coach Delnor Poss said that the 34-under par 830 team total was the third best 54-hole total in Chap golf history. Ferrie's score for 54 holes was the second best ever for a Chap. And even with that effort, WTC won by seven strokes with a 41-under 823.

Last week, Nathan Goulding turned in a round of 64 in Snyder.

"It was a great performance for the entire team with four players finishing under par," Poss said. "I am extremely proud of the entire team. They performed exceptionally well under very difficult playing conditions on Friday (35 degrees with wind and snow)."

Charlie Prince, 4-under; Mark Loftus, 4-under; and Fraser McLaughlan, 3-under; joined Ferrie on the all-tournament team.

Team Standings: Western Texas College 823, Midland College 830, New Mexico JC 866, New Mexico Military 877, Midland College No. 2 886, Odessa College 887, Air Force Academy 905, Regis College 917, Air Force No. 2 921, Odessa College No. 2 934, Panhandle State 975.

MC No. 1 Scores: Kenneth Ferrie, 64-71-66-201; Charlie Prince, 68-74-70-212; Mark Loftus, 67-75-70-212; Fraser McLaughlan 73-70-70-213; Nathan Goulding, 76-67-75-218.

MC No. 2 Scores: Josh Jacobs, 70-73-72-215; Thomas Brantley, 75-70-75-220; Scott Rundell, 74-74-73-221; Steve Everest, 77-75-78-230.

Rebels claim Lewisville trophy

Staff Report

LEWISVILLE — The Midland Lee baseball team took home the Lewisville Baseball, Tournament first-place trophy with a 10-6 win over Arlington High in the championship game Saturday.

Earlier in the day, Lee defeated The Colony 9-0 with a complete-game shutout by Aaron Erdwrum. The Rebels (7-0) won five games in the tournament to claim the crown among the 16 teams in the tourney.

"The kids showed a lot of courage in this tournament," said Lee coach Jesse Benavidez. "We were behind in some of the games but fought back. It was a total team effort."

Lee had to fight back in the championship game against AHS as the Rebels fell behind 3-1 early in the game. The Rebels stormed back with seven runs in the fifth inning. Jamie Latshaw got the win for the Rebels, going six innings, allowed five hits, had five strikeouts and walked two. Eric Clodfelter picked up the save. Offensively for the Rebels, Stacy Jones was 1-for-4 with a run; Ryan Klatt 1-3 with two runs, an RBI and and home run in the sixth; Matt Whitaker 1-2 with two RBI and a run scored; Kevin Crawford 2-3 with two RBI, and a home run; Marc Mathews was 1-3 with an RBI and a double; and Matt Watson was 1-for-2 with and RBI.

Against The Colony, Erdwurm allowed three hits, had seven strikeouts, and allowed just one walk. Offensively, Charlie Whittle was 1-for-3 with a run and RBI; Whitaker was 2-3 with two runs scored, an RBI and a triple; Kevin Crawford 1-3 with a run and an RBI; Adrian Pena had a three-run home run in the third inning; and Mathews was 2-3 with a run and RBI.

■ Local Baseball

Making the all-tournament team was Erdwurm, Whitaker and Crawford.

Midland High falls in quarters

FORT WORTH — The Midland High boys baseball team fell to Azle 8-5 in the tournament quarterfinals Saturday at the Boswell Tournament.

Midland High held a 5-0 lead over Azle after three innings, but allowed eight runs the rest over the last three innings, including five runs in the fourth.

The Bulldogs had six hits to go with three errors in the field. Azle had seven hits and two errors. No individual statistics for Midland High were called in.

Azle went on to beat Brewer 5-2 in the semifinals before losing to Boswell High School 9-7 in the final.



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Booster Clubs...

The **Midland Lee Baseball Booster club** will meet each Thursday during the baseball season at 7:30 p.m. in the Lee High School Library....

The **Lee Softball Booster Club** will meet on the first Thursday of every month. Meetings will be held at 7 p.m. in the Lee High School cafeteria...

The **Midland High Soccer Booster Club** is holding its meetings in Conference Room A at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of each month through April...

The **Midland Lee Soccer Booster Club** is holding meetings on March 2 and March 16 at 7 p.m. at the Lee library...

Golf...

Masters Golf will offer a junior golf clinic during spring break beginning March 10-12. Times are 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for golfers age 9-11 and 11 a.m. to noon for those 12-15. The cost is $39 and clubs are available if needed. The clinic is limited to the first paid entries per age group. For more information or to sign up, please call 570-4499...

Hogan Park is holding a two-person tournament March 14. The tournament is 27 holes with a nine-hole scramble, nine-hole low ball and a nine-hole alternate shot format. Tee times will begin at 10 a.m. All partners handicaps must be within six strokes of each other. The entry fee is $40 per person and entries are limited to the first 40 paid teams. Deadline to enter is Mar. 11 at 6 p.m...

The **Ladies Golf League** is being conducted April 9 through June 25 at Hogan Park Golf Course, with nine holes being played each Thursday evening. There will be one tournament each month with a fee of $36 for the full three months or by paying $8.50 for each Thursday played. Registration can be made by calling 685-7360 or faxing 686-1624 by 6 p.m. each Wednesday...

Midland Lee Youth Center is holding its first fundraising two-person scramble tournament Monday, March 23 at the Club at Mission Dorado. There will be an 8:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. tee time with an entry fee of $100 per player. Deadline to enter is March 18. For more information, call Mark Smith at 689-1675 or fax 689-1676...

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $35 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. There will also be a pre-school excercise class offered in conjunction with the 9 a.m. water aerobics class. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. Deep and shallow water classes are offered. For information, call Julie Harvey at 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is offering beginning diving lessons throughout the school year in its indoor heated Olympic Diving Pool. Participants need to be able to swim in deep water. The COM diving progran also offers competitive team practice and competitions for most ability levels all year long. Please contact coach Maxwell for more information at 684-7755...

The **Alamo YMCA Aquatics Program** is offering swimming lessons for all ages. Children are placed in classes according to age and ability. The Skip class, for children three months to three years is a parent participation class while the Pers classes are for children 3-5 and Progressive classes are for children 6 and up. Lessons are also offered for adults. Safety is taught in conjunction with the classes. Group and private lessons are available. For more information, call 694-2528...

The Alamo YMCA is offering **water aerobics.** Swimming ability is not necessary to participate. For more information, call 694-2528...

COM Aquatics - Learn to Swim year round lessons for both children (3 years of age or older) and adults wishing to learn to swim or improve technique. Private or group lessons (limit four students per instructor) are available. Children are grouped by age and ability. A session normally consists of eight 30-minute lessons. Please call 684-7755 for more details...

Volleyball...

Registration for **YMCA youth volleyball** for boys and girls in grades 3-8 is underway. The fee is $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. For more information, call 682-2551...

Basketball...

The **Boys & Girls Club** of Midland is offering a youth coed basketball league for children in the following grade divisions: 1st & 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th. The league is scheduled to start this month. Registration is now being taken for all three grade divisions. A $15 fee will be charged. This fee includes the 1998 Club membership, 10-game season, t-shirt and tournament. Participants may register at any of the club's three locations. Registration will continue until all teams are filled. For more information call one of the clubs nearest you after 2 p.m. daily — Halff Park Unit, 110 E. New Jersey, 683-5297; Taylor Park Unit, 1321 S. Goode, 683-0050, NE/YMCA Unit. 2800 Butternut, 682-8469. Volunteer coaches are needed for all three grade divisions...

St. Mary Central Catholic School in Odessa will conduct the **SMCCS Indoor 3-on-3 Tournament** on March 21. The entry fee is $80 per team and the deadline is March 14 and limited to the first 16 teams to play. Call Manny Salazar at 580-5704 or 557-2833...

The Midland Lee Youth Center is holding midnight basketball for boys and girls in grades 4-12 this summer June 23-August 1, Monday-Friday from 6-11 p.m. All adults interested in coaching should attend a meeting Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. at the Midland Youth Center. The entry fee for the program, sponsored by the City of Midland, is $100 for college age players forming their own teams, free for everybody else. For more information, call Barbara Phillip at 689-1175...

Mike Kunstadt's Seventh Annual Nike Great American Spring Weekend Shootout will be held for boys to play in front of coaches and scouts. The shootout will be held on March 22 at Coppell High School, April 4 at Spring H.S., April 5 at Clear Creek H.S., April 11 at Arlington Martin H.S., April 26 at Lubbock Monterey and May 3 in San Antonio. For more information, call 972-254-3657...

Softball...

The **West Texas Heat 11 and under girls fastpitch team** is holding spring tryouts this month to fill openings for the upcoming season. The team will be participating in the B division during the upcoming season and playing in the competitive division of the Midland Odessa Competitive League. For more information, call Murray Hambrick at 570-7914 or 687-4018...

The **West Texas Wind Fundraiser Tournament** is scheduled March 13-15 at Hidalgo Park. The men's tournament is a double elimination format with a three home run limit. There will be a home run derby Saturday, March 14 at noon. The entry fee is $125 with a March 11 deadline. For more information, call Terry Legendre at 694-1501 after 5 p.m...

The Midland Softball Association will host the **A-1 Embroidery Classic Softball Tournament** March 20-22. The tournament has a two-game guarantee with a $110 entry fee. Class C and D rule will apply. Entry deadline is March 18. For more information, call 683-8741 or 520-8409...

M.U.G.S. is looking for fastpitch umpires for league play, which begins in April. Anyone wishing to umpire should contact Mack Gipson at 520-5961 or come to a meeting in the umpire bulding inside the Bill Williams Complex at Hogan Park each Wednesday at 7 p.m...

The **14th Annual Merchants/ T.P.C. Spring Classic Mens Class C Softball Tournament** will be held in Andrews on March 13-15. For more information, call James at 570-7371, Marvin at 523-3014 and Nick at 367-0230...

Registration for **adult softball teams** is underway through the Midland Softball Association until March 16. Entry fee is $250 per team and $10 player fees. Call 683-8741 for more information...

Rattlesnake Men's Softball Tournament will be held March 13-14 in Sweetwater. Entry fee is $120. Call Danny Escobar at 1-915-235-9202 for information...

Baseball...

The **Midland Junior Baseball Association** will hold signups for all area players. The signup includes T-Ball (ages 5-6), Machine Ball (age 7), Little League (8-12), Junior League (age 13), Senior League (14-15) and Big League (16-18). Signups will be at Crestview Baptist Church Student Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Applications will be available at Stadium Sports and Play It Again Sports for late signup through the end of February. For more information, call Bill Rigney at 687-3133. Please, do not call Crestview Baptist Church...

The **Little League of Midland Challenger Division** is beginning its season. This division includes all children ages 6 through 18 with physical and mental disabilities which prevent them from playing in regular division. Players are assisted by buddies who help as needed. Buddies can use this activity as community service hours. Play will begin March 28th at the North Central Little League's Kelly Field. If you are interested in playing, coaching or being a buddy, please call 697-6536...

Football...

Quanah High School needs a varsity opponent in football for the fourth game next year. Interested parties can contact coach Jim Wood at Quanah High School at 940-663-2791...

The **Midland Colts Semi-Pro** football team will be practicing at Alamo High Junior High every Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon and 2-4 p.m. and Sundays from 2-4 p.m. Spectators are welcome...

Tennis...

The **Spring Break Tennis Camp** will take place March 9-13 at the Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club. The deadline for entry is March 5. Call 689-2237 or 683-5360. The cost is only $4 an hour for all beginner classes. Advanced groups also available.

Spring Break Tennis Camp begins March 10 and runs through the 13th. The camp is separated into four divisions: Munchkins (ages 4-6) at 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for $40; Tiny Tots (ages 6-8) from 10:30 a.m. to noon for $60; Hot Shots (ages 8-12) from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for $80 and tournament trainers from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for $80. For more information call David Mendez at 682-0022...

Miscellaneous...

The **Flatlanders Ski Club** is planning the following trips: Lake Louise, Canada, March 22-29 and New Zealand, July 24-Aug. 1...

Gymnastics classes are being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. Parent-tot, grade school and tumbling classes are available. There will also be an advanced team class by tryout only. The staff is certified by USA Gymnastics. For more information, call Megan Rodriguez at 684-7755...

The **Alamo YMCA Gymnastics Program** is offering classes for all age groups from toddlers to age 17. Parent-tot, beginners, advanced beginners, pre-teams and competitive teams are all offered. For more information, contact Stephanie Barr at 694-2528...

Prep Hoops Playoffs

Girls Region I Playoffs
Class 5A
Regional Semifinals
Amarillo Palo Duro 46, Duncanville 33
Lubbock Coronado 69, Flower MoundMarcus 66
Saturday's Championship
Amarillo Palo Duro 80, Lubbock Coronado 74

Class 4A
Region Semifinals
Canyon Randall 50, Stephenville 46
Granbury 58, Canyon 57
Final
Canyon Randall 50, Granbury 46

Class 3A
Regional Tournament Semifinals
Dimmitt 58, Aledo 54
Comanche 53, Slaton 43
Saturday's Championship Game
Comanche 61, Dimmitt 51

Class 2A
Regional Tournament Semifinals
Shallowater 49, Abernathy 45
Ozona 44, Panhandle 36
Saturday's Championship
Ozona 38, Shallowater 36

Class A Region II
Region Tournament Semifinals
Sands 58, Brock 47
Ponder 59, Menard 54
Saturday's Championship
Ponder 57, Sands 55

Boys Region I Playoffs
Class 5A
Area Round
Midland High 95, El Paso Eastwood 68
El Paso Hanks 61, Abilene High 59
Carrollton Newman Smith 75, Arlington Martin 63
Duncanville 66, Dunbar 59
El Paso Bel Air 54, Amarillo High 51
Permian 70, EP Jefferson 46
Flower Mound Marcus 58, Arlington Bowie 46
Irving MacArthur 68, Crowley 62
Region Quarterfinals
Midland High (31-2) vs. El Paso Hanks (26-2), 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Pecos HS gym.
El Paso Bel Air (24-11) vs. Permian (21-12), 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sul Ross.
Carrollton Newman Smith (27-6) vs. Duncanville (27-5), TBA
Flower Mound Marcus (27-4) vs. Irving MacArthur (27-7), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Grapevine.

Class 4A
Regional Round
Lamesa 65, Sweetwater 58
Western Hills 67, Justin Northwest 41
Canyon Randall 52, El Paso Riverside 47
Graham 56, FW Polytechnic 53
Regional Semifinals
Lamesa (30-2), vs. Western Hills (22-10), 7 p.m., Tuesday, Abilene's Hardin Simmons.
Canyon Randall (23-7), vs. Graham (25-7), 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Vernon.

Class 3A
Bi-District
Tulia 56, Lubbock Cooper 47
Greenwood 54, Mountain View 44
Merkel 69, Vernon 59
FW Diamond Hill Jarvis 70, Clifton 69
Dimmitt 70, Seminole 69
Clint 67, Sonora 64, OT
Clyde 81, Childress 61
Bridgeport 66, Glen Rose 51
Area Round
Tulia (32-0) vs. Greenwood (19-12), 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Lubbock Monterey.
Merkel (25-6) vs. Fort Worth Diamond Hill-Jarvis (19-7), 7 p.m., Monday, Cisco High School.
Dimmitt vs. Clint (19-11), TBA
Clyde (31-2) vs. Bridgeport (19-10), 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Cisco High School.

Class 2A
Bi-District
Wellington 46, Canadian 45
New Deal 49, Hale Center 48
Iraan 68, Shallowater 86, 3OT
Eula 62, Eldorado 60
West Texas High 59, Clarendon 54.
Lockney 60, Idalou 56
Stanton 63, Tahoka 55.
Jim Ned 72, Coahoma 54.
Area Round
Wellington (15-11) vs. New Deal (19-13), 7 p.m., Tuesday, Amarillo Caprock.
Iraan (15-12) vs. Eula (27-6), 7 p.m., Tuesday, San Angelo Central.
West Texas High (21-10) vs. Lockney (17-6), 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Canyon
Stanton (18-1) vs. Jim Ned (23-6), 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Merkel.

Class A
Area Round
Sudan 65, Hermleigh 61
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Eden 57, Bronte 38
Balmorhea 60, Valentine 49
Ponder 68, Windthorst 79
Brock 63, Cross Plains 55
Sterling City 47, Christoval 46
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Regional Quarterfinals
Sudan vs. Lipan/Evant Winner
Eden (21-7) vs. Balmorhea (24-2)
Ponder (24-10) vs. Brock (30-5)
Sterling City (21-7) vs. Irion County (19-9)

REGION: Palo Duro going to state

(From 1C)

record while Coronado ends its season at 28-8. PD has also walked through District 4-5A in the playoffs, eliminating both Midland High (61-45) and San Angelo Central (84-47).

Amarillo Palo Duro 80, Lubbock Coronado 74

Amarillo Palo Duro (31-4): April Gardner, 1-1 0-0 2; Julie Tudman, 2-6 0-2 5; Carmesh Phillips 3-6 2-2 8; Kirstin, 1-2 0-0 2; Monica Trimble, 3-6 7-8 13; Casey Jackson, 6-10 4-4 16; Geronica Tucker, 4-7 3-4 11; Lakishia Harper, 8-10 3-3 19; Christie White, 2-6 0-2 4. **Totals: 30-54 19-25 80.**

Lubbock Coronado (28-8): Ginny Toon, 1-3 2-4 5; Erika Valek, 14-21 4-7 32; Julie Owen, 2-2 0-0 4; Roni Hernandez, 2-4 0-0 4; Kendra Smith, 1-6 7-8 9; Shelbye Williams, 2-7 2-2 6; Kelcie Kopf, 2-4 0-0 5; Geanna Day 0-1 0-0 0; Lauren Dunnven, 0-1 2-2 2; Katie Hand, 2-4 2-5 6; Shatam Thiel, 0-0 1-2 1. **Totals: 26-53 20-30 74.**

Amarillo Palo Duro	**22**	**22**	**18**	**18**	**—80**
Lubbock Coronado	**13**	**18**	**25**	**18**	**—74**

Three-Point Goals: PD 1-5 (Tudman 1-1, Owens 0-1, Tucker 0-2, White 0-1); LC 2-7 (Toon 1-3, Valek 0-1, Hernandez 0-1, Smith 0-1, Kopf 1-1). **Total Fouls:** PD 25, LC 23. **Fouled Out:** PD 2 (Tucker, Harper); LC 1 (Hand). **Rebounds:** PD 30 (Jackson 6, White 6, Harper 6), LC 25 (Smith 8). **Turnovers:** PD 28, LC 27.

FOOTBALL: Midland hosts doubleheader

(From 1C)

City. For the Colts, playing semi-pro football is nothing new as they made a trip to the United States Independent Football League Championship game last year. The Gunslingers are hoping to equal or go beyond the Colts' success of last year.

The teams will be playing doubleheader home games for the next four weeks before heading for the road in the final four games. Tickets for the doubleheader is $8 for adults and $5 for kids. If you just want to watch one of the games, tickets are $5 and $3.

Success is expected from each of the franchises.

Midland Colts

The Colts are in a rematch of last year's USIFL championship game against Wichita Falls, who defeated the Colts 25-15 to claim the crown. Second-year Colts coach Ray Pierson expects his Colts to be just as good or even better than last year.

"We're going to aim high this year because we've already set the standard, so we're going to live by that standard," Pierson said. "We know that all the other teams are going to be after us. When you're at the top, everybody wants to knock you off. Starting with the Drillers, this first game is going to be a good test.

"It's become a little rivalry. We enjoy playing them and they enjoy playing us. If we go off last year, it's going to be a real good game. I think the team that has fewest turnovers and less mistakes will win the game."

Playing in this new league may be like starting over with the Colts. Other than the Drillers, Pierson and his team face plenty of unknowns this season.

"With the new teams, it's hard to evaluate each team because we haven't seen them yet," Pierson said. "We're kind of going in blind. Except for the Drillers, we kind of know what they're going to be doing."

Like last year, the Colts' defense should be the strong point on this team.

"If it wasn't for our defense last year, I don't how far we would've gone," Pierson said. "But defense wins championships for you. Basically we're staying with the same thing we did last year. We've changed some few things to give different looks on defense."

Defense has all-stars coming back in defensive end William Ritter, free safety Anthony Pertile, and strong safety Willie Long. The success of the Colts last year also brought some great players out to tryouts this year. One of those new players is defensive end Sean Holcomb, who was a standout at Texas A&M Kingsville (formerly Texas A&I), and Pierson said it is a treat to have him on the team.

On offense, the Colts have the top USIFL rusher returning from last year in Philip Mathews, who averaged 6.8 yards per carry last season. Returning to open up holes for Mathews on the line are Patrick Jones (6-0, 250) and Tom Walkenshaw (6-2, 250). The Colts also have speedy Undra Graves back to lead the receiving corps. At quarterback will either be Dallas Metcalf, who played college ball at Northern Alabama, or Len Garza, who played at Sul Ross State.

This first game should be a good starting point for the Colts, who look to get better from last year and improve as the season goes.

"I'm glad we're starting off with a team like the Drillers," Pierson said. "Even though its the first game, it'll tell us what we need to do. In this first game we'll try to go 50-50 run and pass. On the offensive side of the ball, it's important to see if we can execute. On the defensive side of the ball, I'm pretty happy with the personnel we've got right now."

Midland Gunslingers.

Although new to the world of semi-pro football, the Gunslingers fully expect to compete for the AFLA championship this season. And just like the Colts, the Gunslingers face plenty of unknowns.

"We're ready for it but we really don't know what we're going to face," said Gunslingers coach Preston Wright about the first game with the Avengers. "We don't know what Dallas does other than what we've been told. Our guys are all excited, they're ready to go and I think we're going to have a real good game against them.

"We're wanting to win the game but we also want to look at everybody on the team. We haven't had a scrimmage yet so we're going to do a lot of looking. We've got a team that can play and win."

Part of the problem of getting a semi-professional team started was getting players to practice because they've all got jobs and busy schedules to attend to. Wright has plenty of confidence when the Gunslingers steps out onto the grid iron that they will be successful.

"We're a family. We're all out here for each other," he said.

The Gunslingers do appear to have depth with a full roster of 50 players on the squad.

The offense will run, run and run some more with the wishbone being the main set. The Gunslingers can have a power running game with the talent they have in James Lee, Duane Roberts and Lenny Long at halfbacks, Kevin Dumas at fullback, and quarterback Mike Campbell in the backfield.

"With the depth we have at halfback, it's been hard to pick a starter," Wright said.

On defense, the Gunslingers are expected to run the 4-3 as the base set. On the line will be Ron Wright, Brock Haynes, Jeff Ford, and Tim Wells. Linebackers are Anthony Williams, Richard Jackson and former Colt Whit Shields clogging the middle. In the secondary are Nathan Moore, Tommy Jones, Bobby Lee, and Mory Walker.

For Wright, the expectations this year is not only to win it all this year but also have players go onto the next level.

"Some of these players have a chance to move up to the CFL. If I see one guy go up there, I'm going to be happy," Wright said.

SWIM: Goodwin gets silver

(From 1C)

on the far wall she would have hit the turn with more power."

But Goodwin still ranks among the best high school female backstrokers in the state with her three medals. Her time Saturday was more than a half second better than the 57.50 she swam in the preliminaries. She said she thought about it being her last race as a high school swimmer near the finish.

"There was a point where I could have just stopped. I didn't know what place I was in," Goodwin said. "But I just said, 'I can't stop now, I've worked all year for this.'"

Goodwin held her place in the earlier 50 freestyle consolation final, although her time (24.35) wasn't as good as her prelim time (24.10).

"She actually swam it better in the last half than (Friday)," Carson said. "She came off the wall in eighth place and just exploded to finish second."

The second place finish in the backstroke made for a satisfying end to a stellar high school career for Goodwin.

"I'm fine with silver," Goodwin said. "I've gotten three medals and I've gotten all-American. It's a lot of fun. I ended it on a good note."

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Cards' McGwire hits moonshot in his first official spring game

Associated Press

Mark McGwire picked right up where he left off.

In the St. Louis Cardinals' first official game of the spring, McGwire hit a 450-drive onto the upstairs balcony of the Expos clubhouse beyond left field, highlighting a 5-0 victory Saturday.

"It's nice to be in situations like that right away, where you have to prepare yourself for a run batted in," said McGwire, who also singled in a run in the first. "In those kinds of situations, I just try to get the ball into the outfield."

McGwire, acquired from Oakland last July 31, hit 58 homers last year, becoming the first player since Babe Ruth to hit 50 or more in consecutive seasons.

St. Louis went ahead in the first at Jupiter, Fla., when Royce Clayton led off with a walk, stole second, took third on an infield out and came home on McGwire's single off loser Carlos Perez on a 3-2 pitch.

"That was just good baseball," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "We've got a lot of weapons if we can get guys on base."

Three games were wiped out by rain: Detroit vs. Cleveland, Kansas City vs. Houston and Tampa Bay vs. Florida.

Rangers 8, Red Sox 6

At Port Charlotte, Fla., Scott Sheldon hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning as Texas overcame a pair of homers by Mo Vaughn.

Vaughn's two-run homer off Bobby Witt and Reggie Jefferson's solo shot put Boston ahead in the first. Troy O'Leary homered in the fourth off John Wetteland and Vaughn homered in the fifth off Roger Pavlik.

■ Spring Games

Boston pitcher Chris Bosio, who missed last season with knee problems, left in the seventh inning after feeling pain in his pitching shoulder. He allowed two runs and retired just one batter.

Orioles 7, Dodgers 5

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Harold Baines homered and Cal Ripken had two hits in Baltimore's opener.

Baines' two-run homer off Frank Lankford gave Baltimore a 4-2 lead in the fourth inning. Ripken, who went 2-for-2, doubled ahead of Baines before leaving for a pinch-runner.

Todd Zeile and Adam Riggs homered for the Dodgers.

Blue Jays 3, Phillies 0

At Clearwater, Fla., Juan Samuel hit a long homer and five Toronto pitchers limited Philadelphia to three hits.

Phillies center fielder Lenny Dykstra made his first appearance since May 1996. In his comeback from back and knee injuries, Dykstra struck out in the first and reached on an error in the second.

The game was called with one out in the top of the ninth inning after a brief but hard rain.

Braves 3, Mets 2

At Kissimmee, Fla., Fausto Tejero singled home the winning run in the 11th inning and six pitchers combined on a four-hitter.

Braves starter Dennis Martinez allowed one run and two hits in two innings. Martinez, 42, was released by Seattle last May but is trying to come back as a non-roster player.

Adrian Ochoa, a non-roster player, pitched a hitless 11th for the victory.

Yankees 10, Pirates 0

At Tampa, Fla., Rookie Mike Jerzembeck allowed one hit in three innings and Paul O'Neill hit a two-run homer. Jerzembeck, considered a longshot to become the Yankees No. 5 starter, struck out two and walked none.

Derek Jeter went 2-for-3 for the second consecutive game, singling home a run in the first. Mariano Rivera pitched the ninth in his first spring appearance.

Reds 5, Twins 4

At Fort Myers, Fla., Tim Marx singled home Pat Watkins with the go-ahead run in the 10th inning, and Cincinnati overcame a four-run deficit.

Marty Cordova and Denny Hocking homered off Mike Remlinger as Minnesota built its lead. Cincinnati tied the score with a pair of runs in the ninth, when Eric Owens hit an RBI triple and scored on Lenny Harris' groundout.

Athletics 6, Angels 2

At Tempe, Ariz., Scott Spiezio homered as Oakland beat up on Anaheim for the second straight day, piling up 16 runs and 24 hits in the two games.

Oakland starter Jimmy Haynes, the winner, pitched two hitless innings and struck out two. Angels starter Allen Watson, the loser, allowed four runs and four hits in two innings.

Rockies 5, Giants 4

At Scottsdale, Ariz., Jalal Leach lost Greg Colbrunn's fly ball in the sun and it dropped for a two-run double in the eighth that broke a 3-all tie.

Leach hit a two-out, run-scoring single in the ninth but Curtis Leskanic came back to get Rich Aurilia to fly out to shallow center. Mike Munoz got the win with an inning of scoreless relief.

San Francisco tied it 3-all in the sixth on a sacrifice fly by Charlie Hayes and Brian Johnson's pinch RBI single.

Diamondbacks 3, White Sox 1

At Tucson, Ariz., starter Brian Anderson pitched two perfect innings and five relievers gave up only three hits. The White Sox are 0-3 in exhibition play under first-year manager Jerry Manuel.

Scott Brow, who got the win, followed with two hitless innings, and Barry Manuel, Gregg Olson, Mark Davis and Felix Rodriguez finished. Loser Mike Heathcott gave up two runs and five hits in two innings.

Padres 13, Mariners 2

At Peoria, Ariz., Kevin Brown pitched two shutout innings in his Padres debut and Archi Cianfrocco had three hits.

Brown, acquired in a trade with the Florida Marlins, allowed two singles and struck out two, leaving with an 8-0 lead. Carlos Rayes also threw two shutout innings for San Diego, which scored six times in the first and finished with 16 hits.

Cubs 11, Brewers 9

At Phoenix, Matt Mieske hit a two-run homer and drove in three runs, Sandy Martinez hit a two-run triple in a five-run fifth and Scott Servais hit a solo homer.

Winner Steve Trachsel allowed one run and three hits in two innings, and the Cubs overcame six errors. Loser Jeff Juden allowed three runs and four hits in just 1 2-3 innings.

Milwaukee's Scott Krause went 3-for-3 with a two-run homer, and Jeff Cirillo hit a solo homer.

Raiders rally past Aggies in 10th inning

Associated Press

■ Big 12 Baseball

COLLEGE STATION — Kevin Jordan singled to right field to send Jason Landreth to home plate in the top of the 10th inning as Texas Tech beat Texas A&M 6-5 Saturday.

Josh Bard scored a two-run homer in the third inning for Texas Tech (11-6, 1-1 Big 12), and went 4-5 at the plate.

The Aggies' Jason Tyner also went 4-5 at bat, scoring the tying run in the bottom of the eighth. Craig Kuzmic also had a home run for the Aggies (12-3, 1-1)

Brad Ralston (3-1) earned the win in relief, striking out four batters and allowing no runs in three innings for the Red Raiders. Courtney Weller (0-2) took the loss.

Oklahoma 11, Baylor 6

NORMAN, Okla. — Casey Bookout and Richard Park each hit two home runs Saturday as Oklahoma defeated Baylor 11-6.

Brian Shackelford, Jose Montenegro and Ryan Homer also homered as the Sooners improved to 12-0, 2-0 in the Big 12.

Charley Carter and Jason Jennings homered for Baylor (9-5-1, 0-2).

Oklahoma took a 3-0 lead in the second inning, added two in the third and one in the fifth before Baylor got on the board with one in the sixth.

The Sooners came back with three runs in the bottom of the sixth, a feat Baylor matched in the seventh.

Kevin Olsen (4-0) got the victory while Brett Bergman (3-2) took the loss, giving up nine hits and 11 runs over seven innings.

Oklahoma St. 17, Kansas 16, 10 innings

STILLWATER, Okla. — Tony Lucca hit a bases-loaded single in the 10th inning to give Oklahoma State a 17-16 victory over Kansas on Saturday.

Hershiser will wear Drysdale's old number: 53

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — San Francisco Giants pitcher Orel Hershiser won't be wearing his customary No. 55 after all.

Instead, the former Dodger will wear No. 53, once worn by Dodger great Don Drysdale — whose record streak of 58 scoreless innings was broken by Hershiser in 1988.

Hershiser, scheduled to make his Giants debut Sunday against the Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., had worn No. 55 in 15 previous seasons with the Los Angeles Dodgers and Cleveland Indians. He had asked Shawn Estes, a 19-game winner last season who wears No. 55, for his number. Estes agreed.

But on Saturday, Hershiser changed his mind. The Bulldog said he didn't want people to think he was bullying a teammate.

Plus, Hershiser said he's happy to wear the number once worn by Drysdale.

"I've always said if I couldn't wear No. 55, I'd wear No. 53 as a tribute to Don," Hershiser said.

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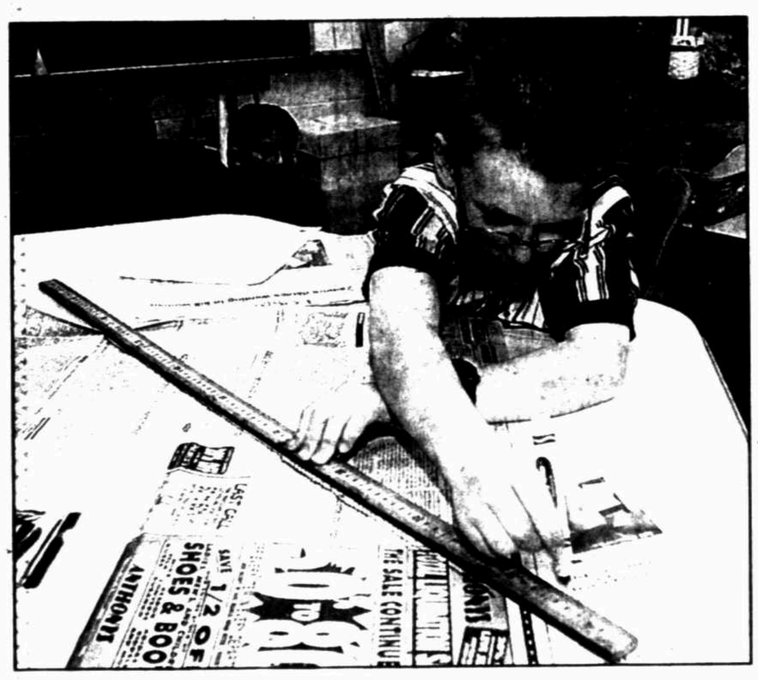


ABOVE Crockett Elementary School student Andrew Leonhard carefully observes the fizz of Alka Seltzer in an experiment.
AT RIGHT Anson Jones student Tiffany Sherman measures classmate Amanda Brooks to figure out how much skin she has.



Kristy Rule looks through a hand-held telescope as students study lenses at Carver Cultural Center.

WOW! IT'S SCIENCE!





Science can spring into life when you least expect it.

Crockett Elementary's Amanda Marks found that out recently when her class conducted a simple experiment on chemical reactions. Gas from an Alka Seltzer tablet caused a lid on a tube on Amanda's desk to fly through the air.

The reaction on Amanda's face said it all. Unbelievable.

Children around her scurried to find paper towels to soak up spilled water as Amanda stared at the tube.

"It scared me," she said, grinning. "When it popped up I didn't expect it to."

Midland Independent School District teachers know that it's best to start young when it comes to surprising children like Amanda and lighting the fire of scientific curiosity in their minds.

Teachers like Crockett's Carolyn Glaves, Jones Elementary's Jackie McMillan and Carver Center's Emmy Ulmschneider are among many who teach an MISD science curriculum that moves away from textbook learning and shows children the "wows" of the science world.

Jan Artley, MISD's director of science, said it is critical to teach science when students are young. MISD recently held its district-wide elementary and secondary science fairs, but that is just part of the hands-on science equation.

"I think it's really important to realize that the science fair is just a vehicle," Ms. Artley said. "Truly the winners are successful, but they are not the only ones who are successful."

Hopefully the science fair and some classroom experiments will excite young students about science, she said. Winning a prize is less important.

Patricia Maurer, principal at Carver Cultural Center, is an advocate for an aggressive elementary science curriculum. Teachers should build on a young child's curiosity about the world around him or her.

"Curiosity is tremendously important," Ms. Maurer said "It's all about questions, looking out there and observing the world around you. What you want to do is keep a curiosity with them and light a fire. That's why science education is so important."

Ms. Maurer fears that the state of Texas has de-emphasized science education since TAAS standardized testing, because it is difficult to test how to conduct an experiment or how to think like a scientist on a mostly multiple choice test.

"With science, you can test whether or not they know the names of the planets," she said. "But the names of the planets has nothing to do with behaving as a scientist."

The TAAS may be needed, she said, but teachers statewide must continue to make science come alive with many exciting science experiments.

Ms. Artley agrees about learning through experiments. She wants children to know key concepts like a control and experimental variable but it's not about memorizing.

"We're not trying to get them to memorize the parts of the frog, that's not really a life science project," she said. "Science is not a ivory tower discipline, but rather is something that real people can use in every day of their lives. We need to stop thinking it's something you do in a laboratory."

At Crockett, Ms. Glaves recently showed children like Amanda the concept of a physical change and a chemical reaction. The Alka-Seltzer tablets were a fun way to illustrate science. The sixth-grade math and science teacher asked her students to observe the white pills.

"It is a solid, it is state of matter, has a chalky look to it," she told her students. "It is crystal."

Ms. Glaves said hands-on learning is the best way for children to understand science. She has her students' desks pulled together in groups to emphasize teamwork.

"In math and science, anytime you can let them work with their hands you make it fun — rather than me standing up there and telling them about it," she said. "As they experience it themselves they're able to learn."

The teacher later had her students crush the tablets into powder. Ms. Glaves asked what change took place. Amanda raised her hand.

"The weight changed," she said. "The amount didn't change."

Later Amanda and the others put the tablets in the tubes full of water and were surprised when the lids went a-flyin'.

Her classmate, Matt Dunnam, also liked the popping lid experiment.

"It was really cool, it was interesting to see all the caps pop off," Matt said. "I like science because we get to mix a lot things and experiment with them."

Anthony Sosa said he likes doing experiments over reading a textbook any day.

"It's better to make science projects so you'll have a closer view of what happens," he said. "You can see the results real closely."

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Story by RICARD ENOS Photos by CURT WILCOTT

ABOVE LEFT Anson Jones fourth-graders figured out how much skin they have by cutting out enough newspaper to fit their bodies. Swade Draper marks off his newspaper before cutting.

AT RIGHT Matthew Martinez uses a magnifying glass to study Alka Seltzer as it fizzes away.

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Rewarding reading



Magician Harlin Rhoades recently performed for Crockett Elementary School first-graders who surpassed a national challenge to read 21,000 books in just a few months. The school honored the children with a party and will hold a major celebration on April 17. Reading is Fundamental, a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit organization, extended the challenge to the children to read as many books or have as many read to them as possible. AT RIGHT: Luis Padilla becomes part of Rhoades' act. BELOW: Sandra Martinez watches as Rhoades makes balloon animals.



Photos by Curt Wilcott

EDUCATION IN BRIEF

ODESSA --The Odessa College vocational nursing program in Andrews is accepting applications until April for admission to classes beginning in August.

Prospective students may call (915) 524-1022 to request a packet of information.

Class size is limited, so applications should be turned in as soon as possible.

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ABILENE — Midland residents Beth Kaufman and Jeremy McPeak are two of 54 Hardin-Simmons University Concert Choir members touring Texas through March 2 on the choir's spring tour.

Ms. Kaufman, an alto, McPeak, a bass, and the choir will perform in cities such as Brownwood, Temple, Belton and numerous other cities before returning to Abilene for a final concert March 2 at HSU's Woodward-Dellis Recital Hall.

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ABILENE — Midland High School students swept honors at the seventh annual Southwest Model United Nations Conference, held Feb. 12-13 at Hardin-Simmons University.

Best Delegation awards were given to Midland High's United Kingdom and Columbia delegations.

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David Leaverton, a Midland High School graduate, the son of Vicki and Mark Leaverton, was recently named to the All-Southeastern Conference Academic team at the University of Tennessee.

Leaverton, a junior, was also recently nominated to Mortar Board, a national academic honorary organization.

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ROLLO, Mo.-- Representatives of student organizations at the University of Missouri-Rolla have been selected as Knights of St. Patrick and will be recognized during ceremonies during the 90th annual St. Patricks Celebration on March 20.

Midlander Brian Gibson, a senior in chemical engineering, and son of Charles and Vickie Gibson of Midland, is to represent Sigma Nu.

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Betty Harmon, an award-winning Lee High School teacher and student council sponsor, retired recently after 16 years of teaching at the school.

Ms. Harmon has taught English, marketing education, and student council at LHS. She also sponsored student council and Distributive Education Clubs of America (D.E.C.A.).

She was named Super-Teacher for LHS's Parent-Teacher-Student Association for three consecutive years. She has a bachelor's of science with honors from New Mexico State University and a master's of arts degree with an emphasis on Supervision from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

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Mobil Exploration recently presented San Jacinto Junior High with $5,000 to buy computer equipment.

The school's partner in education donated the money for 20 digital converters and books for its library. The computer converters are scanning devices that allow teachers to project an image from a computer screen onto a TV screen so that the entire class can view an image.

March 1998 Calendar of Events

MISD — For every child.

Music In Our Schools Month
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Monthly Meetings

School Board
March 2 & 23
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March 3 & 24
Reg. Meeting
4:00 p.m.
MISD Board Room

City Council PTA
March 2 - 12:15 p.m.
Travis Elementary

City Council PTA Board
March 30 - 12:15 p.m.
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2-6	Texas Public Schools Week Newspaper Education Week School Breakfast Week
2	Texas Independence Day
3	TAAS Writing - Grades 4 & 8 TAAS Writing, Spanish Version, Gr. 4 TAAS Exit Level Writing National Anthem Adoption
4	TAAS Exit Level Mathematics TEAMS Mathematics
5	TAAS Exit Level Reading TEAMS English Language Arts
6	Early Voting Ends
8-14	Girl Scout Week
9-13	**Spring Break - Student Holiday**
17	Camp Fire Founder's Day St. Patrick's Day
18-22	Energy Education Week
19	Absolutely Incredible Kid Day Sponsored by Camp Fire Boys & Girls
20	First Day of Spring
21	MHS CATOICO
26	Teacher of the Year Award Reception 7 p.m. - Reservations call Midland Chamber
28	SAT Testing

MAKING THE GRADE



Taylor



Ray



Hillburn



Huckabay



Whitehead

Joel C. Taylor, a 1994 graduate of Midland Senior High School, has been named to the Commandant's Honor Roll in the Corps of Cadets at Texas A&M University for fall 1997.

Taylor serves as one of three platoon leaders for the Ross Volunteers, the oldest student organization in the state and serves as the official honor guard for the governor of Texas. The group recently participated in the dedication of the George Bush Presidential Library Complex on the Texas A&M campus.

Taylor is the son of Jackie and Joyce Taylor and the grandson of Woody and Wanda Phillips of Midland.

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BROWNWOOD — Howard Payne University named **Cassie D. Henkel** to the dean's list.

Ms. Henkel, the daughter of Billy and Tena Henkel, is freshman and a liberal arts major.

Students must earn a 4.0 GPA and a 3.65 to 3.99 GPA to receive recognition on the President's List and Dean's List.

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The Midland West Rotary Club named **Kelly Ray** as their student of the week.

Ms. Ray attends Lee High School and is the daughter of Ronald C. Ray and Dian Ray of Midland.

Her honors and activities include LHS Orchestra, National Honor Society, Senior Girls, Track Manager, Gold Award, French Honor Society, Honor Role, and Optimist Outstanding Student.

She plans to major in science and she is considering attending medical school.

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The Midland Rotary Club named **Emily Hilburn** and **Blake Ryan Huckabay** as their students of the week.

Ms. Hilburn, daughter of Rev. Gene and Phyllis Hilburn, attends Midland Christian School. Her honors and activities include Varsity Football Filmer, D-FY-IT, National Honor Society and Who's Who Among American High School Students.

She plans to attend Hardin-Simmons University and major in Physical Therapy and Music as her minor.

Huckabay, son of Kathy Huckabay-Wallace and the late Gary Huckabay, attends Midland Christian.

His activities include Football, School Paper, D-FY-IT and baseball.

He plans to attend The University of Texas at Austin and major in Criminal Justice

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STEPHENVILLE — Tarleton State University named the A Honor Roll and Distinguished Student list for the Fall 1997 semester.

The Midland students are: **Tom Scwend, Melissa Gerhard, Jeanette Reyes** and **Andrea Tayrien.**

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The Midland West Rotary Club named **Sharee Whitehead** as their student of the week.

Ms. Whiteheads honors and activities include National Honor Society, Texas Scholars, Senior Girls, Rebelee Court, Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, Academic Letters and Optimist Club.

She plans to attend Baylor University and major in elementary education.

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ABILENE — Several Midland students recently received awards at the seventh annual Southwest Model United Nations Conference at Hardin Simmons University.

Winners include:

Best Delegations: Midland High School, United Kingdom; Midland High School, Columbia.

Best Committee Delegates: Security Council, **Lynde Hedgpeth**, United Kingdom, Midland High School.

Human Settlements: **Ryan King**, Columbia, Midland High School; **William Franklin**, United Kingdom, Midland High School.

Right to Development: **Ryan Myers**, Columbia, Midland High School; **Lewis Franklin**, Israel, Midland High School.

World Press: **Travis King** and **William Lincoln**, Midland High School.

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The Alamo Junior High School math team recently competed at the Regional Math Counts Competition sponsored by the Texas Society of Professional Engineers. Five Alamo students placed in the top 10.

On the first place team in Permian Basin Math Counts are **Peter Ong, Stacey Moore, Barbara McNealy** and **Cindy Luu.**

Peter Ong earned second place individual, and **Eric Young** earned third place individual.

Eric Young, **Krista Stephenson, Sandy Phe** and **Stefanie Scott** are members of the second place alternate team.

The students will advance to state competition in Austin March 28.

SCHOOL MENUS

MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday — Breakfast: Pancakes and syrup or assorted cereals and toast, fruit juice, milk. **Lunch:** Sausage or cheese pizza or chef salad, green beans, applesauce, bread sticks, fruit drink, milk.

Tuesday — Breakfast: Ham and biscuit or assorted cereals and toast, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Ham strips or crispy fish nuggets, whole kernel corn, marshmallow sweet potatoes, coleslaw, wheat roll, fruit drink, milk.

Wednesday — Breakfast: Waffles and syrup or assorted cereals and toast, fruit juice, milk. **Lunch**: Hamburger, cheeseburger or chicken pot pie, lettuce and tomatoes, tator tots, gingerbread, fruit drink, milk.

Thursday — Breakfast: Breakfast: Cinnamon roll or assorted cereals and toast, fruit juice, milk. **Lunch**: Tamales supreme nacho grande, refried beans, lettuce and tomatoes, apricots, fruit drink, milk.

Friday — Breakfast: Hawaiian pineapple bread and sausage patty, fruit juice, milk. **Lunch:** Choice of sandwiches, hot dog or chili dog, country fried potatoes, vegetable soup, pineapple, fruit drink, milk.

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Wednesday — Breakfast: Pancakes and sausage on a stick, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Quesadillas, Spanish rice, tossed salad with dressing, border beans, jalapeno cheese bread, grapes, milk.

Thursday — Breakfast: Bacon and eggs, biscuits with jelly, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Lasagna, broccoli with cheese sauce, French bread, fresh oranges, milk.

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U.S. high school seniors among world's worst in math, science

By Ethan Bronner
N.Y. Times News Service

The most comprehensive and rigorous international comparison of schooling ever undertaken reveals American high school seniors, even many in advanced classes, to be among the industrial world's least prepared in mathematics and science, prompting educators and political leaders, including President Clinton, to call for a reexamination of the nation's approach to teaching quantitative skills.

Particularly devastating, the American officials said, was the bleak performance of the best American students in advanced subjects. In physics and advanced mathematics, not one of the countries involved — even less well-off nations like Greece, Cyprus and Latvia — scored lower than the United States.

"This study has burst another myth," said William Schmidt, an educational statistician from Michigan State University who coordinated the American portion of the study. "Our best students in mathematics and science are simply not world class. Even the very small percentage of students taking advanced placement courses are not among the world's best."

The results seemed particularly jarring given the ongoing dominance of the United States in a global economy based increasingly on information and technology. Some wondered whether U.S. colleges and universities were making up for the gaps.

The data, released Tuesday, come from the Third International Mathematics and Science Study, which in the spring of 1995 tested samplings of fourth-, eighth- and 12th-graders. More than 40 countries participated in the eighth-grade portion and about half that number on each of the other two sections. The Asian nations, traditional high performers, did not take part in the high school portion.

The fourth-grade results, released last June, showed the United States to be above the international average and were hailed as evidence that the attention of recent years to improving American schools was starting to pay off.

The eighth-grade results, released seven months earlier, had raised some concern because Americans dipped below the international average in mathematics although they scored above it in science.

But the latest results, for high school seniors, are being greeted with shock and dismay by large numbers of educators and officials who see them as evidence of a fundamental national failing.

"There is something wrong with the system and it is our generation's responsibility to fix it," Clinton said. "You cannot blame the schoolchildren. There is no excuse for this."

Education Secretary Richard Riley said the results confirmed what the administration has been saying, that the country needs clearer and firmer academic standards and far better-prepared science teachers.

Conservative lawmakers have opposed the national tests on grounds that they would represent a centralization of education, which they view as more properly a local and parent-controlled industry.

While earlier versions of the international study, in the 1960s, '70s and '80s, produced equally poor results for American high schoolers, they were largely discounted because of perceived societal and educational differences between the United States and other countries. This time, officials say the differences have narrowed, and those that remain were statistically accounted for.

THOSE WHO CARRIED OUT the study said there were no clear or simple explanations for the low level of American performance. "It is not class size or homework or social life or television," said Ina V.S. Mullin of Boston College, co-deputy director of the study. "Around the world, everybody watches television."

The examination given to the 12th-graders consisted of four separate parts testing general mathematics, which includes fractions and percentages, graphics and some algebra; general science, which includes earth science, life science and physical science; advanced mathematics, which includes calculus, geometry and equations, and physics.

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Students were selected to represent their respective nations, with 23 countries participating in some part of the exam. To account for margins of error, the results were clustered into groups.

In general knowledge of mathematics, American 12th-graders did better than those in only two countries, Cyprus and South Africa. Students in four countries, Italy, Russia, Lithuania and the Czech Republic, performed at the same level as those in the United States. Fourteen countries outperformed America, led by the Netherlands and Sweden. The results were similar for general science.

The advanced mathematics assessment was given to students who had taken or were taking pre-calculus, calculus or advanced placement calculus, and the advanced physics assessment to students who had either taken or were taking physics or advanced placement physics. In advanced mathematics, 11 countries outperformed the United States and no country performed more poorly; in physics, 14 countries did better than the U.S. and none did worse.

One ray of light was performance by American students who took advanced placement calculus. When these students — about 5 percent of the nation — were separated out and measured against students abroad in advanced mathematics, they did slightly better than the international average. But in physics, when the same statistical exercise was done, Americans were still below the international average.

One of the nagging problems worldwide seen in the study is a gender gap favoring males in math and science. Males outperformed females in all but one of the 21 countries testing in mathematics and science literacy. The gender gap in the United States was among the narrowest in both math and science.

Pascal Forgione Jr., the U.S. commissioner of education statistics, said that previous explanations for the United States' comparatively poor performance no longer hold true. In the past, he said, other countries tended not to keep the less academically oriented youngsters in school whereas the United States did, meaning different populations were being tested. Moreover, the American high school population was seen as more diverse, including more immigrants and minority members. Because of these differences, the international studies were often dismissed as a comparison between apples and oranges.

Now, he said, "the gap between our kids finishing their schooling and those of other countries has closed. And the level of diversity in other countries now matches that of ours."

MANY EXPERTS argued that American pupils start out ahead of their foreign peers in elementary school but as they move through middle and high school are challenged less and less because the curriculum tends to be repetitive. In other countries, the curriculum in middle school enters more advanced fields like geometry and chemistry.

"It's now time for school officials to bite the bullet and devise the kind of rigorous and clear standards that permit you to devise rigorous and clear curricula, starting in the early grades," Sandra Feldman, president of the American Federation of Teachers, said.

Only a handful of American states require mathematics or science through all four years of high school. Last year, the New York state Board of Regents toughened graduation standards, requiring students planning to graduate in 2005 and beyond to take three years each of mathematics and science and to pass college preparatory exams in five subjects.

New York City schools have started a number of programs to prepare students for the more rigorous standards, including weekend and evening tutoring in math and science.

Marc Tucker, president of the National Center on Education and the Economy and co-director of the New Standards Project, said he was shocked but not surprised by the international study because of the different ways curriculums are defined here and abroad.

"In most other countries, you have a ministry of education which sets a national curriculum," he said. "There is a clear sense of progression from year to year and it establishes a common set of expectations for parents, teachers and kids.

"In this country, curriculum is constructed not by ministries or state departments of education but by textbook publishers who send salesmen around to talk to teachers and ask them what should be in the books. It is a kind of additive process and since they want to sell textbooks with the largest appeal, they put everything in in a kind of smorgasbord approach. We have the fattest textbooks in the world."

The study released Tuesday was sponsored by the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement, an international cooperative of research centers based in Amsterdam. Each country provided its own funding for the national implementation of the study.

SCIENCE: Teachers say programs can help students enjoy studies in future

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Amanda agrees with that.

"You get to experience yourself. You get to understand it better," she said.

Over at Carver Center, Ms. Ulmschneider was showing her fourth-grade Gifted Education Midland (GEM) students the scientific importance of fiber optic wire.

The wire can carry light and deliver enormous amounts of data quickly for telecommunications companies, she explained. Her students directed flashlights through the bent wire and light came in one end and out the other.

"I believe that science has to be hands-on," she said. "Science is asking questions and is a process that you go through. And when you get an answer, you must know what the answer means."

Some of her students recently concluded a unit on light, and created special "light boxes" for crude prisms and experiments with light. They also learned about types of concave and convex lenses for telescopes.

Courtney Dover explained that the unit taught her that concave lenses reduce an image — like a planet — while a convex produces an upside-down, magnified image.

"It's learning about how telescopes work," she said. "I really enjoy science. It's interesting to find things out ... so we can find ways to make the world better and find easier ways to work things."

Her classmate Arica McGovern said she liked some of the earlier units this year, including on the human reflexes. She too likes experiments with fiber optics and with lenses and prisms.

"I like to work with other people doing experiments," she said. "I'd rather be doing them because I like getting my hands on things and not just working on paper."

At Jones Elementary, Jackie McMillan's class combined math and science to learn how much skin covered each student's body. Students used tape measures and calculated how many centimeters of skin protected their body.

Ms. McMillan, a fourth-grade math and science teacher, told her fourth-graders that the skin is the largest organ in the human body.

"How many layers of skin are there?" she asked her class. "Two. The epidermis and the dermis. We also found out that our hair and nails are made of what? Dead skin."

Students then divided into groups and each group measured one person. Students then cut out newspapers into body-shapes to match the measurements.

Adriana Longoria volunteered for the teacher's own measurements.

Ms. McMillan asked the girl why skin is important for people and animals.

"Because if you don't have skin, your organs would fall out," Adriana said. "You'd fall apart."

Trevor McCann said his class has done plenty of ambitious experiments earlier in the year.

"We've learned about mesquite twig girdlers," he said of the mesquite tree-eating insects. "We've also learned about mill worms — that they first come out in a little bitty egg that you can't see, then they turn into a beetle."

Ms. McMillan said her goal is to build on natural childhood curiosity.

"Children have a natural curiosity for science," she said. "The teachers must tap into that natural curiosity."

One way is to show students that science can be fun, she said. The skin experiment was one way to show children how important the organ is to the human body.

Both Ms. Artley and Ms. Maurer believe that hands-on science learning is the best way to go at the elementary level.

Ms. Maurer said she thinks a lot more can be done to in U.S. schools to produce high school graduates who enjoy science. She points at some surveys that show U.S. students matching up poorly with other industrialized nations in math and science.

"Science literacy is probably at an all-time low in our society," she said.

Ms. Artley has a different view. U.S. students do quite well in science overall, she said. A key is how you define "literacy."

"The math and science ... I have a real problem with the cliche that we do not do well in science," she said. "What they mean is that they can't do it at a sufficient level. That's a big difference."

That doesn't mean a student doesn't understand the scientific method for conducting experiments or basic information, she said.

Regardless, both educators see elementary science programs as a key for future science enjoyment. Ms. Maurer said it is best to excite children when they're young.

"You have to teach kids how to formulate the question," she said. "If you light that fire — developing the questions, experimenting — then you have an opportunity to create in children a scientific attitude."

Scientists are not aloof "nerds." While they might not always be able to communicate their discoveries to the general public, she said, they play a critical role in the future of human society.

"They're adventurers. They're romantics," she said.

Parents wonder whether children should have own computer

N.Y. Times News Service

My old friend Phiber Optik got his first computer when he was in elementary school, a fact that my third-grade daughter, Zoe, reminded me of the other night when she asked for her own desktop setup.

"Phiber Optik went to Federal prison for hacking," I responded in the same severe tone I use to dissuade Zoe from piercing a nostril.

"But then New York magazine said he was one of the 100 smartest people in the city, Mom," she said, waving the article at me.

The other 99 clearly had nothing on Zoe. But maybe she had a point. After all, she has been exposed to computers since preschool. They have become considerably more affordable in the past 18 months, and I can think of many (legal) ways she could use one. E-mail, of course. Also, she could search the Web for school assignments and become more familiar with the quirks of a tool destined to be her lifelong companion.

On the other hand, a decent setup still costs about $1,500, and that is a lot of money.

Is she really ready? (Read: Am I?) Do I want her on line, where she could stumble onto pornography or into inappropriate chat rooms? Surely she would be better off sitting in her room, reading a good book? Or better yet, ice skating with friends?

Experts say parents need to find their own comfort level, which depends on the parent and on the child. I was on the fence until I talked to Elizabeth Watson, president of the board of the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association.

She said that when children hooked up with other kids on line, the computer became a tool for collaborative learning. The traditional approach to education stresses independent learning, but that is "not going to prepare our kids to fit into the working world of the next century," Ms. Watson said. "The corporate world is very team-oriented."

Zoe may not end up in the corporate world, of course. She is currently vacillating — between writer, notorious hacker and brain surgeon — and has never included midlevel manager on the list. But while she is making up her mind in the next 15 years, collaboration can still be fun.

Take Moose Crossing, **(www.cc.gatech.edu/(tilde)asb/moose-crossing)**, a virtual community where children can interact and practice writing and programming skills. Using a special text-based programming language, a child can help create a kingdom to explore or any object imaginable.

I am not naive enough to think that every child is going to choose educational fodder over the sweet anesthesia of multimedia games. So I know I will have to lure my own daughter into collaborative learning by convincing her that it is fun.

I discovered a trove of other virtual spaces designed for children. They include the Pueblo Project **(www.pc.maricopa.edu/community/pueblo/pueblocaeti/index.html)** and the Diversity University campus **(www.du.org)**. The Mud Connector **(www.mudconnect.com)** lists 379 virtual communities that are safe for children.

I checked out some on-line computer stores, where I was pleased to learn that you can buy a surprisingly good first PC on a $1,500 budget. Before purchasing, look at some of these sites; you can customize a hardware package to suit your needs and compare systems. (Keep in mind that on top of the price of the hardware, Internet access will run roughly $20 a month, and you may want to add a phone line.)

Look for a computer that runs at a speed of at least 200 MHz a second. Although how fast a computer really works depends on more than its listed speed, this is a good place to start. It should have a hard drive that can hold at least 2 gigabytes of data. If your child plans to load a lot of space-hogging applications, consider upgrading to 3.2 gigabytes. Most PC's come bundled with 15-inch color monitors, so do not settle for less. And do not skimp on RAM; get at least 24 megabytes. Newer software programs (especially games) are memory hogs.

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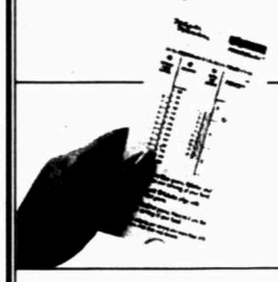
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Midland College's Distinguished Speaker Series, sponsored by Midland College's Advanced Petroleum Geotechnical Training program, begins March 2 with Dan Hampson of Hampson Russell speaking on *3D Multi Attribute Analysis*. March 16, Bob Hardage of the Bureau of Economic Geology will speak on *Full Wave Seismic Exploration*. Additional sessions will be each Monday at noon, through April 4, in the Wagner and Brown Auditorium of the Allison Fine Arts Building. For more information contact Woody Woodside, 687-1965.

Seminar for parents

The Midland College Department of Continuing Education will offer a seminar, "The Absolute Quickest Way to Help Your Child Change," 6:30-9:30 p.m, Tuesday, March 3.

The fee for the seminar is $24 per person or $34 per couple. Enrollment is limited to 20. To register call the Department of Continuing Education, 685-4518.

Testing dates set

Midland College will offer the GED exam on the following dates: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. March 16 and 17 and again on April 6 and 7. The exam is administered at the Testing Center in the Scharbauer Student Center. A valid Texas Driver's License or Texas Identification Card and a Social Security Card are required. Costs of the exam is $50. The Center also will offer the CLEP exam 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. March 25, April 15, and May 13. For more information, call 685-4564.

McCormick Gallery

The work of Kilgore College faculty members John Hillier and O. Rufus Lovett will be on display Feb. 16-March 20 in McCormick Gallery at Midland College. 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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Student services offers student orientation

Prospective Midland College students have an opportunity to get answers to questions about enrolling at Midland College.

The Midland College Student Service personnel are offering an Student Orientation class for students who want more information about attending Midland College.

The session will be 7-9 p.m., March 24, in the Roadrunner Room of the Scharbauer Student Center.

Topics covered will include information on registration, choosing a major, transferring to a four-year university, financial aid, student activities, TASP and placement testing.

Counselors, administrators and student services personnel will be on hand to assist students. For more information, call the Student Services office, 685-4501.

The orientation session will give students information about the following registration periods: Registration for spring interim begins April 21 with classes for the interim session beginning May 11; Registration for summer I is April 21-June 1, and registration for summer II is April 21-July 9; Early registration for fall 1998 is July 16-Aug. 25.

Cheerleaders get a boost towards Nationals



Rhonda White (center), senior field operations assistant for Conoco, hands Odie Saldivar, MC cheerleader, a check for $300 as Tommy Ramos, cheerleader sponsor, looks on. The cheerleaders will use the money to help with expenses to attend the NCA Cheerleading competition in Florida this April.

MC announces honor role

High ranking students at Midland College for the 1997 fall semester have been announced.

To achieve ranking for the President's List, a student must earn a perfect 4.0 grade point average while taking a course load of 12 credit hours or more.

The Dean's List is for students who compile at least a 3.50 grade point average for 12 hours or more.

Named to the 1997 fall President's List from Midland were: Mariya Afonina, Maricela Alvarado, Evelyn Aziz, Tana Baker, Sheryl Beauvais, Kerri Bell, Mary Bertelson, Julie Birdsong, Lori Bowness, Christian Brennan, Betty Brinegar, Mandy Brooks, Donald Brown, Gregory Bryant, Angelica Chavez, Ann Clark, Jurline Cockerham, Timothy Coleman, Sherrie Count and John Doll;

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Also, Cindy Almanza and Jennifer Bearden, Rankin; Mary Janè Alvarez, Mission; Bradly Batla, Garden City; Clayton Cozart, Klondike; April Golson, Tarazan; Ihan Grozev, Bulgaria; April Hines, Austin; Brian Kramer, Carrollton; Jerry Lea and Britny Moore, Albuquerque, NM; Elizabeth Mouras; Metaire, LA; Gena Rangel, Mesquite; Diane Rhodes, Odessa; Bridget Rodriguez, Ft. Stockton; Amy Tapp, Greenwood; Olivia Valenzuela, Pecos; Marcus Wood, Andrews; Brady Woodruff, St. Clair, MO.

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Also, Kimberly Edwards, Meagan Epley, Lana Ervin, Rosalinda Escajeda, Lisa Finch, Pam Floyd, Jimmy Fox, Jason Frazier, Bertha Fuentes, Jonnalea Garrett, Jessica Glenn, Wesley Graham III, Cynthia Graves, Damie Green, Joseph Hamilton, Jill Hill, Melony Hutcherson, Starla Hyatt, William Johnson, Dave Konojacki and Neeti Lall;

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EMS takes applications for summer program

Midland College EMS department will offer a summer EMT class June 2 through Aug. 18.

The EMS program trains students to assess and manage medical emergencies under the direction of a physician and provide pre-hospital emergency care to acutely ill patients.

Classes will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings 6-10 p.m. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis, and the class is limited to 15 students.

Applications are available in the Davidson Family Health Sciences . Students should provide the most recent transcript from college, high school or GED. Return the application and transcript to Carolyn Bloodworth in the Health Sciences building.

Students completing the Emergency Medical Technician course may apply for the Paramedic program beginning in fall 1998. EMT certification is a prerequisite. For more information please call Gary Roberts at 915-685-4593.

Continuing Education

The following continuting education class begins the week of March 8. For registration information, call 685-4518.

Hunter Education will be 6-9 p.m. Friday through Sunday March 13 through 15. Wayne Ransbottom is the instructor.

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Children inspect the gigantic tarantula at the Fort Worth Zoo's traveling exhibit "Incredibugs." Fly swatters? Forget it. They won't work on these robotic monsters. The big blue butterfly, below, is another one of several oversized insects on display.

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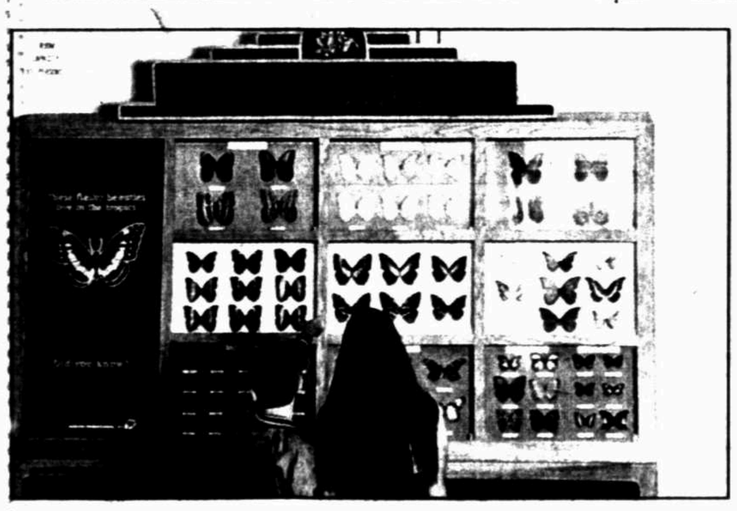
Staff Reports

FORT WORTH — Insect fans and Big Bug B-movie horror aficionados take note: Monstrous bugs have arrived in Fort Worth! Fly swatters? Don't bother. Insect repellant? Forget about it. Just makes them laugh. So, run ... don't walk to the Fort Worth Zoo's traveling exhibit of "Incredibugs!"

A dozen behemoth butterflies and oversized creepy crawlers — including a tarantula, wasp, caterpillar, beetles — have taken over the Fort Worth Zoo through May 26. (The exhibit opened Feb. 20.) The larger-than-life mechanical insects range in size from 8- to 16-feet tall. All the robotic bugs are animated and seemingly come to life. The large displays make details visible that are not seen by the naked eye. Dinamation International created the mechanical butterflies and Creative Presentations made the mechanical bugs and interactive computer displays to accompany them.

Entrance to "Incredibugs" is $2.50 in addition to the regular zoo admission. Zoo tickets are $7 for adults (age 13 and above), $4.50 for children 3-12, free for toddlers age 2 and younger, and $3 for seniors 65 and older. For more information call (817) 871-7050.





Beautiful butterfiles are on display, above and left, as well as interactive exhibits, including touch-screen computers and games. Hundreds of live butterfiles flutter around in a lushly planted walk-through butterfly greenhouse.



HAVE YOU HEARD?

Heart Beat '98 fund raiser celebrates health, rock 'n roll

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

One of the most fun parties of the season was Heart Beat '98, a fund-raiser for the American Heart Association.



McKnight-Harrison

Held last weekend at the Midland Hilton, the event featured a heart healthy dinner in the "Heart Rock Cafe," dancing to the music of the Dallas band, The Project, and a silent auction.

The invitation suggested that attendees dress casual or as their favorite rock 'n roll stars. Among those who chose to come in costume were assistant district attorney **Robin Sam** as a Spice Girl and advertising executive **Donna (Mrs. Lee) Bruno,** who was dressed as a rocker in black leather with stiletto heels. Used to seeing Midland clothier **John Philbeck** in his custom tailored shirts, it was totally unexpected to find him wearing a psychedelic tie-dyed T-shirt instead.

Among others seen at the event were **Norma and Jack Sherman, Tina and Bruce Blake, Betty and Don Tomlin, Beverly and Lynn Conine, Lisa and Mark Philpy** and **Janet and Eric Hanson.**

Karen Carter and **Spencer Bennett,** the morning DJs for KODM Radio, served as M.C.s for the evening.

The annual event also included a benefit art show by Midland Gallery. **Walter Edelman** of New York City, curator for the Metropolitan Museum of Art and renowned art critic and appraiser, joined gallery owner **Mike Crume** for the occasion. Works of artists from all over the world were for sale. Prices ranged from $200 to $20,000.

The art show and sale were open to the public in the ballroom's lobby the afternoon of the party, as well as during the event.

Janet Courtroul and **Laurie Johnson** served as chairman and co-chairman, respectively, of Heart Beat '98.

WHILE MEMBERS of Dallas' Lovers Lane United Methodist Church Jazz Band are volunteers, they are not amateurs, as those of us who heard them last weekend will attest.

The band performed in concert in Odessa's First United Methodist Church as part of a fund-raising effort for a forthcoming mission trip to Russia. The group will travel to Volgograd (formerly Stalingrad) to work in a children's hospital by day and perform in concerts throughout the city at night.

While most of the band members played in high school and college, others come with professional music backgrounds. Two were part of the highly acclaimed One O'Clock Lab Band at the University of North Texas. The band represents a wide cross-section of the work force. There are teachers, an attorney, interior designer, computer software engineer, band director and graphic designer, among others.

Dallas attorney **Louis Carpenter,** who plays baritone saxophone with the band, was the announcer. He is the cousin of well-known Odessan **Betsy Triplett-Hurt.**

A highlight for the band, which was organized six years ago, was a recent appearance with **Larry Gatlin** in San Antonio.

The band entertained us with a wide variety of selections, from sacred to secular. Their repertoire included "Satin Doll," "In the Mood," "Take the A Train," "This Little Light of Mine," "How Great Thou Art," and our personal favorite, the beautiful Easter song, "Hymn of Promise."

Among Midlanders seen enjoying jazz on a Saturday night were **Suzanne Cate,** minister of music of Midland's First United Methodist Church, and her husband, **Michael; Judy (Mrs. Randy) Billingsley, Nancy Jo Houston, Frances Wade, Shirley and Len Barrett, Marinelle (Mrs. Ross) Freeman, Becky King** and **Curt Sievert.**

THERE WAS EXCITEMENT in the home of **Natalie and Tom Eustace** on Valentine's Day when word was received that their daughter, **Tanya,** had pledged Alpha Delta Chi sorority at Austin College in Sherman. That also was Natalie's sorority when she attended AC.

A freshman, Tanya is an honor student majoring in music and psychology. She also is a member of the college's top choir that will travel to Europe next year.

MIDLANDER Fay Smith loves music and almost always listens to a cassette tape when she is in her car. Her tastes lean toward classical and semi-classical as well as show tunes.

One day, she picked her granddaughter, **Caroline Baker,** up from pre-school. The little girl, who was five at the time, was quiet for a moment, and then said, "Granny, you don't have any music playing!" Fay replied, "I doubt if I have anything you would enjoy." Caroline thought it over and then stated, "But Granny, I like your 'Fanny of the Opera'!"

Marilyn McKnight Harrison is social columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

A star is born; she's a real doll

By Frank DeCare
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Gene Marshall wears only couture. And when she gave a soiree in her suite at the Plaza a few days ago to celebrate the latest additions to her already glorious wardrobe, she packed the place with revelers who ooh-ed and ah-ed at her every new ensemble.

"Share the dream," her well-wishers said, quoting her slogan as they raised a champagne toast to the woman of the hour. And every year, more people are drinking to her, because Gene is really something else. In a world of cardboard supermodels and plastic starlets, she is divinely vinyl — all 15-1/2 inches of her.

Taller than Barbie and infinitely better dressed, Gene Marshall is a hit on the collectibles circuit, with more than half a million dolls and costumes sold in the three years since her debut. She has spawned Gene fan clubs, Gene zines, Gene Web pages and annual collectors conventions. A column devoted to her runs monthly in Collecting Figures magazine, and the Plaza party to celebrate her success and unveil her 1998 clothing collection was a hot ticket of the recent Toy Fair trade show.

Gene is a star, or rather, several. With sloe eyes and an elaborate past, she is, for $79.95, an amalgam of all the larger-than-life actresses of Hollywood's Golden Era, a miniature mannequin for meticulously made clothes harking back to the glory days of Edith Head and Adrian.

Each of her outfits, sold separately, advances the fictional story of her career, from her discovery as a movie-house usherette to her triumphs in such films as "Personal Secretary" and "Sea Spree."

It is an MGM fantasy for $34.95 an outfit.

MARKETED BY the Ashton-Drake Galleries, a maker of collectible dolls based in Niles, Ill., Gene represents a second coming of sorts for its creator, Mel Odom. In the late 1970s and early '80s, Odom was one of the hottest commercial artists in New York, a man whose contemporaries included such illustrators as Richard Amsel, Antonio Lopez and George Stavrinos, all now legendary. His erotically charged (but rarely sexually explicit) drawings for Playboy, Viva and especially Blueboy earned him an avid following.

That, Odom says, is a page of his resume that Gene's manufacturers would rather forget. But the doll is an outgrowth of the vacant-eyed beauties that Odom has always drawn — sexy, dreamlike creatures.

"When we first started working with him, Mel was doing Art Deco masks," said Kerig Pope, the managing art director of Playboy and a longtime friend. "When he got into his doll, I wasn't surprised at all."

In the introduction to the artist's 1984 monograph, "Dreamer," the novelist Edmund White presciently wrote that "Odom's faces are those of dolls."

IT WAS A 1980 illustration of a platinum-haired hunk-as-angel languidly smoking a cigarette for the cover of White's novel "Nocturnes for the King of Naples" that established Odom's reputation outside the realm of skin magazines. His first literary commission, it led to extensive illustration work, including a line of greeting cards and posters from Paper Moon Graphics, inclusion of his work in shows at the Cooper-Hewitt Museum, and awards from the Society of Illustrators.

"Mel reduces everything to its most beautiful," Pope said. "Even something awkward comes out graceful."

The culmination of Odom's illustration career came with a 1989 cover of Time magazine, a portrait of Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini. "It's kind of the Mount Rushmore of illustration," Odom said. "It was the first time my parents relaxed and said, 'He won't starve.'"

Odom, 47, grew up in Ahoskie, N.C., and began drawing at 4 or 5. "It was a sure-fire baby sitter for me," he recalled.

Although aware of the implications, he made no secret of his childhood love for dolls, and begged his parents for a Barbie. "They were surprisingly sophisticated about it," Odom said. He got his Barbie. His mother later told him, he recalled, "I was just so glad you weren't interested in guns."

After studying fashion illustration at Virginia Commonwealth University and doing graduate work abroad, he moved to New York in 1975. A good-looking young man in disco-era Manhattan, Odom quickly found himself rubbing shoulders with the glitterati.

"I did the Studio 54 thing," he said, "and friends took me to places I'd never been to, believe me. I went out a lot, but I never thought of myself as a scene-maker. From the outside, it looked that way, though."

Andy Warhol mentioned him in his now infamous diaries. Robert Mapplethorpe shot his portrait for "First Eyes," a 1982 Japanese catalogue of Odom's work, and traded it to him for a painting.

Today, when asked about Mapplethorpe and others, Odom sadly but matter-of-factly states that he has lost two-thirds of his friends from that era to AIDS. "I can remember dinner parties with huge tables of people sitting around them, and I'm the only one left," he said. "I've tried to use it as a propulsion. I figure I must be here to do something significant."

He believes that is Gene.

After seeing an inspirational costume show at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Odom set out to create a fashion doll that captured the glamour of old movies.

"I was always fascinated with movie fashion," he said. "The clothes always looked so exotic to me, so sophisticated, so glamorous." He came up with a moniker, Gene Marshall, that sounded appropriately old Hollywood. "I thought, 'That's pretty good,'" he said.

He first did drawings of Gene, had a prototype of the doll made by a respected mannequin sculptor, and enlisted friends — fashion designers and theatrical costumers — for her clothes.

The doll made its official debut at the 1995 Toy Fair to much fanfare from retailers and collectors. "I'd compare it to when Barbie came out," said Virginia Ann Heyerdahl, senior editor of Doll Reader magazine, a leading publication on the topic. "Everywhere I go, she's a hot item with adults, and it's growing every year."

ALTHOUGH NO REAL THREAT to Ken's dream date — Barbie remains the world's best-selling doll by far — Gene has become a favorite of serious doll aficionados, among them the world's most high-profile doll collector, the actress Demi Moore.

"That it has this kind of following already is amazing," said David Niggli, executive vice president of merchandising for F.A.O. Schwarz, which featured Gene in its Christmas catalogue and was host to a Gene event on Valentine's Day — a doll signing by Odom — at its Fifth Avenue store.

Last Halloween, the Gene convention drew 300 fans to the Newark Airport Marriott for a costume party. If the digs weren't up to Gene's Hollywood standards, the enthusiasm was. An auction of one-of-a-kind Gene dolls raised more than $30,000 for Gay Men's Health Crisis, the AIDS services organization.

Odom bought several dolls that night and added them to his own collection. Still living in the same Upper West Side apartment he first rented in the 1970s, Odom has filled the place with a variety of dolls and collectibles.

With a Warhol print of Garbo as Mata Hari — "a big old splurge" from his '80s salad days — on the living-room wall, a highly collectible Tinkerbell night light on top of the refrigerator and a trove of superhero action figures in his studio, the home the dolls inhabit has many moods.

"I've lived in this apartment for 22 years, but Gene is forcing me out," Odom admitted. She needs her closet space. He may finally be able to give it to her. "Last year, I made more money than I've ever made," he said. "Knock wood."

Better make that vinyl.

Barbie-bashing brought up in new book

By Diane White
N.Y. Times News Service

Sarah Strohmeyer's book "Barbie Unbound" is a far cry from Baywatch Barbie or Ralph Lauren Barbie or Bloomingdale's Barbie and all the other glamorous Barbies we've seen during Barbie's 40 fabulous years.

The book comes with various disclaimers, "Not a Mattel Product," and "A Parody of the Barbie Obsession," and "Humor/Feminist Studies," and "For Adults." The Mattel corporation has historically taken an exceedingly hostile, to say nothing of litigious, attitude toward anybody who messes with Barbie, and Strohmeyer has messed with Barbie big time, with amusing results.

You won't find Prom Queen Barbie in these pages, but there's her big-boned buddy, Overweight Outcast Adolescent Barbie, hips and thighs padded with Silly Putty, who comes equipped with a phone that never rings. There's PMS Barbie, complete with a hair-trigger temper and a stash of chocolate bars, and Hot Flash Barbie, with a little estrogen patch.

Here is Barbie as you've never seen her before, unless you were one of those nasty little girls who played with your own Barbies in nontraditional ways, like, say, chopping off their little heads.

Strohmeyer, a reporter for the Valley News in Lebanon, N.H., lives with her husband, lawyer Charles Merriman, and their two children in Middlesex, Vt., just outside Montpelier. She was inspired to write "Barbie Unbound" when feminist friends insisted she hide her 6-year-old daughter Anna's Barbie when their children visited her house. "Barbie is the antichrist up here," Strohmeyer said. "It's a very politically correct community."

When she was a child, her parents had refused to let her have a Barbie, but she managed to get one anyway. Years later, in high school, she realized the damage the doll had wrought. "Barbie becomes ingrained in your subconscious," she said. "You go through your teenage years thinking how come I'm not this willowy blond thing with all these boys and cars and clothes and then you realize: It's Barbie."

Strohmeyer bought her own daughter a Barbie. "But I also wanted to tell her that real life isn't like this," she said. "Barbie Unbound" was born. All the photographs in the book were shot in the family kitchen. "We went through about 20 to 30 Barbies; most of them are in parts now," Strohmeyer said.

Three publishers turned down the book before New Victoria, a small press in Norwich, Vt., picked it up. It's in its fourth printing. "It seems to have hit a nerve," Strohmeyer said. "Barbie is such a part of us. We love her, we hate her, we want to bash her. I felt she needed to be liberated. That's why I did what I did."

"Barbie Unbound" pokes fun at Barbie and at stereotypes of women that range from the saintly to the less-than-perfect. There's Welfare Queen Barbie, lounging in bed with three baby dolls. Barbie Lee Gifford visiting her very own sweatshop. And Barbie Clinton ("Comes with Yale law degree in one hand and whip in the other.")

Mattel has yet to sue Strohmeyer. Maybe Barbie has developed a sense of humor. It's about time. She's 40. She's not getting any younger.

Or is she?

Programs teaching parenting innovations

By Carol Bidwell
N.Y. Times News Service

'It's such an intimate and important relationship. People who would not admit problems in other areas will say, 'I'd like to be the best parent I can be'.'

— Kerby T. Alvy, founder, Center for Improvement of Child Caring

LOS ANGELES —Vacuum cleaners come with instructions. So do computers, new cookware, even rosebushes for your garden.

But when you become a parent, you're pretty much on your own.

Now, there are two parenting innovations: a program to teach parents of newborns what to expect and how to care for their offspring, and advice to help moms and dads of older children raise happier, healthier families with less stress.

NuParent, jointly sponsored by the Children's Bureau of Southern California, UCLA Children's Hospital and UCLA Child Care Services, is aimed at helping new parents feel comfortable raising babies and toddlers.

And the Center for the Improvement of Child Caring, which has offered parenting classes and related services to schools, churches, individuals and corporations since 1974, is reaching out to the general public for the first time with a booklet of general parenting tips.

Both programs are necessary, the sponsors say, because parenting skills are usually a matter of learning by doing, right or wrong.

Unlike past generations, today's new parents often have few resources to draw from to help care for the squalling, demanding little creature they bring home from the hospital, said Alex Morales, executive director of the Children's Bureau.

"More and more, people don't grow up around babies," he said. "And we're not with our relatives. We don't have the support and guidance that our parents and grandparents did when they became parents for the first time."

On the other hand, many parents may have relied on poor role models — their own equally uninformed mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers — for advice, said Bill Ernisse, chairman of the board of CICC.

"There are ways of learning to be better parents rather than trial and error or following what may not be the best role models," he said.

Because those role models are dear to our hearts, it may be hard to admit their way wasn't the best way to raise a child, said Kerby T. Alvy, the CICC's founder and director.

"What was good enough for grandpa was good enough for me," insist some modern-day parents. To them, Alvy asks two questions: "Are you getting what you want out of your parenting? Are your kids turning out the way you want them to?"

Even well-educated parents can benefit from parenting classes, say experts.

Erica Sperling, a 911 operator for the Newport Beach Police Department with a degree in psychology and a teaching credential, was one of the first to sign up for a NuParent class after she realized she needed more help in dealing with 2-month-old Cherise, her first child.

"I was pretty isolated," Sperling said. "And I was starting to pull my hair out. I read all the books, but one book said one thing and another said another thing, and I didn't know which was right. I didn't have the hands-on experience. I wanted to do what was best for her, but I was having trouble figuring out what was best."

After eight weeks of NuParent classes, she's a more confident mother, and Cherise is a happier baby. And several of the mothers who attended the classes with her have formed a mobile support group: They get together at least once a week to walk with their babies and exchange experiences and information.

Besides the obvious benefits at home of being a better mom or dad, advantages of better parenting radiate into the workplace and the community, CICC officials said.

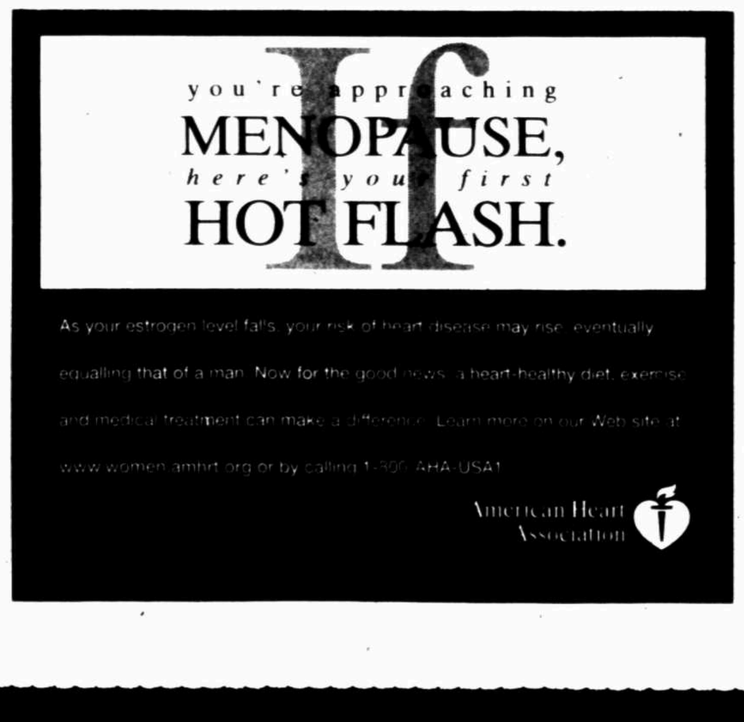
"Of 250,000 inmates in the county jail, a survey showed that 62 percent were not raised by a parent," said Ernisse. "Conversely, good parenting results in better self-esteem, more high school graduates, more scholarship winners, better citizens."

Ernisse, who is also a vice president and general manager for Xerox Corp., said CICC's corporate parenting classes create more loyal and less-stressed employees as their home lives become more productive and serene.

Companies that offer parenting classes see an average $1,600 in annual savings per employee in unused sick time, a reduction in on-the-job injuries and more employee focus on the job, Alvy said.

"It's such an intimate and important relationship," he said. "People who would not admit problems in other areas will say, 'I'd like to be the best parent I can be.'

"This is an important commitment. It's a good life decision."





AROUND TOWN

Midland Genealogical Society will present its 1998 Spring Seminar 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. April 4 at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas St. in Midland.

Leslie Smith Collier, instructor of genealogy for Eastfield College and Richland College, Dallas Community College District, and guest lecturer for the Genealogical Institute of Texas, will be featured speaker.

Ms. Collier, president of the Dallas Genealogical Society 1995-97 and author of numerous articles, earned a bachelor of arts degree in education from Louisiana State University and a master of science degree in testing and measurement from East Texas State University. She is director and course coordinator for the Institute of Genealogical Studies and national program chairman for the 1997 Federation of Genealogical Societies conference.

Registration fee is $20 before March 20 or $25 at the door; fee includes noon sack lunch and drink. To pre-register, send check and reservation to MGS Treasurer, 301 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701...

...WEST TEXAS Writers will meet 2 p.m. March 7 in the second floor meeting room of Midland County Public Library, 301 W. Missouri St. All interested people are invited to attend. Janine Welter, computer user, writer and secretary for two local computer user groups, will be speaker...

...NEWCOMERS' CLUB will have a get-acquainted coffee 9:30 a.m. March 5. For location and more information call 686-8737 or 570-6262...

...PERMIAN BASIN Master Gardeners and the local agricultural extension service will host a worskshop on growing a better garden by conserving water, labor and time with drip irrigation.

The workshop will feature a guest speaker. The talk will include a demonstration on the methods of using drip irrigation in the garden or home landscape. No pre-registration or fees are necessary.

Gardening in West Texas will be featured at The Vegetable Garden program scheduled for 7 p.m. March 23 and 24 at the Confederate Air Force Museum. The best planting dates, varieties, soil management, tips and techniques for home vegetable gardening will be taught. A packet on vegetable gardening will be provided.

Guest speakers are Permian Basin Master Gardeners Sam Phillips and June Russell, longtime vegetable growers from the area.

Pre-register by sending $5 per household made payable to PBMG to: The Vegetable Garden, Ector County Extension Service, 1010 E. 8th Street, Odessa, Texas 79761...

...AARON ESTES chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, will meet 1:30 p.m. March 2 at the Haley Library for a program on Texas Independence Day and Flag Day. Haley Library Ceremonial Texas Flag, which has flown over the state capitol, the Alamo and Washington-on-the Brazos, will fly over the library in celebration of signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence at Washington-on-the-Brazos on March 2, 1836. Visitors are welcome to attend...

...A&M MOTHERS Club will meet 11:45 a.m. March 6 at Furr's Cafeteria's meeting room. Dr. Ron Ingram, microsurgeon with the American Board of Opthalmology, will speak on "Vision Without Contacts of Glasses." All Aggies and friends of the university are invited to attend...

...MIDLAND-LEE Youth Centers first Golf Tournament Fundraiser will tee off 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. March 23 at The Club at Mission Dorado. Cost is $100 per player, which includes lunch, golf cart, green fees, golf shirt and giveaways. Entry deadline is March 18.

First prize is a trip for two to Las Vegas, Nev., with airfare and hotel accoommodations at the MGM Grand included; second prize is two sets of irons; third prize is two sets of metal woods.

Midland-Lee Youth Centers, a non-profit organization in operation for more than 54 years, provides drug- and alcohol-free programs, entertainment and reacrdeational activities for teens. For more information call 689-1675...

...PUBLIC SEMINAR on "Can We Safeguard Our Assets? Trust Fund and Estate Planning," will be presented 9:30 a.m. March 3 at Saddleridge Lodge, 1808 W. Loop 250 North. Herb Hutchins of NationsBank will be speaker...

Books let gardeners 'dig in' for reading

Associated Press

A new crop of gardening books can tempt even the most indifferent gardeners to dig in for some reading pleasure:

■ A fancy, formal garden demands the owner sustain it with a strict regime of cultivating, watering, spraying, and manicuring. "Is it necessary for the gardener to be at odds with nature in this way?" asks the English garden designer John Brookes in "Natural Landscapes" (DK Publishing, $29.95 hardcover). He recommends — and gives examples — of how gardeners can make use of indigenous plants to integrate the plot with its surroundings and terrain. If you live in prairie country, you might use local grasses spotted with sunflowers, coneflowers, Rudbeckia and bee-balm. The garden in a desert locale will be welcoming to succulents, cacti, and palms. Brookes backs measured encouragement of wildlife, since many birds, insects and small mammals will help you combat pests without chemicals.

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— advice from John Brookes, "Natural Landscapes"

■ The noted British garden writer Christopher Lloyd is self-deprecating about his cooking skills, but he appreciates the convergence of growing food, preparing it and enjoying it with friends: "We have always grown a lot of fruit and vegetables in the garden," he writes in "Gardener Cook" (Willow Creek Press, $29.50). "What could be more natural than to want to use them effectively in the kitchen. As I gained confidence, the stream of friends visiting, largely at weekends, increased enormously and so did my enjoyment of them." This self-described "fig pig" offers in often humorous prose advice about growing and recipes for eating.

■ Keeping plants at home or at the office is almost instinctive to most garden enthusiasts. "Indoor Plants" (Reader's Digest, $30 hardcover), by Jane Courtier and Graham Clarke, is a basic guide to getting the best out of your choices. Among the sections is one devoted to looking at your plant population from a whole-house point of view, choosing the most effective arrangements for decorating and growing. There's also information about buying and caring for your plants, but the section you're likely to use most is the fairly comprehensive plant directory and secondary plant lists, with facts and photos of each specimen covered.

■ Two handy pocket guides from DK Publishing are "Garden Herbs" ($9.95 hardcover), by Lesley Bremness, and "101 Essential Tips: Basic Gardening" ($3.95 paperback), by Pippa Greenwood. The herb guide includes overviews of the most popular types, with information about growing them and using them in the kitchen and around the house. The basic gardening guide is a quick course (or perhaps refresher) covering tool and plant selection, preparation, planting, pruning, care, and propagating.

■ At the other end of the scale is the humongous (1,095 pages) "The American Horticultural Society A-Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants" (DK Publishing, $79.95 hardcover), edited by Christopher Brickell and Judith D. Zuk. The serious plant person will find over 15,000 kinds profiled, along with information about cultivation and care in American growing zones. This is a natural companion to "The Encyclopedia of Gardening" (DK Publishing, $59.95 hardcover), a standard reference published several years ago.

■ Another reference in the superbook category is the 1,008-page "Botanica: The Illustrated A-Z of Over 10,000 Garden Plants and How to Cultivate Them" (Random House, $50 hardcover with carrying case). Included are sections devoted to special types of gardens, a comprehensive listing of plants, and a glossary of botanical and horticultural terms.

■ If you missed the show, you can still read the book: "Mrs. Greenthumbs Plows Ahead: Five Steps to the Drop-Dead Gorgeous Garden of Your Dreams" (Crown, $25 hardcover), by television's gardener-comedian, Cassandra Danz. Ms. Danz disdains what she calls the "suburban park" yard and entertainingly instructs you on how to turn this boring spot of land into a beautiful, interesting, and private "cottage garden." But, she cautions, even after you've achieved this garden, you're not done. "Even after the fat lady wraps her tonsils about the last high C, she has to keep weeding, mulching, and cutting back, digging up and replanting between trips to Weight Watchers."

■ Perhaps you're happy just to potter around the garden, planting wherever there's a likely space. On the other hand, you might have a vision of what the garden should be like. In "The Garden Design Book" (ReganBooks/HarperCollins, $50 hardcover), by Cheryl Merser and the editors of Garden Design magazine, you get to look at real gardens put together with some unexpected twists — like a pool made from a farm trough and a bamboo tepee covered with scarlet runner beans. The overall message is to look at your garden as a whole, with suggestions for natural, formal, container, kitchen, courtyard, cottage, and country gardens.

■ Color is one of the reasons you enjoy your garden, and it figures strongly in your choice of garden design. But it's hard to pin down precisely, because of changes in light, the seasons, textures and your own perceptions. Author Sandra Austin further notes in "Color in Garden Design" (Taunton Press, $34.95 hardcover) that there are contradictions in formal study of color — the principles laid down by artists and designers may not match those formulated in scientific disciplines of physics and optics. In her book, she attempts to find a useful middle ground for garden designers to help them make informed and creative color choices.

■ One way to get your kids away from the computer or TV is to deputize them as assistant gardeners. Author Beth Richardson tells how to draw your children into the horticultural world and keep them interested and entertained in "Gardening with Children" (Taunton Press, $19.95 paperback). One of her suggestions is to create a "pizza garden," planting plum tomatoes, parsley, oregano, garlic, peppers, onions and sweet basil. Even the plot can be laid out like a pie.

■ "The Burpee Complete Vegetable and Herb Gardener" (Macmillan, $29.95 hardcover), by Karen Davis Cutler, will get you started on your first efforts to grow food. The reference covers site selection, soil preparation, seed choice, planting techniques, dealing with disease and pests, and harvesting and storing crops.

■ The glories of your garden will last all year in dried form, yielding decorations for the house, for gifts, and celebrations. The techniques are described in "Harvesting, Preserving & Arranging Dried Flowers" (Artisan, $30 hardcover), by Cathy Miller.

SEEDS FOR THOUGHT

Categories of gardeners listed

By Deborah A. Benge Frost

Like personalities, individual gardening styles tend to fall into general categories. Not everybody gardens the same.



Benge Frost

Before I go any farther, I have to confess I stole this topic from last month's Flower and Garden magazine. According to the author, whose name I can't remember, gardeners can be broadly categorized into certain types — farmers, specialists, landscapers, artists, collectors and nature lovers.

Farmers, naturally enough, often come from a rural background. They tend to garden the way their fathers farmed. They generally raise vegetables in perfectly laid-out gardens — everything growing in straight lines. Farmers tend to work hard for pest-free gardens. Insects, plant diseases and weeds wouldn't *dare* invade a farmer's garden. To get the desired effect, they frequently rely on pesticides, super fertilizers, miracle humic acid products and other gardening chemicals. They tend to be more technical and use soil probes, soil thermometers and power sprayers. Fancy rototillers and small tractors are not uncommon in farmers' gardens. Their harvest is usually prolific, producing an abundance of produce that can make even grateful neighbors hide behind closed doors.

Specialists are absorbed in the culture of only one type or group of plants. They might grow only cacti, tropicals, orchids, African violets, bromeliads or any other plants they find fascinating. Specialists usually do an excellent job of growing their chosen plants, while the rest of their yards or gardens may be totally neglected. These growers know volumes about their chosen plants. They too tend to rely on special fertilizers, products, lights, greenhouses and pesticides to achieve the perfect plant specimen.

Landscapers are driven by the search for the flawless landscape. Balance, unity, scale, symmetry and other landscaping principles are thoroughly executed. Shrubs, trees, ground covers and vines are uniform, massed, blended and flowing. Plants are carefully clipped and groomed. Beds are clean cut with the sharp edge of steel, brick or concrete edgings. Walks, drives and patios are generously sized, artistic and made of sophisticated materials. Landscapers share some of the same resources farmers use to achieve the desired look. In short, landscapers make a plan and follow it until they reach their goals.

Artists are those free spirits who express themselves by using plants like a paint palette and the landscape as their canvas. They use color boldly and tastefully. Artists also use a lot of landscape accessories to lend an enchanting quality to their gardens. They collect glass, rocks, tile, benches and an endless array of interesting garden baubles. They sometimes use sculpture, stonework and ironwork. Artists have the ability to take all of these embellishments, plants and garden structures, and arrange them to look completely compatible. The end results are charming, homey, comfortable and fun.

Collectors can't help themselves — they just *have* to have at least one of everything. The curious horticulturist in them drives them to acquire new and different plants. Just like trophy hunters, collectors bag their prey and take them home to once again try to find a 4-inch square of garden soil in which to plant the promising new find. Collectors break all the rules of landscaping — balance, scale, unity and uniformity go out the window. Despite the lack of design order, their gardens are often charming and homey. A tomato plant might be next to a flowering perennial, while both sit in the shadow edge of a peach tree. These gardeners get wide-eyed and animated as they share plant material with other enthusiasts. Collectors, like artists, have interesting yards.

Nature lovers want to attract birds and insects into their yards. In the process, they plant gardens that provide food, shelter, habitat or color for these animals. Nature lovers' landscapes tend to be freer than many others. Wild flowers and native plants are allowed, encouraged or planted. Grasses tend to be taller and alleys, woollier. Nature lovers almost never rely on chemical pesticides. If they need pest control, they use organics or let nature take its course.

Not all gardeners fit nicely into into these categories. Some may have traits of several of them. Deciding which one — or more than one — you fit in can be fun.

Deborah A. Benge Frost is the extension horticulture agent for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Midland and Ector Counties.

DEAR ABBY

Boy taught to trust police puts lesson to good use

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: As a young parent, I was appalled to hear other parents threaten to call the police and have their children taken to jail when they misbehaved.

I am now in my 80s and I'm horrified to see that the same threat is still being used. I raised five children and taught them that the police were their friends.



Van Buren

It paid off when my 4-year-old son, Larry, disappeared while we were shopping. As I frantically searched for him, I spotted him perched on an officer's shoulder.

After having Larry identify me, the policeman laughed and told me that Larry had approached him for help. When he asked my son if he was lost, Larry answered: "No, I'm not lost. I'm here. My mamma is lost. Will you find her for me?" That was only one time out of many that the police have befriended us. I wish you would print something to the effect that law enforcement officers are there to help.

Also, I do not believe in corporal punishment. I have always felt that children are usually punished when parents are angry, not when the children are naughty. As my mother always said, "What you are too stupid to teach them, you cannot knock into them." So I have never had to resort to corporal punishment.

I love your column and your sensible answers. — FREDA L. DAVIS, KEAAU, HAWAII

DEAR FREDA: Thank you. I agree. It makes no sense to make a child fearful of the very person he or she may need in an emergency. Children who are treated with respect will grow up to respect others. Hitting teaches only that might makes right.

DEAR ABBY: A few years ago, a man named Robert wrote to you. He was brokenhearted because a girl he loved would not wait for his return from a mission for the Special Operations branch of the Army. You told him that the lady he lost was in fact the loser. Your kind response meant a lot to him.

How do I know? Today it is I who waits for this wonderful man. I met Robert two years ago on the Internet. I was a single mother living on a farm in the foothills of North Carolina. Robert was living in California. Soon after we met, he was deployed to Guam on a voluntary mission.

With Internet access in Guam, we were able to continue our relationship, which was built on communication and a mountain of faith. We eventually grew to love each other.

In March 1997, Robert flew directly to North Carolina from Guam and we met face-to-face for the first time. It was a dream come true for both of us. Robert and I drove to California to stay with his family while we finalized wedding plans and looked for a home of our own.

Shortly after we arrived, we learned that Robert would deploy again, this time involuntarily as part of a civil affairs mission to Bosnia. His orders were for 270 days.

Today I patiently await his return, when I will become his wife. He is the love of my life and I am grateful we found each other.

Abby, you were right when you said someday there will be a girl deserving of Robert's love and she will have the patience to wait for him. Well, that girl is me. Thank you for your letter to him those few years ago. You gave him faith and now his wait is over. — AMY IN REDLANDS, CALIF.

DEAR AMY: I'm delighted I could help. My best wishes to both of you for a long and happy marriage.

Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Altrusa International names Yocom as Woman of the Year

Staff Reports

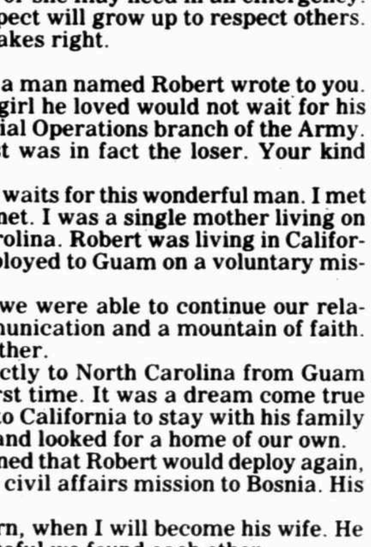
Theresa Yocom was presented the Lucy Mashburn Award for Outstanding Community Service by Altrusa International of Midland on Thursday at the club's annual awards banquet. Mrs. Yocum is the 23rd woman to be receive the award.

A petroleum engineer with Conoco, Mrs. Yocom is a volunteer for several agencies, including ABC Quilts, a national non-profit organization that provides quilts to "at risk" children. She is zone coordinator for a six-state area, facilitating the distribution of supplies as well as cutting, sorting and shipping materials. She has directly distributed about 3,000 quilts.

She also works with Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Midland, and has had a "Little Sister" for six years.

Mrs. Yocom has been involved with Dress-A-Live-Doll since 1989, and has provided clothing for nine children during each holiday season since that time.

She also volunteers for Permian Basin Center for Battered Women and Their Children, Christmas In April, March of Dimes, United Way, Partners in Education and Permian Basin Food Bank.



Theresa Yocom

She has lived in Midland for 16 years. Mrs. Yocom and her husband are members of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

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ENGAGEMENTS

McCOWEN-DEDMON

Mecca Lynn McCowen and Christopher Ray Dedmon, both of Midland, are planning to be married 2 p.m. July 11 at Colonial Hill Baptist Church in Snyder. The bride-elect is the daughter of Don and Pat McCowen of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Peggy Acker of Moore, Okla., and Larry Dedmon of Jacksonville, Fla.

Miss McCowen is a 1993 graduate of Snyder High School. She is scheduled to earn an associate's degree in veterinary technology from Midland College in May. Her fiance graduated from Boone High School in Orlando, Fla., and served four years in the U.S. Air Force. He is employed with Dowell-Schlumberger.



Mecca Lynn McCowen and Christopher Ray Dedmon

BRANSON-DENT

Michelle Denise Branson of Lubbock and Hardy Lee Dent III of Idalou are planning a 2 p.m. May 2 wedding at First Christian Church in Lubbock. Parents of bride-elect are former Midlanders Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kubica of Kerrville and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Branson of Walnut Grove, Mo. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Dent of Hale Center.

Miss Branson is a 1985 graduate of Midland High School. She attended South Plains College and Texas Tech University, and is a nurse with Phoenix Home Care Services. Her fiance graduated from Hale Center High School in 1971 and attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University. He is employed with Building Specialties.



Michelle Denise Branson and Hardy Lee Dent III

CLARK-RICHARDSON

Cynthia Ann Clark and James Ryan Richardson, both of Midland, are planning a 2 p.m. May 16 wedding at Brunswick United Methodist Church in Brunswick, Mo. The bride-elect is the daughter of Jim and Joann Clark of Midland, and Carolyn Cook of Fort Smith, Ark. Parents of the future bridegroom are Lesley and Joyce Sears of Brunswick, Mo., and the late Jerry Richardson. He is the grandson of J.P. Richardson and Gilbert Roy of Brunswick.

Ms. Clark is a 1986 graduate of Plano East Senior High School. She attended Midland College and Richland College, and is employed with Officemax. Her fiance is a 1992 graduate of Brunswick High School and a 1996 graduate of Missouri University at Columbus, where he earned a degree in journalism. He is employed with the Midland Angels and the Odessa Jackelops.



Cynthia Ann Clark and James Ryan Richardson

BREEDING-LANGSTON

Michelle Breeding and Michael Langston, both of Midland, are planning a 7 p.m. March 28 wedding at First Baptist Church in Midland. The bride-elect is the daughter of Kathy Garrett of Midland. Lyda Smith of Kermit is mother of the future bridegroom.

Ms. Breeding is a 1984 graduate of Lee High School and is employed with Costilla Energy Inc. Her fiance graduated from Kermit High School in 1986. He is employed with United Parcel Service.



Michelle Breeding and Michael Langston

BEDONT-KING

Michelle Lynn Bedont of Greensburg, Pa., and Jeffery Alan King of Vernon, Conn., are planning to be married 3:30 p.m. April 11 at Trinity Unity Methodist Church in Greensburg. Parents of the bride-elect are James and June Bedont of Greensburg. The future bridegroom is the son of Mark and Carlene Roberson of Midland and Dean and DeAnna King of Lamesa.

Miss Bedont is a 1990 graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is a registered nurse with American Mobile Nurses. Her fiance graduated from Lee High School in Midland in 1989 and from the University of Connecticut in 1997. He is a petty officer with the U.S. Coast Guard.



Michelle Lynn Bedont and Jeffery Alan King

MEANS-YARBROUGH

Amber Dawn Means and Shawnessy Yarbrough, both of Midland, are planning to be married 4 p.m. March 28 at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Midland. The bride-elect is the daughter of David and Maggie Means of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Gerald and Dyann Yarbrough of Midland.

Miss Means will graduate from Greenwood High School this year. She is a member of the National Honor Society, U.I.L. and the Drama Club. She is employed with JCPenney. Her fiance is employed with Bo's RVs.



Amber Dawn Means and Shawnessy Yarbrough

LINNE-MATHESON

Brandi D'Ann Linne and Ricky Allen Matheson, both of Midland, are planning to be married 4 p.m. March 21 in Midland. Parents of the bride-elect are Aubrey A. Linne and Gigi Linne of Midland, and Peggy Linne of Bedford. The future bridegroom is the son of Daniel and Rozanne Smith of Midland.

Miss Linne graduated from Lee High School in 1993 and attended Midland College. She is a member of AOTT, DAR and ARC. Her fiance is a 1996 graduate of Midland High School. He is scheduled to graduate from MC in 1999 with a degree in electronics. He is employed with Rocky Ford.

Good posture can help lungs, brain work better

By Carolyn Poirot
N.Y. Times News Service

FORT WORTH — Stand up straight, shoulders back, quit slouching, don't slump.

At the risk of sounding like our mothers, we relentlessly remind our children of the value of good posture.

That's OK, because our mothers were right: Posture plays a sizable role not only in how we look, but also in how we feel — and even in how well our internal organs function.

Posture determines the pull of gravity on the body, and if life in general seems to be weighing you down, it may be in part because you are giving gravity too much leverage.

When you slouch, you present a larger area of the body parallel to the ground, giving gravity a larger area to pull against, points out Dr. Kari Rollins, medical director of the Wellness Center.

"Water is to fish like gravity is to people," Rollins says. "We don't feel it, but the more vertical we are with respect to gravity, the less area there is to pull down on. Standing and sitting straight makes us lighter, gives us less resistance."

Poor posture makes us like the Leaning Tower of Pisa. It takes 780 tons of lead at the base of the 180-foot bell tower to act as a counterbalance and prevent it from succumbing to gravity.

By properly aligning our bodies — ears centered over shoulders, shoulders over hips, hips over knees and knees over ankles — we give gravity the least area to pull against.

A basic premise of osteopathic medicine is that structure determines function, notes Rollins, an osteopathic physician and yoga teacher.

"Structure affects internal organs. Slump, and your lungs can't breathe easily," she says. "Slouch and it slows circulation. You put too many kinks in the plumbing, and blood doesn't flow well.

"Poor circulation to the brain makes it difficult to think."

Poor posture also puts more stress on the joints and causes people to look older, heavier and more tired.

"Stand up straight, pull your shoulders back. Now, drop your shoulders, chest out. You look 10 pounds thinner," says Diana Roehl, a fitness instructor who teaches yoga at the Fort Worth Downtown YMCA.

"Walk like you are a little proud. Hold that chest up and out. You look thinner, taller and prouder."

The whole body aligns itself when you stand tall or sit straight, Roehl points out.

"Everything we do — from typing at our desks and talking on the phone to taking care of our children — tends to pull our shoulders and necks forward.

"We have to deliberately make an effort to hold ourselves up and back, but you get used to it and it feels good," Roehl says.

"Hardly anything we do causes us to hold our back straight — unless we make a conscious effort."

She recommends taking notice of our posture often during the day and correcting it every time we think of it.

"When you get in the car, place your head back against the headrest, shake out your shoulders and push back against the seat. It feels unnatural at first, but it will start to feel good and become habit," Roehl says.

"The age-old fight against aging is, in part, a fight against gravity," she adds.

Carolyn Poirot writes on health issues for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Visit the Star-Telegram's online services on the World Wide Web: www.star-telegram.com

Engineer designs automated home

By Dick Brown
Associated Press

GREENVILLE —"Welcome to our home," is the greeting everyone receives from an unseen voice while looking for a door bell at Tim and Sandy Skaja's house.

A door bell doesn't exist and the automated greeting is only the beginning of many features in the Skaja family's automated home.

A senior systems engineer at Raytheon Systems Co., in Greenville, Skaja has been integrating systems for nearly 17 years. He began automating his home several years ago as a hobby.

But as more off-the-shelf hardware became available at cheaper prices, he began to think in terms of a business. About a year ago he established C-Cube Automation, installing customized home automation systems to fit the customer's every need or desire.

The road hasn't always been smooth, however. In the beginning Skaja says he had to integrate the system with boards he built in automating his first house.

AND IN 1995 lightning ran in on his line and destroyed the system. Fortunately he had the the diagrams from the original 1988 system. He not only rebuilt the system, but greatly enhanced it.

"The lightning gave me a chance to wipe the slate clean. I had good notes and diagrams and upgraded the system," Skaja said. "There had been a lot of changes since 1988, when I had to build all the circuit boards, software and everything from scratch. I did all the interfacing, and the main computer was about the only piece of equipment I bought off-the-shelf.

"Now all the pieces are available and all I have to do is provide the imagination to put them together."

The system in his current house is the third generation and is almost completely automated he says. The computer can be accessed from any one of 18 telephones located throughout the house and back yard.

Daughters, Melissa, 8, and Sarah, 6, have speaker phones by their beds which wake them up in the morning with a rooster crowing. At bedtime a barking dog announces it's time to get ready for bed. After about 30 minutes a cuckoo clock sounds it's time for lights out, which go off automatically.

"We think this is better than Sandy or my having to tell them it is time for bed or to get up," Skaja said. "At night we turn off the phones at 10 p.m., but the phone still takes messages without ringing. In case of emergencies, all of our relatives' numbers are programmed in and they can ring through the caller ID system."

The telephone system is the most sophisticated part of all the systems in the house, and is backed up with batteries in case of a power outage. All the house controls, including heat, cooling, lights, TV, house alarms and appliances to name a few, can be controlled from any room in the house by the telephone key pad.

While the automation appears to be creature comfort gadgets, Skaja says he is only transferring the thought processes replaced in the computer automation of automobile maintenance to the home, making them more efficient and safe.

And the more sophisticated the system, a little more maintenance is required but, Skaja said, "I am working on that on this prototype to reduce the maintenance."

Their family car becomes an extension of the house system and can communicate through the car phone. Through satellite link the car can be monitored on the family TV which displays a city street map. The computer also gives an audio location of the car at timed intervals, according to Skaja.

On the other hand, if the family drove away and forgot to close the garage door, a sensor will remind them in the car that the door was left open.

Not to worry, he says, the garage door will close automatically within a few minutes. Skaja explained that when a car leaves the driveway, it trips a sensor that will activate automatically if the door is left open.

TELEPHONES ARE not the only means to control household appliances and operations. A voice activated Macintosh called Buster in the study can operate lights and even tell knock-knock jokes on request.

Another voice activated computer that answers to Barney is located next to the family TV in the living room. Barney can operate the TV, stereo, regulate the heat or air conditioning, turn lights on or off anywhere in the house. Barney is very polite in carrying out requests from his "master."

Occasionally the Skajas get a little embarassed over incidents that have resulted from the system watching the house.

"When you come up to the front porch at night the light comes on," Sandy said. "The first Halloween after Tim had installed the camera on the front porch, kids came up to the porch and knocked. When no one came they turned and left thinking we weren't home. Then the security system turned on the inside lights and they came scurrying back. We felt so bad, we weren't thinking of all those trick or treaters coming to the house while we were at church."

Sandy, a former E-Systems employee and former director of the Greenville Recycles Center, says she enjoys her Mac and desktop publishing, and leaves the sophisticated automation to Tim.

"I enjoy the automation of the house, but that is Tim's love. I really enjoy the desktop publishing capabilities of my Macintosh and the girls are pretty good at using the system too," Sandy said.

She also enjoys the monitor built into the kitchen wall with the pull-out keyboard to make up her grocery list. When she is ready to go shopping, she just prints out the list and is on her way.

Skaja's goal is to make the house completely automated and use it as a demonstrator home for potential business customers. Even with all the motion detectors, video cameras and light sensors for security and creature convenience, he says there is always room for improvement.

"It is an on-going process because the technology continues to change as it advances," said Skaja. "I feel fortunate that what I enjoy doing as a hobby has evolved into a business venture."

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WEDDINGS

WILSON-BUCHANAN

ABBEVILLE, La. — St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Abbeville was the setting for the 7 p.m. Feb. 27 wedding of Casey Ellann Wilson of Midland, Texas, and Brett Reed Buchanan of Houma. The Rev. Mark Derise officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dan Wilson of Midland. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Stuart Buchanan of Houston.

Megan Gant of Houston served as honor attendant for her sister. The bride's other attendants were Christie Arena of Benbrook, sister of the bridegroom; Kristy Lambert, Jenny Jones and Trinia Thompson of Tomball, Texas, and Holley Mallory of Tuscaloosa, Ala. Flower girls were Slane Arena of Benbrook, niece of the bridegroom, and Janie Muhlinghause of Midland.

James Stuart Buchanan was honor attendant for his son. The bridegroom also was attended by his brother, Toby Wilson of Tuscaloosa, Mike Elias and Corey Burns of Lafayette, Blaine Dugas of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Stephan Mouton of Houston. Ushers were Brian Pendleton of Fort Worth, Texas, Ron Burns of Albuquerque, N.M. and Kent Charpentier of Lafayette. Ring bearers were Slade Arean of Benbrook, nephew of the bridegroom, and Matt Muhlinghause of Midland.



Mrs. Brett Reed Buchanan

After a wedding trip to St. Thomas, St. Croix and San Juan, Puerto Rico, the couple will live in Houma.

KIDD-HUGHSTON

HOUSTON — Sharlyn Gail Kidd and Paul Oliver Hughston were married 3:30 p.m. Feb. 7 at St. Phillip Presbyterian Church in Houston. The Rev Dr. Fairfax Fair and Rev. Ben Skyles officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Billie R. Kidd and Dr. and Mrs. Thornton L. Kidd, all of Pasadena. Parents of the bridegroom are Rose Ann Hughston of Midland and the late Dr. Thomas N. Hughston.

Mimi Lintott Spruiell of Austin was honor attendant for the bride. Her other attendants were Molly Lintott of Houston and Sherri Walton Hoeler of Plano. Flower girls were Heather Hughston and Gracie Hughston, nieces of the bridegroom.

Doug Hughston of Bedford served his brother as honor attendant. The bridegroom also was attended by his brothers, Ty Hughston of San Angelo and Woody Hughston of Centreville, Va. Ushers were Bill Cone, Wade Ingram, Dave Middleton, and the bridegroom's nephews, Tate Hughston and Adam Hughston.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. She earned a master of business administration degree from the University of Houston in Clear Lake, and is employed with Dean Witter. Her husband, a graduate of Angelo State University, is an associate vice president with Dean Witter.



Mrs. Paul Oliver Hughston

After a wedding trip to the Caribbean, the couple lives in Houston.

KING-SCOTT

Elizabeth Louise King of Midland and James Bradley Scott of Odessa were married 5:30 p.m. Feb. 28 at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Midland. The Rev. Robert E. Lathan officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Dorothy Black of Midland and Bennie Wilson of Rosenberg. The bridegroom is the son of Paula Scott of Odessa, and the grandson of Merle Scott of Odessa.

Cheryl Robertson of San Antonio, sister of the bride, and LaShonda Jackson of Midland were honor attendants for the bride. Her other attendants were her nieces, Christion Robertson and Courtney Robertson of San Antonio. Flower girl was Klatrese McPherson.

William King of Midland, brother of the bride, was the bridegroom's honor attendant. He also was attended by Anthrone Jones, Aaron Jackson and John P. Johnson, grandfather of the bride. Byron Scott of Odessa, son of the bridegroom, was ring bearer.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Lee High School. Her husband graduated from Odessa High School in 1994.



Mr. and Mrs. James Bradley Scott

After a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple will live in Midland.

BROWNE-PRICE

PENWELL — Janine Jones Browne became the bride of James Michael Price 6 p.m. Feb. 14 in the home of A.J. (Jack) and Brenda Price of Penwell, parents of the bridegroom. Judge Eddy Spivey officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Catherine M. Jones of Proctor and the late Glenn C. Jones.

Deana Castro of Midland was honor attendant for the bride. The bridegroom's honor attendant was his brother, A.J. (Sonny) Price Jr. Stephanie Price of Odessa, daughter of the bridegroom, was flower girl, and Jeremy Price and Mathew Price, sons of the bridegroom, were ring bearers.

The bride graduated from Dilley High School in 1981 and attended Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde. She is employed with the *Reporter-Telegram*. Her husband is a 1984 graduate of Odessa High School and a 1995 graduate of Odessa College School of Respiratory Therapy. He is employed with Medical Center Hospital in Odessa.



Mr. and Mrs. James Michael Price

The couple honeymooned in Lubbock.

KENAN-LAMBERTI

ODESSA — Amy Denise Kenan of Odessa and Tony James Lamberti of Arlington were married Jan. 17 at Temple Baptist Church in Odessa. The Rev. Jerry Thorpe officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Jimmy and Rebecca Echols of Odessa. Parents of the bridegroom are Rex Lamberti of Ankeny, Iowa, and the late Harriett Lamberti.

The couple's honor attendants were Yvonne Owen and Rex Lamberti. They also were attended by Jane Duckworth, John Watkins, Jennifer Campbell, Mike Godfrey, Melissa Higdon, Clint Shanks, Amanda Dugan, Josh Echols, Amber Dugan and Jason Prall.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Permian High School and earned an associate's degree in nursing from Odessa College. She is a registered nurse with Arlington Memorial Hospital. Her husband graduated from PHS in 1986 and attended OC. He is a computer programmer with First Rate in Arlington.



Mr. and Mrs. Tony James Lamberti

After a wedding trip to Houston and Galveston, the couple lives in Arlington.

MILLS-BANKS

Community of Christ Church in Midland was the setting for the 1 p.m. Feb. 14 wedding of Stephanie Breann Mills and John Ryan Banks, both of Midland. Elder Carl Leonard Jr. of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mills of Midland, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.D. Mills of Midland, and Ray Eaton of Midland and the late Evelyn Eaton. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Banks of Midland. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Max Schumann of Midland and the late Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Banks.

Stacy Osborn of Midland was honor attendant for the bride. The bride's other attendants were her sisters, Jaime Mills and Roni Jo Mills of Midland. Layne Banks of Midland, the couple's daughter, was flower girl.

Johnny Banks served his son as honor attendant. The bridegroom was also attended by Jason Collier and Andy Conklin of Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan Banks

Ushers were Shane Howard and Brandon Schumann of Midland. Marc Barron of Midland was ring bearer.

The couple lives in Midland.

LUMMUS-FRASIER

Cyndi Lummus of Midland became the bride of Allen Zane Frasier Jr., also of Midland, 2 p.m. Feb. 28 in Midland. The Rev. Bill Simpson officiated.

Parents of the bride are Jill Broughton of Midland and Gary Lummus of Odessa. Her grandparents are Kay and Willie Hudnall, and her great-grandparents are Myrtle and Sandy Sandford. The bridegroom is the son of Nonie and Allen Frasier of Midland and Theresa Bailey of Beeville.

The couple was attended by Jenny Dennis and Johnny Lozano. Brittany Frasier, daughter of the bridegroom, was flower girl, and Breanna Frasier, daughter of the bridegroom, was ring bearer.



Mr. and Mrs. Allen Zane Frasier Jr.

YARBROUGH-GARY

SPRINGFIELD, Tenn. — Former Midlander Rusty (Darla) Yarbrough and James W. Gary, both of Springfield, were married 10 a.m. Jan. 24 at the Wedding Chapel in Springfield.

Parents of the bride are Raymona Albrecht of Sandra, Texas, and Willis Winton Sr. of Plainview, Texas. The bridegroom is the son of the late Willard and Ruth Gary.

The bride attended Odessa College and Midland College, and is employed with Maries. Her husband is a 1967 graduate of Texas Christian University and is employed with Brad Ragen Inc.

After a wedding trip to Clarksville, the couple lives in Springfield.



Mr. and Mrs. James W. Gary

THOMPSON-LIGHT

Melissa Thompson and Russell Light, both of Midland, were married Feb. 14 in the home of Ben and Marsha Shattuck of Midland, parents of the bride. The Rev. Hollis Shewmake of Levelland officiated.

Parents of the bridegroom are W.A. Nonny Light of Taft, Calif., and the late Russell Light.

Beverly Graham of Katy was honor attendant for her sister. The bride also was attended by her children, Kyle Thompson and Sara Thompson.

Larry Welch of Midland was the bridegroom's honor attendant.

After a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple lives in Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. Russell Light

ROBERTSON-MAY

DAYTON, Ohio — Ginger Annette Robertson of Dayton became the bride of Allen Heath May, also of Dayton, 2:30 p.m. Feb. 28 in Dayton. The Rev. John Mark Benson, uncle of the bride, officiated.

Parents of the bride are W. Allen and Mary Robertson of Midland, Texas. The bridegroom is the son of Orin A. and Annette C. May of Dayton.

Melissa Thomas of Austin, Texas, and Molly Robertson of Midland were honor attendants for their sister. Flower girls were Aurora "Sage" Robertson of Midland, niece of the bride, and Kasey Marie Lehman of Waynesville, niece of the bridegroom.

Jon May of Honolulu served as honor attendant for his brother. The bridegroom also was attended by Brian Thomas of Austin and Steven Benson of Houston.

The couple will take a wedding trip to Belize City, Belize.



Mr. and Mrs. Allen Heath May

EVANS-YOUNG

Diana Kay Evans and David Thomas Young, both of Midland, were married 2 p.m. Feb. 14 at Crestview Baptist Church in Midland. The Rev. Don Norris officiated.

Parents of the bride are Allyn and Wanda Evans of Midland. The bridegroom is the son of Delene Young and Joe and Linda Young, all of Odessa.

Chrystal Crotwell of Odessa was honor attendant for the bride, who also was attended by her daughter, Lindsey Evans of Midland.

David Crotwell served as bridegroom's honor attendant. The bridegroom also was attended by his son, Justin Young of Odessa.

The bride is a 1985 Lee High School graduate and is employed with CSC Credit Services. Her husband graduated from Odessa High School in 1988 and is employed with Frito-Lay.

After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, N.M., the couple lives in Midland.

WHITSON-STOVALL

TULSA, Okla. — Valerie Denise Whitson and Stephen Wood Stovall were married Feb. 7 at the Church of St. Mary in Tulsa.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Whitson of Tulsa. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy R. Stovall of Midland, Texas. His grandparents are Eunice Stack of Wichita Falls, Texas, and Ruth Coffman of Coree, Texas.

Danielle Delys and Tracy Cornish Blauvelt were honor attendants for the bride. Scott Stovall was honor attendant for his brother, who also was attended by Charles Whitson, brother of the bride.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma. She is an accountant with National Institutional Pharmacy Services Inc. Her husband graduated from Baylor University and earned a master's degree from the University of Texas. He is a regulatory compliance officer with Banc One Corp.

The couple honeymooned in Quebec City. They live in Columbus, Ohio.

LIFESTYLE POLICIES

The Reporter-Telegram publishes engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements free of charge.

Deadline to get an announcement in the Sunday paper — including wedding and engagement announcements — is 5 p.m. the preceding Monday. For publication in a weekday paper, information should be received two days before it is to be published.

There is no limit as to how early in advance of the wedding an engagement can be announced. However, engagements are accepted to appear in the paper no later than two weeks before the wedding date.

Wedding announcements are accepted up to six weeks of the event. Anniversary announcements — 25th or higher — are also accepted up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

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 and engagement announcements, and with anniversary announcements of 25 years or more, but are not required.

A portrait of the bride-elect or of the future bride and bridegroom together may be submitted with engagement announcements.

Portrait photographs of the bride only or photos 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.

Portrait painter started career as lawyer

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP) — George Catlin, born here in 1796, was a lawyer before moving to Philadelphia to become a professional portrait painter.

A turning point in his career came in 1829, when after meeting a group of American Indians from the West, he began specializing in painting Indians and their way of life.

In the 1830s he completed nearly 600 paintings of Indian subjects in the Northwest and Plains territory. Many are now in Washington's Smithsonian Institution. Some of his other works are in New York City's American Museum of Natural History.

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Club News

MIDLAND DOWNTOWN LION TAMERS

Midland Downtown Lion Tamers met at Ranchland Hills Country Club with 28 members and guests, Mary Miles and Sue Townsend, attending. Faye Daugherty presided. Bonnie Minton gave the invocation and pledge. Phyllis Gonzales a gave a program on "Fabulous after Fifty."

CHAPTER GD, P.E.O. SISTERHOOD

Chapter GD of the P.E.O. Sisterhood met in the home of Kathi Clavin. Jane Kraweitz presided. President's Letter was read. Jennifer Gallagher was a guest.

MIDLAND PALETTE CLUB

Midland Palette Club met at the clubhouse with Plyna Nesbitt presiding, and 38 members and guests attending. Minutes were read and approved; treasurer's report was given. Announcements were made. Ms. Nesbitt introduced Jo Beth Gilliam, watercolorist from Lubbock, who demonstrated her freestyle painting technique. Hostesses were Eva Dennis and Marie Bond. After the meeting, a two-day workshop was presented.

VAN

Visual Aids Needs and Services (VAN) met for a program on recognizing and protecting from telephone scam. Dick Rowland of the Better Business Bureau was guest speaker. Socializing and lunch followed.

MUSICIANS CLUB

Musicians Club met in the home of Mrs. Wayne Matthews. Hostesses were Mrs. John D. Stone and Mrs. Dennis Bade. The hymn of the month, "At Your Feet, Our God and Father," was led by Debby Vester. Program on "With An Eye to the Future, Andrew Lloyd Webber," was presented by Linda Fox. Performing were Claudia Traxel, Kathleen Janssen, Vivian Moss, Ms. Fox, Ms. Vester, Martha Lewis and Edith Hardy.

PERMIAN BASIN CHAPTER, POETRY SOCIETY OF TEXAS

Permian Basin chapter, Poetry Society of Texas, met at the Presidential Museum in Odessa, with 12 members and four guests attending. Karen Graves presided and read "The Creation" by the Rev. James Weldon Johnson. Members turned in poetry entries for the March contest, to be judged by Midland College English professor Rebecca Watson. Lucy Calloway will chair the student poetry contest. Julia Sharrod reported on the Odessa Cultural Council meeting. Copyright laws were discussed. Program celebrating Black poetry was presented by Ms. Graves, speaking on Maya Angelou, and Pat Peek, speaking on Langston Hughes. Liz Canneady was a guest speaker.

BLACK IMAGE

Black Image met in the home of Michael Thomas with 12 members attending. Margie McCoy presided. Sammie Williamson recorded the minutes. Committee reports were given. Mary and Robert Burks received the club project for the Christmas In April program. Club members voted to participate in Keep Midland Beautiful. Garage sale and upcoming Stokes-Parker District meeting were discussed.

MIDLAND SOCIETY OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

Midland Society of University Women met at the home of Dean Lanier with 22 members attending. Louise Rahn was a guest. Marilyn Irving, MCA, gave a program on "Handwriting Analysis." Hostesses were Martha Moore, Edna Keith, Esther Denton and Martha Chapelle.

GWYN GARDENERS

Gwyn Gardeners met at the home of Mary Ann Phares with Lena Ochsner and Dorothy Mathews as co-hostesses and 15 members attending. Modell McCright presided. Ms. Phares gave the financial report. Ray Fagan, meteorologist with the National Weather Service, gave a program on "Severe Weather Tips and Information."

LAUREATE NU CHAPTER, BSP

Laureate Nu chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Marline Byrd. Melva Sizemore presided and nine members attended. Committee reports were given and plans were made. Ms. Byrd gave a program on "One Dear to My Heart," about her granddaughter.

CHAPTER BS, P.E.O. SISTERHOOD

Chapter BS of the P.E.O. Sisterhood met for luncheon at Midland Country Club. Dorothy Casselman was hostess. Virginia Summersgill read the President's Letter. Ms. Casselman gave a program on the constitution and bylaws of the sisterhood. Susan Rogers and Mildred Baxter were guests.

Like life, bridge not for wimps

By Bill Goodykoontz
N.Y. Times News Service

PHOENIX — A few hours of watching the Sunshine Sectional bridge tournament here recently led to the following observation: This game is a lot like life.

For proof, listen to Marion Weatherwax, the president of the Yuma, Ariz., unit of the American Contract Bridge League:

"There are no secrets," she said. "If you have secrets, that's called cheating. If you have secrets and you get caught, you get thrown out."

Sound advice for a married couple, but she was talking about the rules of bidding.

Later, as the players sat down to the 36 card tables set up in a hotel conference room, Weatherwax said I would be allowed to "kibitz."

"That's a person who watches — silently," she said. "Usually the person being kibitzed is a real good player. Then, after the hand is over, you can tell them what they "should" have done."

Just like real life. Distressingly so.

(A word of disclosure: I know next to nothing about bridge. Which is also what I know about life, so why quibble?)

The Sunshine Sectional is known as the "Cookie Tournament" because players traditionally bring sweet treats as snacks. But the grins and chuckles belie the keen competition present in any serious bridge contest.

Not your parents' pursuit "Bridge is the greatest exercise of the mind there is," said Gordon Nichols, the co-chairman of the tournament. "You never master it. It's friendly, but you're there to win."

To clarify: This isn't the game your parents played in the neighbors' living room. That's party bridge, or kitchen bridge, as some call it. This was a regulated sectional tournament of duplicate contract bridge, an ingenious format that requires that all teams eventually play the same hand. It's the difference between a pickup basketball game at your local park and the NCAA Tournament.

Jim Dunlap's wife won't even play in a duplicate-bridge tournament.

"She thinks it's too competitive," he said, before sitting down to play. She will play party bridge with him. A good thing — Dunlap is an expert player, who won a national championship in 1967. Parkinson's disease has slowed some aspects of his life, but not his bridge playing.

"The doctor says it's the only thing that's kept me going," he said. "I play more for mental alertness and socialization now, where I used to play for blood."

I think he was kidding. Some.

Play started when the tournament directors dropped three "boards" onto each black table. Each contained a new deck of cards. As the cards were dealt, Weatherwax turned to me and reminded, "Now, this is when you get to be quiet."

For insiders only. Once the dealing was done, relative silence fell over the room. All bids and passes were made with multicolored cards, which were stored in bright-yellow boxes on the tables. It was fascinating to watch because all players made their moves with such confidence.

To a non-player, it was like being plopped down into the middle of downtown Paris without knowing how to speak French. The natives do it without even thinking about it, but the visitor is left mute by ignorance.

After the first hand, Weatherwax and her husband, Dick, garnered four spades and a south, made five, for 650 points. I'm not exactly sure what that means, but it seemed to be good.

To give you some idea of how competitive a bridge game can be, the Weatherwaxes are one of the few married couples who played together.

"This is the undoing of some marriages," Marion said. "You might have everything all set up and they screw it up. You have to remember what's important."

And to think, they don't even play for money. Just something called Masters Points ("and ego," someone noted). But it was tough enough that I'd be wary of playing, fearful I would make a mistake.

Not an expert like Dunlap.

"When you've played a long time, you don't make mistakes," he explained. "You make errors in judgment."

Sounds like life to me.

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Expert: Keep children away from power mowers

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Keep the children indoors when you run your power mower, urges Maryann Johnston, emergency center nurse at Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory University.

Mower-related injuries to children accounted for more than 7,500 trips to the emergency room in 1995, she says, and every year, 75 people die in riding lawn mower and tractor accidents — with one out of every five deaths involving a young child.

Her tips for safe operation include never allowing a child to ride on a riding mower, even with an adult.

Keep children indoors while using mowers, power weed trimmers, edgers and garden tractors, she says.

Frequently review your mower's manual for all safety instructions before operating it, and make sure that all safety devices are in place.

Mow only during optimum conditions, during daylight hours and when the grass is not wet.

Refrain from wearing headphones while operating the mower so you have a greater chance of hearing a warning that a child is approaching you.

Johnston points out that the impact of the blade on a power mower delivers a force three times greater than a .357 magnum handgun.

"It is sometimes difficult for people to comprehend that something so routine as a lawn mower has such tremendous wounding capacity," she says.

Bridge Winners

The following are bridge winners for Feb. 9-15.

MONDAY
JUNIOR FUND GAME
FLIGHT A:
1. Leonora Slusher, Betty Reeves
2. Gloria Crites, Becky Kinsey
3. Ruth Fahrig, James Simpson
FLIGHT B:
1. James Simpson, Ruth Fahrig
2. Jimmie Branch, Jimmy Cox
3. Linda Warden, Marian Sims

TUESDAY
1. Buf Slay, Jerry Crooker
2. Mary Hammond, Jimmie Penn
3. Sandra Rea, Marianne Slay
4. Leonora Slusher, Betty Reeves

WEDNESDAY
NORTH-SOUTH:
FLIGHT A:
1. Jimmie Penn, Mark Stark
2. Linda Jerman, Sandra Rea
3. Mary Hammond, Buf Slay
FLIGHT B:
1. Linda Jerman, Sandra Rea
2. Jimmie Branch, Jimmy Cox
3. Laura Williams, Belle Harris
EAST-WEST:
FLIGHT A:
1. Sue Gardiner, Leonora Slusher
2. Belvin Redus, Joe Brittain
3. Mary Renton, Ken Hill
FLIGHT B:
1. Kathryn Gesell, Sally Whitely

THURSDAY
1. Glenda Simmons, Bonnie Hubbard
2. Peggy Leeton, Mary Anne Ochs
3. Harriet Herd, Corrinne Recer
4. Debbie Kemp, Joyce Mitchell
NON-LIFE MASTER:
1. Pat Yocham, Jimmy Cox
2. Sue Conner, Billie Ruppe
3. Terri Tedford, James Simpson
4. Mary Renton, Ken Hill

FRIDAY
1. Joyce Mitchell, Frances Levin
2. Betty Sheeler, Flo Curry
3. Beulah Prichard, Janet Stoltz
4. Joan Daniel, Sandra Rhodes

SATURDAY
1. Buf Slay, Jerry Crooker
2. Betty Reeves, Gloria Crites
3. Sue Gardiner, Ann Servatius
4. Becky and Lyle Kinsey

SUNDAY
1. Mary Renton, Ken Hill
2. Sue Gardiner, Jimmie Branch
3. and 4. Tie: Helen Owen, Glenda Simmons, Mary Hammond, Jimmie Penn

BELLES: Gala weekend hosted

(From 7E)

Duffey, daughter of Susan and Terry Duffey; **Mary Louise Dulaney,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard K. Dulaney; **Ashlee Gale Finke,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Finke; **Leanna Jenness Gilles,** daughter of the Hon. and Mrs. George D. (Jody) Gilles; **Amber Nicole Glanton,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donny G. Glanton; **Kacey Chere' Gragg,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Mauzy; **Kristin Jeanette Graham,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Graham; **Elizabeth Curry Gray,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry L. Gray; **Margery Katherine Grella,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Grella; **Jennifer Ann Harrison,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Harrison; **Cheryl Jeanette Helms,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Helms; **Morgan Alexis Henthorn,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Henthorn; **Ashley Brooke Hillman,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doug R. Hillman; **Risa Lynn Holland,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David L. Holland; **Jill Elizabeth Holly,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Craig Holly; **Veronica Marie Hood,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. Hood; **Eleanor Frances Howard,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven R. Foy; **Becky James,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darryl James; **Carly Raye Jenkins,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Jenkins; **Catherine Elaine Jennings,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Alan Jennings; **Ashley Denae Kellum,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danny L. Kellum; **Emily Jane Kelly,** daughter of Tom Kelly and Jane Ann Kelly; **Laura Elizabeth Koch,** daughter of Dr. and Mrs. David A. Koch; **Amanda Michelle Langford,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Langford; **Julie Erin Leventhal,** daughter of Janice Leventhal and Mrs. and Mrs. Harry Leventhal; **Joanna Christine Lilley,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Lilley; **Lindsey Taylor Lockhart,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Ross; **Lindsay Makay Maddox,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus D. Maddox; **Kelsi Erin Major,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brent Major; **Elizabaeth Ann Majors,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Majors; **Christina Ruth Masdon,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve L. Masdon; **Katie Marie Mathis,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell L. Mathis; **Jamie Elise Mauldin,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy E. Mauldin; **Jenny Nicole Maury,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Maury III; **Meredith Kathleen May,** daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James L. May; **Jessica Gwen McCaslin,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald T. McCaslin; **Terran Deeann McDonald,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry B. McDonald; **Kelsey Starr McMinn,** daughter of Mr. and Mr. Dudley B. McMinn; **Korah Jo Mehaffey,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Mehaffey; **Mary Renee Midkiff,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny T. Midkiff; **Ashley Marie Moore,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick M. Moore; **Ashley Marie Murray,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Murray; **Lauren Nicole Neatherlin,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Neatherlin; **Jennifer A. O'Neill,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan O'Neill; **Kaitlin Amelia Parker,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark S. Parker; **Mary Jane Philpy,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark A. Philpy; **Catherine Page Price,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Price III; **Diana Lynn Prieto,** daughter of Lynn Douglas Prieto and Leigh Trent Prieto; **Marissa Holly Prude,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy D. Prude; **Kelly Garrett Rathbone,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rathbone; **Bonnie Rachel Ray,** daughter of Christy B. Mallams; **Sally Dyan Reese,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Reese; **Laci Leigh Ridgeway,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Ridgeway; **Abby Ann Ritchie,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M.C. Ritchie Jr.; **Courtney Elizabeth Robnett,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve W. Robnett; **Rebecca Suzanne Saunders,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Saunders; **Katherine Atchley Simpson,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berry D. Simpson; **Shelley Lynn Sledge,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David W. Sledge; **Leslie Brooke Smith,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Armando Morales; **Quincy Anne Smith,** daughter of Kelly Smith and Steve Smith; **Kristen Leigh Stoltz,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark A. Stoltz; **Alexis Anne Strickling,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin A. Strickling III; **Lauren Michelle Swartz,** daughter of Libby Swartz and Andrew Swartz; **Leslie Dion Turner,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Turner; **Bobbie Jenea Vaughan,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael R. Vaughan; **Catherine Frances Wade,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Burgess Wade; **Megan Liana Wetzel,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Wetzel; **Sarah Jeanne Williams,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie E. Williams; **Chelsea Marie Wilson,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Word B. Wilson; and **Jillian Rebecca Wisdom,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David L. Wisdom.

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This is the 26th anniversary of the national Jefferson Awards program, which is named for Thomas Jefferson.

While the *Reporter-Telegram* is sponsoring the Permian Basin Awards, the national sponsor is the American Institute for Public Service in New Castle, Delaware.

Readers who know firsthand about the good work people do in their community may nominate them for the Jefferson Awards. Typical of those nominated are people who have organized community efforts to assist those in need, served as volunteers in a variety of programs or raised money to help the less fortunate.

Nominations may be made by individuals, clubs, churches, or other organizations. They should be made by using the form at the bottom of this page. A letter describing the merits and accomplishments of person being nominated should be submitted as well.

Nomination must be received at the *Midland Reporter-Telegram* by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 1998. They should be mailed to: Charles Spence, Publisher, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

Five nominees selected by a panel of local judges for recognition in the Permian Basin will receive Jefferson Award Medallions and will be honored at a luncheon.

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Symphony Belles for 1998 are presented

Staff Reports

Midland Symphony Guild celebrated its 10th annual Gala Weekend this week, beginning with presentation of the Senior Belles at a ball 6:30 p.m. Friday at ClayDesta Atrium. Music was by Lone Star Brass. Entertainment was by Le Masquerade. Buffet dinner was catered by Midland Hilton and Towers.

The Freshman Belles were introduced at a luncheon served by Murray and The Frenchman at 11 a.m. Saturday at ClayDesta Atrium. A style show by Dillard's was featured. Reagan Hughes, Miss Texas, was guest speaker.

This year's Senior Belles are:

■ **Marisa Carolyn Beck,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Beck. An academic letterman at Lee High School, she is a member of National Honor Society and the track team, and a Texas Scholar. She received the Silver Key Art Award as an outstanding art student and is a counselor and board member for Midland-Lee Youth Centers.

■ **Ritha Mary Belizaire,** 18, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roger Belizaire. She is a National Achievement semi-finalist, a National Merit Commended Scholar, vice president of National Honor Society and a member of the soccer team at LHS.

■ **Heather Ann Bradford,** 18, daughter of Ann and Mike Bradford, attends Midland High School, where she is an academic letterman, a basketball letterman and a member of National Honor Society. She coaches a third grade YMCA girls' basketball team.

■ **Melissa Ann Brinker,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brinker, is treasurer of National Honor Society at MHS, where she also is an academic letterman, a Texas Scholar, an All-American Scholar, winner of the U.S. National Leadership Merit Award, cheerleading captain and track letterman.

■ **Rebecca Lynne Brockett,** 18, daughter of Hal Brockett and Sheri Brockett, is a junior varsity cheerleader at LHS, an All-Star Cheerleader, junior class officer and a Texas Scholar.

■ **Courtney Leigh Cole,** 18, daughter of Thom and Karen O'Brien and Buddy and Trenia Cole, won the U.S. Student Council Award and the All-American Scholar Award, and is a Texas Scholar, treasurer of Senior Girls and member of student council senate and the varsity tennis team at MHS.

■ **Kristy Ann Decker,** 17 and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Decker, is a student at MHS, where she is a Texas Scholar. She has been a counselor at Opportunity Camp through the Boys and Girls Club.

■ **Kiersten Andrea Donnelly,** 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Donnelly, is a student at MHS. She won the Yale Math, Science and Engineering Award and National History and Government Award, National English Merit Award and Rotary Youth Leadership Award. She is senior class secretary, member of National Honor Society and student council cabinet, and captain of the volleyball team.

■ **Sarah Jean Duran,** 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Torivio Duran and a student at MHS. She is an academic letterman, member of National Honor Society, varsity soccer player, varsity cheerleader, member of student council cabinet and member of the 1997 Homecoming Court.

■ **Whitney Casey Fore,** 18, daughter of Marty McArthur and Johnny Fore, is a member of National Honor Society at MHS. She is a Texas Scholar and Princess of Midland Morning Lions Club. She is a volunteer counselor for Wyle Life.

■ **Devon Michelle Foster,** 18, daughter of Debi and David Foster, attends Midland Christian High School, where she is a member of the varsity softball team. She has been published in Christian Bible Teacher magazine and is a nominee for National Science Award.

■ **Devann Nichole Franco,** 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Franco. She attends LHS, where she is a varsity cheerleader and a Texas Scholar, and has been secretary of student council. She is a Midland All-Star Cheerleader and a volunteer for Easter Seals and Meals on Wheels.

■ **Holly Anne Gilkerson,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Gilkerson, is vice president of the senior class at MHS, where she also is a member of National Honor Society, delegate to Model Organization of American States and member of the yearbook staff. She is a recipient of the National Leadership and Service Award.

■ **Cassie Koesjan Goodin,** 17, is the daughter of Lily and Gary Goodin. She is secretary of student council, a varsity cheerleader and member of the Homecoming Court at LHS. She is an academic letterman, received a U.S. National Leadership Merit Award and U.S. Achievement Academy, is a state winner of the Barbara Jordan Essay Contest, and is captain of the Midland All-Stars Cheerleading Squad.

■ **Jessica Hitchcock Harvey,** 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen G. Harvey, is a class scholar at Trinity School, where she is a National Merit semi-finalist and recipient of the Upper School Merit Scholarship. She is a nationally-ranked scorer on the National French Exam and a participant in an engineering program at Vanderbilt University.

■ **Melissa Nichole Hernandez,** 17, is the daughter of Mary Montoya and Joe Hernandez. She is the LHS mascot, an All-Star Cheerleader, junior and senior class secretary, a Texas Scholar and a member of the Homecoming Court.

■ **Melissa Michele Howard,** 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royce W. Mitchell and David W. Howard. A student at MHS, she is a member of the National Honor Society, president of Senior Girls and a member of student council. She was vice president of junior class and president of Posse. She is a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and a Midland Morning Lions Club Ambassador.

■ **Stephanie Lynn Howard,** 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dowling and Gary Howard of Plano. She attends MHS, where she is an academic letterman and a member of student council cabinet, National Honor Society and Model Organization of American States. She was a Youth For Understanding foreign exchange student to Australia.

■ **Amanda Leigh Keasler,** 18, daughter of Sam Keasler and Janis Keasler, is a student at MHS and a Texas Scholar. She is a volunteer at Midland Cerebral Palsy Center and at a rehabilitation hospital in South Carolina.

■ **Mendy Kiehne,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kiehne, attends Greenwood High School, where, as a member of the varsity volleyball team, she is a 1997 state qualifier. She has been reporter and treasurer of Future Farmers of America.

■ **Michelle Lea Mays,** 18, daughter of Lou Mays and Steve Mays of Austin, is an academic letterman at LHS, where she also is a member of National Honor Society and Latin Honor Society, a letterman as an athletic trainer, and a National Merit Commended Student, member of the Federal Reserve Challenge Team, a Texas Scholar and an All-American Scholar.

■ **Ashley Anne McPherren,** 18, daughter of Candice McPherren and C. Michael McPherren of Dallas, is a member of student council senate and organizations editor for the yearbook at MHS.

■ **Krystal Linn Mehaffey,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Mehaffey, is a student at LHS, where she is a varsity letterman on the Lee Lady Rebels golf team and a Texas Scholar. She won third medalist honors and qualified for the All--District Golf Team.

■ **Autumn Brianne Miller,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Miller, is a varsity cheerleader at LHS, where she also is a member of National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society, and a Texas Scholar. She has been an All-American Cheerleader and a volunteer for the Confederate Air Force air show.

■ **Jodie Janeen Mitchell,** 17, is the daughter of James and Judy Mitchell. A student at MHS, she is an academic letterman, member of National Honor Society, captain of the varsity soccer team, member of varsity basketball team and student council, and is editor of the yearbook. She received the Rotary Merit Award and is a Texas Scholar.

■ **Catherine Jean O'Neill,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. O'Neill III, attends Trinity School, where she is a member of the honor council, captain of the varsity volleyball team, co-editor of the yearbook, member of the Select Choir and a Prefect. She is a volunteer for Christmas in April.

■ **Sarah Harriett Pace,** 19, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ernest F. Bel and Mark Pace. She is a member of the yearbook staff at MHS, where she also is a bat girl for the varsity baseball team, track team manager, Texas Scholar and a member of Business Professionals of America.

■ **Erica Nichole Price,** 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Glenn Price, is president of FFA at LHS, where she is a letterman on the soccer team. She is active in the Texas High School Rodeo Association and American Junior Rodeo Association.

■ **Rachael Amber Reeves,** 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Michael Reeves of Flower Mound. She is a member of National Honor Society and Advanced Treble Choir at Lewisville High School. She is a Texas Scholar and a member of Teen Court.

■ **Jennifer Dawn Robinson,** 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson, is senior lieutenant of the Dixie Doll Drill Team at LHS, and a member of National Honor Society, a Texas Scholar and a high school leadership representative at Texas A&M University.

■ **Tracie Charles Seltzer,** 17, is the daughter of Susan Seltzer and Charles Seltzer. She attends Permian High School, where she is a member of National Honor Society, a letterman in varsity gymnastics and an academic letterman in honors Latin. She is a Texas Scholar, an Distinguished Honors Graduate and has been chosen for the PHS Hall of Fame.

■ **Jennifer Ellen Traxel,** 18, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roger M. Traxel, is an officer of the speech team and editor of the literary magazine at LHS. She is president of Brothers and Sisters in Christ, projects chairman of National Honor Society, member of Spanish Honor Society, a National Merit Commended Scholar and a Texas Scholar.

■ **Brooke Elisabeth Underwood,** 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Underwood, is a student at MHS, where she is a member of Physics Outreach Program, Chorale, Youth and Government, and debate. She is a volunteer for Teen Court and Linus Project for the needy.

■ **Carin Elizabeth Vadala,** 18, daughter of Chris and Carol Vadala, attends MHS, where she is a member of National Honor Society, chaplain of student council and a soccer letterman. She is an All-American Scholar, received the U.S. National Leadership Merit Award and National History and Government Award.

■ **Jessica Nicole Watkins,** 17, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. David Watkins. A student at MHS, she is a member of National Honor Society, student council cabinet, Chorale, Texas Scholars and varsity cross country team. She is a member of Spirit Wind Choir.

■ **Jessica Christine Wegener,** 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Turner Davis and Bob Wegener of College Station. She is editor of the school newspaper at MHS, where she also is a member of student council cabinet, National Honor Society and Texas Scholars. She was named Outstanding Student in Journalism and Outstanding Student in Business Information her junior year, and was a state qualifier for Business Professionals of America competition.

■ **Shelby Elizabeth Wilson,** 17, daughter of Cindy and Scott Wilson, attends LHS, where she is a member of National Honor Society, Chorale, Origin and Select choirs, is a National Merit Commended Scholar, member of All-Region choir, Pre-Area and first chair All-State alto. She is a National All-Star Cheerleader.

■ **Laura Lyn Withrow,** 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark L. Withrow. A student at LHS, she is an academic letterman, a member of National Honor Society and Spanish National Honor Society, was a student council cabinet member, is student council president, varsity athletic trainer in football, baseball and track, and member of the track team. She won the U.S. Achievement Academy Award, is an All -American Scholar and a Texas Scholar.

■ **Dana Elizabeth Youngs,** 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pittinger and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Youngs. A student at MCHS, she is varsity volleyball co-captain and member of National Honor Society and debate team. She received the U.S. Achievement Academy Award.

The Freshman Belles for 1998, "Class of 2001," are **Emily Michelle Alvarado,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Alvarado; **Ashley Nicole Beal,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven L. Beal; **Leigh Anne Beal,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly S. Beal; **Kelly Jean Beall,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Beall; **Brenna Lyn Belew,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Belew; **Raffi Belizaire,** daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roger Belizaire; **Kristin Elizabeth Berry,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Berry; **Sarah Elizabeth Bickham,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Bickham III; **Anne Taylor Billingsley,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant A. Billingsley; **Alaina Dianne Bloodworth,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marty Bloodworth; **Kara Emily Bostic,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert W. Bostic; **Katherine Drew Branum,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark L. Branum; **Kristen Michelle Brown,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris P. Brown; **Stephanie Anne Brown,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown; **Harriet Anna Burrow,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Bakke; **Sarah Rebecca Clinch,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald P. Clinch; **Alyson Blair Creamer,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Creamer; **Katherine Ann Curry,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michel E. Curry; **Kathryn F. Daneker,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Daneker; **Dawn Elizabeth Dickeson,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken C. Dickeson; **Jennifer Leigh Donley,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney R. Roberts; **Erin Lee Drummond,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Drummond; **Kelly Michelle**

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Senior Belles for 1998 are: (left to right) first row: Michelle Mays, Jennifer Robinson, Sarah Pace, Cassie Goodin, Sarah Duran, Laura Lyn Withrow, Devann Franco, Mendy Kiehne and Kiersten Donnelly; second row: Becky Brockett, Autumn Miller, Erica Price, Kristy Decker, Brooke Underwood, Krystal Mehaffey, Jessica Wegener and Carin Vadala; third row: Casey Fore, Marisa Beck, Shelby Wilson, Tracie Seltzer, Jennifer Traxel, Jessica Watkins, Casey O'Neill and Holly Gilkerson; fourth row: Melissa Howard, Amanda Keasler, Dana Youngs, Devon Foster, Heather Bradford, Stephanie Howard, Melissa Hernandez, Melissa Brinker, Courtney Cole and Ashley McPherren. Not pictured are Ritha Belizaire, Jessica Harvey, Jodie Mitchell and Rachael Reeves.

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The Freshman Belles for 1998 are: (left to right) front row: Becky James, Drew Branum, Leslie Turner, Rachel Ray, Lexie Strickling, Christina Masdon, Alyson Creamer, Bobbie Vaughan, Kaitlin Parker, Lindsey Lockhart, Jillian Wisdom, Jill Holly and Elizabeth Gray; second row: Kelsi Major, Kristen Stoltz, Kelly Rathbone, Erin Drummond, Sarah Bickham, Quincy Smith, Terran McDonald, Marissa Prude, Kelly Beall, Renee Midkiff, Diana Prieto, Meredith May, Becca Saunders, Joanna Lilley and Brooke Hillman; third row: Jessica McCaslin, Stephanie Brown, Amanda Langford, Anne Billingsley, Lauren Swartz, Jennifer O'Neill, Jennifer Donley, Kara Bostic, Margery Grella, Kristen Brown, Katie Mathis, Morgan Henthorn, Jennifer Harrison, Leigh Beal, Ellie Howard and Risa Holland; fourth row: Cheryl Helms, Harriet Burrow, Carly Jenkins, Julie Leventhal, Ashley Kellum, Korah Mehaffey, Shelley Sledge, Sarah Williams, Kelly Duffey, Ashley Beal, Alaina Bloodworth, Laci Ridgeway, Courtney Robnett, Page Price and Kristin Graham; fifth row: Brenna Belew, Lauren Neatherlin, Dawn Dickeson, Kacey Gragg, Veronica Hood, Jenny Maury, Katherine Curry, Ashley Moore, Kathryn Daneker, Katie Simpson, Amber Glanton, Kristin Berry, Sarah Clinch, Kelsey McMinn and Lindsay Maddox; top row: Sally Reese, Leanna Gilles, Megan Wetzel, Emily Alvarado, Elizabeth Majors, Laura Koch, Leslie Smith, Catherine Wade, Ashley Murray, Ashlee Finke, Catherine Jennings, Chelsea Wilson, Mary Jane Philpy, Jamie Mauldin, Emily Kelly and Abby Ritchie. Not pictured are Raffi Belizaire and Mary Dulaney.

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TRAVEL

Dwell on wheels: 1,900 miles with a kid, dog, spouse

By Shirley Jinkins
N.Y. Times News Service

Like a giant land tortoise with its dwelling on its back, we hit the road, determined to sample the good life of a carefree RV vacation.

The road hit back.

Smooth sailing it wasn't, but it wasn't a disaster, either.

We've always pipe-dreamed about the recreational vehicle lifestyle, and we thought that renting one for a lengthy trip would tell us once and for all if we were truly "RV people."

We scheduled a trip through New Mexico (the Land of Enchantment, you know) and threw ourselves into the mechanical fray during the most perilous RV season of all: winter.

My husband, Bill, and I wondered if we'd panic with a huge rolling house on the road. Friends joyfully invoked images from the old Lucille Ball movie "The Long, Long Trailer" when we told them of our impending odyssey.

Would we sideswipe a Minnie Winnie during our first RV park visit? Would we get the connections all wrong and have propane wafting through the shower head? Worse yet, would we freeze in revulsion, like our first diaper-changing experience, at the first opportunity to dump what the RV books always refer to discreetly as "black water"? Would our son's college fund dwindle away in the bottomless gas tank?

There was only one way to find out.

We picked up our home-for-a-holiday, a 27-foot Class C model (the kind on a truck chassis with a bed over the cab). The '98 California Flyer had it all, in coordinating patterns of blue velour: big windows with miniblinds, a rear bedroom with usable twin closets, a surprisingly spacious bathroom with sink and shower stall, double sink in the galley with a three-burner stove, oven and microwave, a dinette that folded into a bed, and an easy chair by the door.

A control panel beneath the microwave provided a check of all the RV systems: auxiliary battery, holding tanks 1 and 2 (black and gray water, respectively), fresh-water tank level and propane level. The generator worked off a separate switch, as did the water heater and the independent refrigerator. Interior heating and air conditioning worked off separate controls, too. I was intimidated from Day 1.

Our crew included myself; Bill; 7-year-old Brandon; the ever-smiling Samoyed, Misha; and the two bettas (those are fish), their separate tanks fitting snugly in the cab's twin cup holders.

As we packed for the preliminary stop in San Angelo for Christmas with the folks, we noticed it took four hours just to outfit the RV for the trip.

We packed clothes, bedding, towels and washcloths, kitchen utensils, dishes, pots and pans, food, salt and pepper, napkins, aluminum foil, a couple of rugs, some spray cleaner and paper towels plus broom and dustpan for cleanups, sports equipment; you get the idea.

Last to be loaded was a 13-inch TV-VCR combo. We had to bring the essentials, after all.

Exhausted from the outfitting, we pulled out for San Angelo near sunset. There was a homey quality to the actual travel. We listened to songs on the radio (above the loud hum of the vehicle and the clang-clang of the miniblinds).

At one point, Bill ran over a curb while turning. An overhead cabinet dumped books, videos and CDs on my head, which continues to be Brandon's foremost memory of the entire trip.

The sojourn in San Angelo turned out to be eventful, weatherwise. Bill and Brandon spent the evening in the RV, running the heat off the auxiliary battery. The weather turned cold and rainy, and we decided to stay over an extra night for good measure. By the next night, as we showed off the RV to friends, we all noticed the interior lights were dimming noticeably, even as we shivered. A quick check of the control panel beneath the microwave brought a gasp: the auxiliary battery had sunk from the green 12-volt reading all the way to the 0-3, a definite red.

We turned off the thermostat (as we thought we had in the first place) and hoped a rest would do the auxiliary battery some good. The refrigerator worked off either propane or the battery, in theory, so we left it on propane. We thought.

The next morning was still cold, but sunny. We filled the fresh-water holding tank from a friend's faucet and set off for New Mexico.

A stiff westerly wind caused us to stop for gas in seemingly every other town. We fretted when the auxiliary battery didn't show any sign of life, though the handbook said it would perk right up after a few hours on the road (It would recharge from the vehicle battery, in theory).

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— Shirley Jinkins, amateur RV mom

We reached White's City, N.M., at dusk. It wasn't hard to choose the only RV park there, a Best Western. Bill parked neatly in the assigned space and began to uncoil hoses and grounded plugs in the dark. A nice man from Illinois quickly emerged from the handsome Class A next door with a flashlight (the one absolute necessity we forgot to bring) and excellent advice — how to plug in the power plug the right way. We were elated when the lights immediately brightened and the TV came to life. We settled in and I rustled up some sandwiches and soup, and we began some serious family cocooning, just like in the brochures.

Next morning, we brushed burs from the dog's coat and had cereal from plastic cups, showered in the park facilities, spruced up the RV, bought some homemade fudge and set out for Carlsbad Caverns. The RV managed the winding mountain roads gamely, and at the top, we parked alongside every type of unit imaginable, including one brightly self-painted job proclaiming "Spirit of California."

When we reached Las Cruces at full dark, we hooked up next to a maverick RVer, in an aged rig that shook all over when he employed his loud generator, which was often. He cast suspicious glances in our direction, and unhooked his rig before dawn the next morning. By the time we began stirring, he was gone.

The discovery that we had no running water was a shock, though we quickly found it was because the line from the faucet into the RV had frozen. Remedy: Wait until the sun thaws the faucet and hose, and haul hot water from the park restroom to pour over it to rush the thaw. Once we could, we unhooked the hose and used our own fresh-water tank.

Meanwhile, the dog hadn't eaten since the trip began. He threw up in the cab.

I met a nice woman from Denver in the showers. She advised leaving the faucets running slightly during the night, and reassured me that the holding tanks were more likely to back up into the RV interior, or the lightweight plastic pipes to burst, than the actual tanks were to rupture. I felt so much better.

Bill met a guy who admired our California Flyer, then added, "I had a rig like that, until I lost it to a fire." We vowed to "really" be careful with propane, which was now down to a third of a tank after my huge bacon and eggs breakfast.

The refrigerator seemed fine, though.

We dumped the tanks before we left, which isn't that disagreeable a task after all, Bill said, and bought more propane. We brushed out the dog again. We shuddered as a gigantic, disabled Class A was towed out of the park like a harpooned whale. A man from Boulder remarked that he saw someone at a park recently who had had absolutely everything on his rig freeze solid and break down.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

After touring missions and small towns all day, we arrived after dark in Albuquerque. We were really beginning to see how a tow car enriches the life of traveling RVers. Without it, you must take your whole house wherever you go, and once you are settled and hooked up for the night, you cannot go out and see the town after dinner. We seemed to be spending a lot of time monitoring things, reading the handbook, cooking and cleaning, just like back home.

My main worries at that midpoint of the trip were, in order: freezing of systems, exceeding our 2,000-limit mileage and having to pay extra, the health of my dog and my husband (who developed a nasty cold) and our home back home, which had probably been ransacked by burglars already.

After stops in Albuquerque and Taos, we journeyed to the coldest part of our itinerary, Red River, in the mountains. A friend suggested taking the scenic route around Eagle Nest and Angel Fire.

Scenic generally means mountains. That afternoon, as we threaded through the passes at a snail's pace, the face of each driver we met registered the same thought: "I'm glad I'm not that guy, trying to drive up here in that big RV."

Red River was already bustling and aglow in festive lights when we arrived just before dark. At Red River, we only hooked up to electricity, because mountain temps preclude even attempting to hook up to sewer or water lines.

We congratulated ourselves upon our return home the next night. The rig was dirty but intact. Bill hadn't hit anything but a couple of curbs, the battery and refrigerator had made their peace with us, nothing ever backed up in the toilet, the fish were still alive and the dog had eaten a couple of meals. We were less than 100 miles below our 2,000-mile limit.

Are we RV people? With the possible exception of the dog, absolutely yes. Next trip, maybe we'll take a small trailer and tow it with our own truck to solve the tow-vehicle problem. I'll pre-feed the dog some extra rations, and we'll see how easy warm weather would be for RV travel. For us, renting an RV cost about $96 a night for our "room." Not bad.

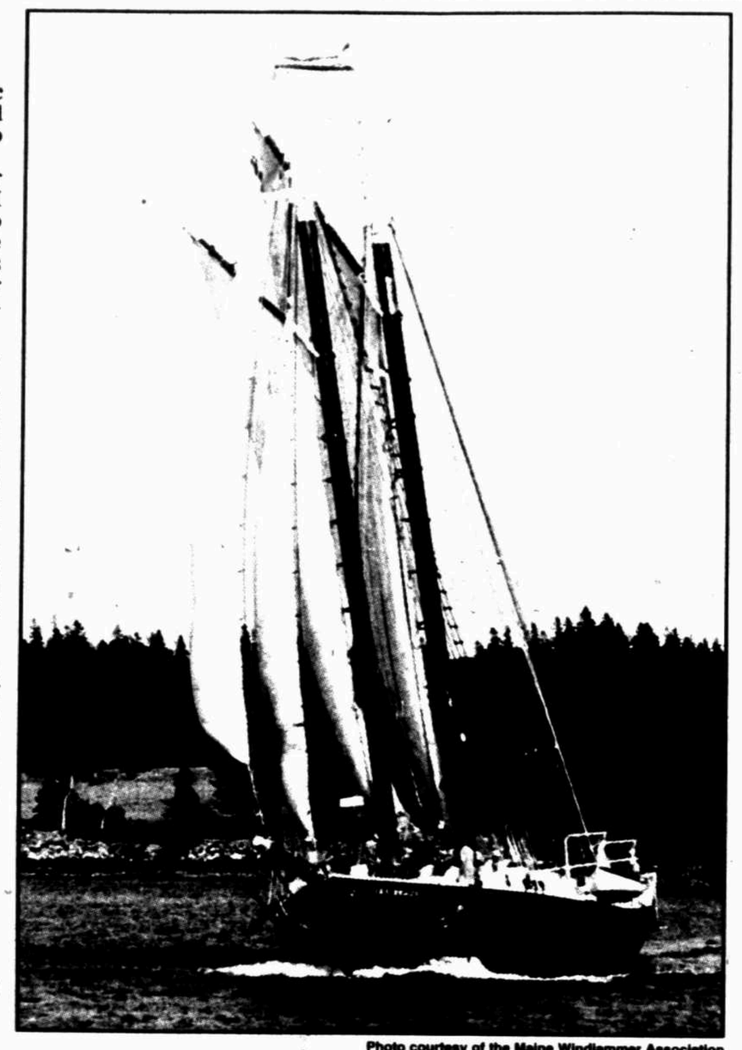


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A view of a portion of the Milky Way as seen in different wave lengths. Above is radio waves and at right is infrared.

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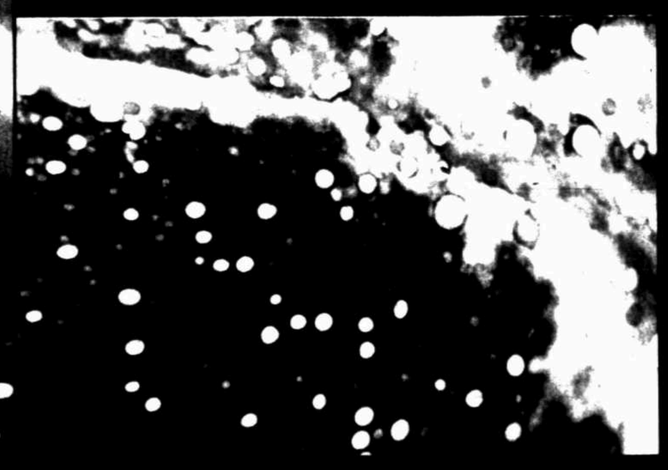
ABOVE LEFT: The visible light spectrum makes up a small portion of the entire electromagnetic spectrum. ABOVE RIGHT: Jets of glowing gas are ejected from a supermassive black hole at the core of a spiral galaxy.





A view of a portion of the Milky Way as seen in different wave lengths. Above is UV. at left top is X-Ray. at left bottom is gamma waves and below is a composite of all the wavelengths.

Photos courtesy of Blakemore Planetarium



Scientists studying the universe to unlock its secrets have found the cosmic puzzle to be greater than any myth conjured by ancient man when he watched the night sky. Black holes. Gamma rays. Quasars. Blazars. All unseen by the human eye.

These phenomena form the core of the current Public Sky Show, "Seeing the Invisible Universe," being shown on Friday evenings at the Blakemore Planetarium through June 26.

"This is our black-hole show," said Steve Schmidt, director of the planetarium. "In recent years, we've had shows on comets and on the planet Mars, both of which, at the time, were hot topics. One of the things we haven't done recently is a show on black holes, which people are always interested in."

The nature of black holes helps create this interest, Schmidt said. "They're among the most mysterious objects in the universe. Interestingly, they were predicted by Einstein long before they were discovered."

Black holes certainly captured the imagination of science-fiction writers.

"It's a great device for science-fiction writers," Schmidt said. "And according to some mathematical models, an object may enter a black hole and emerge somewhere else in space or time, but that's derived from a mathematical model and has not been proven.

"That hasn't stopped science-fiction writers using black holes as a convenient means of traversing tremendous distances in a short period of time."

In fact, a black hole isn't actually a hole.

"There is very definitely an object there."

Please see COSMIC 3F

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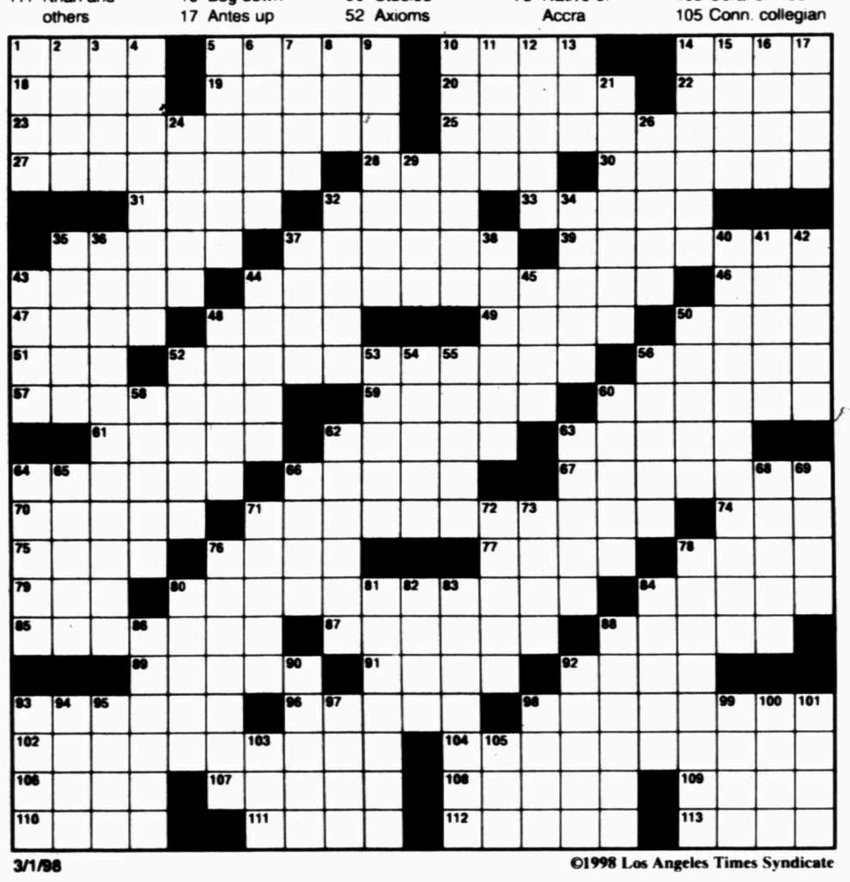
Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Joyce Nichols Lewis

"TAKE A BREATHER"
By BERNICE GORDON

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18 Eye layer
19 Root, in botany
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23 Dining establishment
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27 Including everything
28 Did a fall chore
30 Rain forest shelter
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32 Cellars
33 Star-shaped flower
35 Hares' tails
37 Some computers
39 Product used in steelmaking
43 Ganges' garb
44 Headstone words
46 Before, to a bard
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48 Tree trunk
49 Stats for Rifken
50 Greek letters
51 Winning blows
52 Compensation for damages
56 Choral composition
57 Rave about
59 Set right
60 Seasonal songs
61 Public enemy
62 Pilot's pin
63 — girl: model
64 Earth, for one
66 Singing Shore
67 Part of a surveying instrument
70 Harbor in Boeotia
71 Verdant areas
74 Dress in one's best, with "up"
75 Green shade
76 Rise rapidly
77 Finials
78 Lollobrigida
79 Peer Gynt's mother
80 "You're —!": collaring words
84 Sandbank
85 Sea cow
87 Shoddiness
88 Slight
89 Wallflower's place?
91 "I — song go ..."
92 Gray matter: slang
93 Shore dinner morsel
96 Over twenty-one
98 Definitely not upper crust
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106 Kalahari creature
107 Diplomat Silas
108 Winged
109 Of skycraft
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111 Khan and others
112 Measuring tube
113 Clears

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4 Spent
5 Oil containers
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7 "— at the Races"
8 Break the commandments
9 Vanilla —
10 Michael or Mahalia
11 Wolfish look
12 Dutch commune
13 Elton John title
14 Wayne's African adventure flick
15 In the know
16 Bog down
17 Antes up
21 Bird's old team
24 Mountain ridge
26 Military blockade
29 World War I shelter
32 Japanese-American
34 Andorra neighbor
35 Anglo- —
36 Feeling humiliated
37 Disintegrate
38 Parsley parts
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41 Bay window
42 Tree houses
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95 Plato's promenade
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103 Coral or Red
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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.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 1998

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ You make up for lost time as you let go and finally enjoy. Being serious is all well and good, but it is equally important to be frivolous at times. Someone you put on a pedestal encourages fun and indulgence. Make time for a special friend. Tonight: Top dog.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Vanish now, while others are distracted. Make plans for a day alone at a favorite museum or art gallery, or take in a movie or concert. Escaping into your mind proves refreshing. If you relax easily with a special friend, invite him along. Tonight: Not to be found!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Aim for what you want. You have been keeping an emotional matter on a back burner. A dear friend chuckles at your demands, but he loves every moment of it. Visit friends. You'll love a good party. Tonight: The hoopla extends into the wee hours.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Take the lead, and understand more of what makes others tick. Giving partners and friends the space to express themselves proves interesting. You get another perspective as a result. Don't take an offer as anything but frivolous until it is reiterated. Tonight: Out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ You know how to luxuriate, perhaps better than most signs. Be a teacher! Share your vision of what could be if things go your way. Express your desire for greater closeness and a higher level of understanding. That person is happy to join in. Tonight: Try something new.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ You add quality to a relationship, and someone expresses his appreciation. Togetherness seems natural. Discuss a long-term mutual goal. Take time for an adorable child. Open up to what could be. Tonight: How 'bout a pillow fight?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Let someone control the situation; you really don't have a choice. You enjoy sharing the moment. Fun indulgence erupts at home. Bring the family together for a fun project. Your smile warms others. Tonight: Go along with the program.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You have a lot you want to get done, but even the most serious intentions fall by the wayside. Humor and delight surround you. Others pitch in and make things lighter and easier. Don't get stuck; just flow. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ You're full of energy. Pack in every moment of fun that you can. A significant other, family member or dear friend wants to share good times. Let go, and indulge whatever you choose. Everyone needs a day to be silly, you included. Tonight: Rock the night away.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Your smile makes everything OK with a family member who pouted yesterday. Make plans around the home, with family, doing what you love to do. You could even turn what looks like a chore into a fun activity. Share your feelings. Tonight: A favorite dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Your instincts are indulgent. You surprise yourself later by how much you reveal in talks now. Return calls; make plans to visit, browse and catch up on news. You're not in the mood to push anything, so let a laissez-faire attitude dominate. Tonight: Chitchat away.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ A friend has a great idea, and before you know it, you are along for the ride. Be realistic about your funds and the effects of this adventure. You need to let another know your boundaries. Sharing will ultimately add to the quality of your relationship. Tonight: Grin.

Goren Bridge

WITH OMAR SHARIF & TANNAH HIRSCH

THE CASE OF THE VANISHING TRICK

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ Q J 7 2
♡ K Q J 10
◇ 7 3
♣ 9 5 2

WEST
♠ 6 5
♡ A 9 7 2
◇ K J 9 6 4
♣ 10 6

EAST
♠ K 4 3
♡ 8 6 5 3
◇ Q 10 8 2
♣ 7 4

SOUTH
♠ A 10 9 8
♡ 4
◇ A 5
♣ A K Q J 8 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	1♡	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Ace of ♡

"I still can't see how you did it, Poirot. I have been going over this hand for some hours now and I still cannot fathom how the defenders failed to collect three tricks."

The famous Belgian sleuth and his aide, Capt. Hastings, were back in their rooms after an evening of bridge at the club. This was the hand that gave rise to Hastings' bemusement.

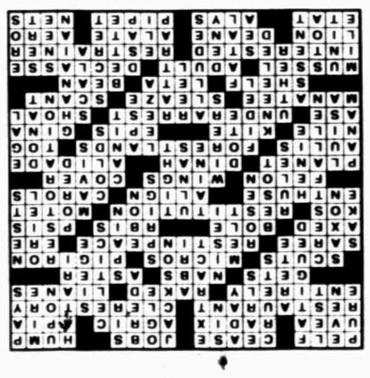
Poirot had reached an uncomfortable five spades on the auction shown. The detective had judged that much of partner's strength would be wasted and so, when Blackwood failed to locate an ace in partner's hand, Hercule settled for a somewhat conservative five spades. But even that contract was in serious jeopardy after West led the ace of hearts and then shifted to a diamond.

"It is a simple exercise of the little grey cells, mon ami," Hercule replied. "Since the defenders had assured themselves of two red-suit tricks and there was no entry to dummy for the trump finesse, I was not going to make my contract unless the king of spades was singleton. Since that was decidedly against the odds, I decided that it would be better to attempt to enlist the aid of my opponents.

Once I had reached that conclusion, the play was relatively easy to find. I had to strip East and West of all safe exit cards, so the clubs had to break 2-2. I won the diamond shift with the ace and cashed the ace and king of clubs. When both defenders followed, all that remained was to find the king of spades favorably placed.

I simply exited with my remaining diamond and did not care which defender won. Whoever took the trick would either have to lead a trump or else put me in dummy by returning a red suit. When the spade finesse won, I had my 11 tricks!"

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE





THE ARTS CALENDAR OF EVENTS
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MARCH 1-7, 1998
SUNDAY, MARCH 1

American Airpower Heritage Museum: 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 hanger. 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. 9am-5pm, Sun. 12-5pm, call 563-1000, Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.

Film Series: Lest We Forget - A Video Journey Through World War II, Free showing every other Saturday at 1pm, moderated by a museum docent and free refreshments.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXPEDITION INDIA: through Mar 22, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBITION: Through Mar 29, Homage to Our Mentors including painting, ceramics, photography and mixed-media. 1114 N. Big Spring, Thurs.-Sun. 1-5pm, 685-9944, Free.

The Haley Library and History Center: EXHIBITS: Saddles from pioneer area families, permanent collection of western and Southwestern art. Artifacts including bit and spur collections, original mission bell from Alamo in San Antonio, 30,000 volumes of books on the history of range settlement and cattle industry. Collections include J. Evetts Haley, Robert N. Mullin, Clayton W. Williams, Sr., Dan L. Thrapp. EXHIBITION: Through Mar 27, 20th Annual Haley Library Art Show and Sale. Open Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m.. Free.

HEB Wine Department: EXHIBITION: The Works of Sam Hurt, call 697-1471, 3325 W. Wadley, Mon.-Sun. 24 hours.

KidsAct: ACTING WORKSHOPS: 1-4:30 p.m. workshop for youth seventh through twelfth grade with Sound & Fury, an improvisation group from Los Angeles. Performance by workshop participants at 5 p.m. open to the public and for families and friends. Sponsored by Arts Assembly of Midland at Midland Park Mall near Sears, 687-1149. Free.

Lone Star Brass Quintet: CONCERT: Chamber series of the Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale, 2 p.m., Asbury United Methodist Church, Odessa, 550-3811. Admission charged.

McCormick Gallery, Midland College: EXHIBITION: 3600 N. Garfield, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, call 685-4500, Free.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBITION: La Salle Shipwreck Excavation, 301 W. Missouri, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 2-5pm, Admission free, call 682-2931 or 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society: Z. Taylor Brown-Dorsey Medallion Home, Midland's oldest restored home, 213 N. Weatherford, guided tours give fine capsule of Midland County History - open by appointment, call 682-2931, Admission free.

Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBITION: Audubon's Texas Animals, through July 26, And: Eclectic Visions, Mark McDowell, March 5-April 26, And: "There on the Table: The American Still Life," through March 22, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882, Free.

Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: EXHIBITION, 4909 E. University, Odessa, Tues-Sat., 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, ADVENTURE IN ART: Classes for children in art appreciation, art history and creative studio art. 2:30-4:30 p.m., 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-3811, Free.

Odessa College: LRC, 201 W. University, Mon.-Thurs. 7:30am-10pm, Fri. 7:30am-5pm, Sat. & Sun. 2-5pm, call 335-6646, Free.

Odessa Art Association: 4909 E. University, San Miguel Square, Odessa, call 362-7988, Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: EXHIBITION: The Dongying Sister City Cultural Exchange Exhibit, includes 22 panels of photographs, folk art, handicrafts and calligraphy, 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. 9am-5pm, Sun. 2-5., call 683-4403, Admission Charged.

Permian Playhouse: DRAMA: "Bridge to Terabithia," children's play performed by the Kaleidoscope Company, the theater's youth performing troupe, 2:30 p.m., 310 W. 42nd Street, Odessa, 915 362-2329. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: EXHIBIT: A Closer Look at the George Bush Presidential Library Center, through Apr 4. Artifacts of the Bush Family and the President. 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 800 862-7123. Free.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: EXHIBITION: UTPB Gallery, call 552-2806, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 1-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, 3rd Floor Gallery, 4901 E. University, Odessa, call 552-2806, Free.

White Pool House: 112 E Murphy St., Tues. 12pm-3pm, Wed.-Fri. 10am-3pm, Sun. 2pm-5pm, call 1-333-4072, Free.

MONDAY, MARCH 2

Midland Community Theatre: AUDITIONS: Moon Over Buffalo, 7:30 p.m. , 2000 W. Wadley Ave., 682-2544.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

Midland Community Theatre: AUDITIONS: Moon Over Buffalo, 7:30 p.m. , 2000 W. Wadley Ave., 682-2544.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

Lenten Music Series: CONCERT: Music for Violin: Luigia Peracchia, concertmaster of the Midland-Odessa Symphony performs works for violin solo, 12:05-12:35 p.m.. Lunch available in Lynn Hall one-half hour before and after each performance. Childcare available with reservation by Monday of each week, call Nursery Coordinator 684-7821 ext 37. First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas. 684-7871. Free.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

Midland Community Theatre: MUSICAL: Guys and Dolls, 8 p.m. at Cole Theatre, call 682-4111, Admission charged.

Midland Arts Association: ART SHOW: Spring Show, opening 7-9 p.m. Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri. Gallery open Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882, Free.

Palette Club of Midland: WORKSHOP: Hins Zemski: 9:30 a.m., 907 W. Wadley, 684-9162.

Odessa College: PERFORMANCE: Lazer Vaudeville, family show, combining lasers and black lights with juggling, comedy and acrobatics. 7 p.m. Deadrick Auditorium on Campus sponsored by the Odessa Cultural Council, 915 337-1492. $5 and $3.

Fortieth Annual Permian Basin Art Exhibition: ART SHOW: Through Mar 29, annual juried exhibition. Opening reception 7 p.m. Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University, Odessa. 2:30-4:30 p.m., 4909 E. University, Odessa. Call 550-3811, Free.

Middle Eastern Dance Organization of the Permian Basin: WORKSHOP AND CONVENTION: Reunion, Halfa and Vendor Style Show with Dinner, 6 p.m. registration, 7 p.m. dinner. Best Western Hotel, 3100 W. Wall, 699-4144. Fee Charged.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

Midland Community Theatre: MUSICAL: Guys and Dolls, 8 p.m. at Cole Theatre, call 682-4111, Admission charged.

Middle Eastern Dance Organization of the Permian Basin: WORKSHOP AND CONVENTION: Classes with Fatima Al Wahid 10 a.m. -noon, with Jamilla Al Wahi 1-4 p.m. Best Western Hotel, 3100 W. Wall, 699-4144. PERFORMANCE: 7 p.m. Yucca Theatre, featuring Jamilla, Fatima and guests. Fee Charged.

The **Arts Assembly of Midland** maintains a calendar of all arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; email artsmid@iglobal.net; http://www.iglobal.net/arts.



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ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

Celebration set

The Middle Eastern Dance Organization of the Permian Basin is celebrating its 25th anniversary Friday through March 8.

Tickets are available for an 8 p.m. dinner and show Friday at the Best Western Hotel, or a 7 p.m. extravaganza featuring dancers from across the country on Saturday at the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado Ave.

Tickets are $15 for Friday and $10 for Saturday. They may be purchased at galley's restaurant or the Ground Floor restaurant or by calling 694-2250 or 570-6636.

Also, workshops are planned Saturday with Fatima and Jamilla Al Wahid of Sacramento, Calif. A four-hour workshop is set for March 8 with Khedi Megetali.

Spring show set

Midland Arts Association's Spring Show is set for March 6-April 5 at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

The opening reception and awards presentation are from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday. The public is invited to attend.

Jurors were Jessica Zemsky and Jack Hines.

For more information call the museum, 683-2882.

Computer program

West Texas Writers will offer a program on computers during its 2 p.m. meeting March 7.

The meeting, set for the second floor meeting room of the Midland County Public Library, 301 W. Missouri Ave., is free and open to the public.

Janine Welter, a 10-year veteran computer user, writer and secretary for two local computer user groups, will speak on the following topics: computers are user friendly; the benefits of having a computer; software demonstrations; finding help if you run into a computer problem; there is no such thing as an obsolete computer; and finding software for older computers.

Painting displayed

A landscape painting by Fay Grissett of a scene near Santa Fe, N.M., will be on display through March at Bank One, 2301 W. Wall Ave.

Mrs. Grissett is a former art teacher in the Midland Independent School District, a member of The Palette Club, Midland Arts association and other professional organizations.

Her paintings have been shown throughout the Permian Basin.

Lazer Vaudeville

ODESSA — Lazer Vaudeville, a family show that combines the high-tech effects of lasers and black lights with the traditional vaudeville arts of juggling, comedy and acrobatics, will perform at Deaderick Auditorium, Odessa College campus, at 7 p.m. Friday.

Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for students through high school and senior citizens. Children under 5 are admitted free.

Tickets may be purchased at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University, Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd, and the Presidential Museum, 622 N. Lee, or they can be purchased the night of the show.

The first 15 minutes are in black light. No latecomers will be admitted during this time.

For more information call the Odessa Cultural Council, 1-915-337-1492.

Lecture presented

LUBBOCK — Malcolm Miller, expert in religious art and renowned guide at Chartres Cathedral in France, will present a lecture, "The Art and Architecture of Chartres Cathedral," at 7:30 p.m. March 24 at St. John's United Methodist Church, 1501 University Ave.

The lecture is part of the James G. Allen and Louise Hodges Memorial Arts and lectureship Series at St. John's.

Chartres Cathedral, remarkable for its stained glass windows and sculpture, is considered to rival Notre dame cathedral in Paris for its architectural magnificence. The cathedral was built during the 12th and 13th centuries.

For more information call Lorenz Lutherer, St. John's Arts and lecture series program chairman, 1-806-797-1888, or the church office, 1-806-762-0123.

Programs in the series are presented free of charge and are followed by a reception.

Celebration set

The Texas Gun and Knife Show celebrates its 20th year of offering Texans collectible guns, knives and accessories when its second 1998 show comes to Midland Saturday and March 8.

The show is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 8 in Midland Center, Main Street at Wall Avenue.

The show will feature two-for-one admission during the first hour on both days.

"We're inviting everyone to come help us celebrate our 20th year," said Don Hill, president of the Texas Gun and Knife Association. "We promise to make it well worth their while — with the great collection of guns, knives and accessories we'll be featuring, plus the special early-bird admission. People who are looking forward to our biggest show ever won't be disappointed."

In addition to guns and knives, this year's show will feature gun parts and accessories such as belts and holsters. The show also will offer for sale wildlife art, books, historical artifacts, Texana items, Native American jewelry and military memorabilia and gold and silver ladies jewelry.

Reception set

ODESSA — The opening reception for the "Cielieto Lindo, Beautiful Heaven" exhibition will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Third Floor Gallery at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Exhibition dates are Wednesday through April 3. The reception is open to the public. The exhibit is sponsored by the Odessa Cultural Council and the UTPB Program Board.

Art exhibition

ODESSA — The Odessa Art Association is holding its 40th annual Permian Basin Art Exhibition March 5-29 at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University.

The show opens Friday with a 7 p.m. public reception.

Jazz series planned

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COSMIC: Public Sky Show runs through June 26

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Schmidt said. "The gravity of that object is so intense that even the fastest thing we know, which is light, can't escape. So, by definition, they are called black holes, but there is actually a very solid object there."

More than one type of black hole has been identified.

"This show features at least three different types of black holes," Schmidt said. "A black hole can be associated with a companion star, and we can detect the hole by seeing the effect it has on that star.

"More recently, astronomers have begun to suspect that super massive black holes might exist at the centers of some galaxies. And a black hole, for example, at the center of the Milky Way would have a mass equivalent to millions of suns or millions of stars."

Scientists are pretty sure such a black hole does exist in the center of the Milky Way galaxy, Schmidt said.

Another type of black hole is the result of the explosion of a star with at least three to five times the mass of the sun, Schmidt said. "Most of the energy from the explosion goes outward, but some of the force of the explosion is directed inward and compressed. It's actually the core of the collapsed star that forms the black hole."

Black holes form only a portion of the sky show.

"There are more mysterious objects that are covered during the show," Schmidt said. "Those are quasars (very distant, young galaxies with super-massive black holes at their centers) and gamma-ray bursters (seemingly random bursts from different points in the sky). And these are objects whose true nature is still largely unknown."

None of the program would have been possible without the equipment used by astronomers to measure invisible light.

"Most of the information that we receive about the universe around us comes to us in the form of visible light," Schmidt said. "Astronomers using sophisticated new equipment are able to exploit parts of the spectrum beyond what we can see with our eyes, and that's what this show focuses on."

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— Steve Schmidt, director of the planetarium

Picture a picket fence that stretches a good distance in both directions. One picket is missing. Now imagine the fence represents the light energy spectrum. What can be seen using visible light — the light the human eye sees — can be represented by the missing single board in the fence.

"Visible light is only a small portion of the entire spectrum," said Schmidt. "Most objects in the universe are emitting light at wavelengths way beyond those of visible light, and astronomers are learning to exploit those regions of the electromagnetic (light energy) spectrum. A radio telescope, for example, looks like a large antenna, but it can be used to generate an image of an object at radio wavelengths."

Using instruments such as the Hubble Space Telescope and the Compton Gamma-Ray Observatory, both of which orbit Earth, scientists detect various forms of light, said Schmidt, noting that the Hubble Space Telescope detects near infrared waves and the Compton Gamma-Ray Observatory detects gamma rays. Neither of those rays penetrate earth's atmosphere.

"From invisible light waves, they then model objects we can't see, determining their size, speed, temperature and more. For example, our view of the Milky Way galaxy changes rapidly from the tranquil band of stars we see with our eyes to an incredibly violent environment when using invisible light detectors."

Narrated by Bill Curtis, who is known to Discovery Channel viewers, "Seeing the Invisible Universe" is being presented at 8 p.m. Fridays through June 26. The facility opens at 7:30 p.m. For safety reasons, late seating is not permitted. Admission is $3 for adults and $2 for children age 12 and younger. For more information call 683-2882. The Planetarium is located in the Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

"Visually, the show's a lot more complex than some of our recent sky shows, and there is some star ID incorporated into the show itself," said Schmidt. "After the show, we do a Star Talk, where we take a look at the current night sky using the planetarium sky projector. And Public Telescope Viewing, which used to be a monthly event, is now conducted weekly."

Telescopes, provided by the West Texas Astronomers, are set up every clear Friday night following the public sky show.

"A lot of people, once they've seen the sky show, return every month just to look through the telescopes," Schmidt said.

During spring break, the Planetarium will offer an expanded schedule that includes "Seeing the Invisible Universe" at 1 p.m. March 10-13 and "The Space Bus" at 11 a.m. March 10-13. The next special presentation at the facility will be on May 2, which is National Astronomy Day. Activities will include sunspot viewing, films, talks, demonstrations, giveaways, guest speakers and star gazing.

"Seeing the Invisible Universe" leaves the viewer with an arresting problem to contemplate.

"Possibly," Schmidt said, "as much as 99 percent of matter in the universe emits no radiation at all."

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Georgia Temple is the Arts & entertainment writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

Artist to talk about his work

From staff reports

Arizona-based artist Mark McDowell will speak about his work being shown at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., March 10. The reception, in the Here and Now Gallery, starts at 7 p.m. with McDowell's talk at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

The Pennsylvania-born artist, primarily a painter in oils, has experimented with a variety of media and subject matter. He documents objects of today in a form of contemporary still life often creating visual puns and metaphors. His subjects have included artificial hearts, microwave ovens, race cars, mobile home trailers and flowers.

"I want to create a portrait of my time through objects," said the artist. "Things that have a beauty we never think of. I try to elevate and transform them beyond the commonplace. And if I can raise a little grin, or slip in a bit of a moral, so much the better."

In the museum's exhibit, subjects of the brightly colored paintings include a race car, a marionette, flowers, a jack-o-lantern and travel trailers.

Born in 1954, McDowell left Pennsylvania in 1976 with a bachelor of fine arts from Pennsylvania State University, earned after switching to art from mathematics.

Public viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 683-2882.

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ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

(From 3F)

Angelo Cultural Affairs Council will present the cactus Jazz Series featuring jazz saxophonist Joseph Vincelli at 8 p.m. Friday at the Cactus Hotel, 36 E. Twohig.

Tickets are $15. All seating is reserved. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

For more information and reservations call the SACAC, 1-915-653-6793.

Performance set

Greg Piccolo will perform at The Texas Saloon, 4400 N. Big Spring St., from 9 p.m. to midnight March 25.

Admission is $8 a couple and $5 for singles.

Opree planned

ODESSA — The Brand New Opree is set for 7 p.m. Saturday at the Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road.

The evening begins with gospel music featuring "Latter Rain" Ministries. Country music at 8 p.m. will feature "Phantom."

The evening includes an early bird special at 6:30 p.m.

Advance tickets, priced at $5 for reserved and $3 for open seating, may be purchased by calling 1-915-332-1586. Tickets at the door are $6 for reserved seating and $4 for open seating.

Play presented

ODESSA — The National Shakespeare Company of New York City will present "Much Ado About Nothing" at the Globe of the Great Southwest, Odessa College campus, at 1 p.m. March 27.

The comedy is one of Shakespeare's wittiest and most romantic plays. Beatrice and Benedict are adversaries united only in their contempt for marriage. Once the two finally let down their guard and allow their true feelings to come forth, they are married. Before this can happen, the volatile couple must stop bickering long enough to realize their attraction and attend to the fate of another smitten couple, Claudio and Hero.

For its 35th season, the NSC recruited director Jennifer Spahr, the producer and director of Expanded Arts, a theater company operating out of a storefront on Manhattan's Lower East Side. The NSC offers live theater and workshops to communities across the country.

Winners presented

First-place winners of the annual Mary Alice Knox Piano Competition, sponsored by the Midland Music Teachers Association, will be presented in recitals at 1:30 and 3 p.m. today in the Wagner-Brown Concert Hall of the Allison Fine Arts Center.

The public is invited to attend. The competition included 266 piano students in grades one through 12 from New Mexico, West Texas and Midland.

Second- and third-place winners received medals.

Exhibit to close

ODESSA — An exhibition of work by artist Jill Bals closes Wednesday at Odessa College in the Learning Resources Center's Options Gallery.

The exhibit is of thrown clay vessels arranged on shelves. The vessels resemble kitchen containers that would normally be labeled with words such as flour or sugar but instead are imprinted with words referring to human emotions.

Ms. Bals earned a bachelor of fine arts degree in art at Texas Tech University and a master's in fine arts from Temple University. She taught ceramics at the Sawtooth Center for the Visual Arts in North Carolina before coming to Odessa College, where she has been an adjunct instructor of ceramics for the past two years. During her time at OC, Ms. Bals and her students made improvements to the ceramics lab including rebuilding a gas kiln.

Options Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Jazz party set

ODESSA — The 32nd annual Odessa Jazz Party is set for 8 p.m. to midnight May 21-23 at the Odessa Radisson.

Invited musicians include Mark Shane and Ralph Sutton, piano; Ketter Betts and Jack Lesberg, bass; Joe Ascione and Frank Capp, drums; Marty Grosz, guitar; Ed Polcer, Randy Reinhart and Randy Sandke, cornet and trumpet; Harry Allen and Ron Hockett, Reeds; and George Masso and Randy Reinhart, trombone.

The party is dedicated to Milt and Mona Hinton for their lifelong contributions to jazz. Admittance buttons may be picked up at the Radisson May 21.

The Odessa Jazz Association is a non-profit corporation. Tickets for all sets are $175 per seat. Make checks payable to the Odessa Jazz Association, 6417 Desoto Drive, Odessa, Texas 79762.

Guest night set

Black Gold Harmony, a prospective chapter of Sweet Adelines International, will hold a guest night March 9 at North Midland Drive Church of Christ, 5806 N. Midland Drive.

All women interested in learning about the art of barbershop harmony are invited to attend.

For more information call 520-6895.

Paintings displayed

Still life paintings by artists who worked in the northeastern United States during the 19th and early 20th centuries are on exhibition at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., through March 22. "There on the Table: The American Still Life" represents a diversity of subject matter and styles selected by the artists.

In "There on the Table" the fascination of the artists with the simplest of objects is expressed. In the 17th century, artists featured decaying fruit, snuffed out candles, or an hourglass to indicate the passing of time and the brevity of life. The artists also painted objects to suggest the pleasures of the senses or the prosperity of the merchant class, the class buying the paintings.

American painters also utilized those aspects of still life painting. "There on the Table" ranges from post Civil War paintings of bountiful fruit to an almost totally non-objective abstract of the 1920s. Elaborate floral displays were popular but mundane items such as a box camera, a cereal box, and spools of thread were also used as subjects.

While vegetables were not often used as subjects, paintings of fruit were numerous and varied from atmospheric just-picked naturalism to fool-the-eye realism and the suggestion of time and change shown by withered leaves and over-ripened fruit on the verge of decay.

Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 683-2882.

Artists featured

Gallery 1114 is presenting a special exhibit featuring artists selected by the gallery members as being the most influential and inspirational in their training.

This personal tribute includes a variety of works including painting, ceramics, photography and mixed-media. Pieces range from the realistic to the non-objective.

Artists include teachers, published authors, and several individuals with works contained in international exhibits and collections. Featured artists are Carol Bailey, Larry Brown, Chong Chen Chuan, R.C. Ellis, James Fee, Steve Goff, Robert Green, Elaine Karickhoff, Kathleen Kuchar, Pam Price, Betty Monteith, Ron Meyers, Kent Moss, Sunny Nash, Susan Randle, Wes Smith, Chris Stanley, Warren Taylor and Melissa Zink.

The artists were nominated by gallery members Kitt Beck, Rosa Clark, Karen Hembree, Olivia Hill, Joyce Howell, Jan Foust Hurt, Sharon Navage, Tim Whiles, Less Wiesenfeld and Kathy Williams.

The gallery, 1114 N. Big Spring St., is an alternative space for modern and contemporary art. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday.

Live broadcast

Giacomo Puccini's "Madama Butterfly" will be broadcast live from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House at 12:30 p.m. Central Time Saturday over the Texaco-Metropolitan International Radio Network. It will be heard locally over radio station KCRS.

Catherine Malfitano will be heard as Cio-Cio-San, with Wendy White as her maid, Suzuki, Franco Farina as the U.S. Navy lieutenant B.F. Pinkerton, and Alan Opie as the U.S. counsel, Sharpless. Carlo Rizzi will conduct.

Photos displayed

ODESSA — An exhibit featuring photographs by Steve Goff is on display at Proteus Gallery and Salon, 112 W. 5th, through May 2.

Viewing hours for "Someone in the Garden" are 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

For more information call 580-4244.

Series continues

The annual Lenten Luncheon Concert Series at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave., continues Wednesday with violinist Luigi Peracchia performing.

The series is in the second week of its seven-week run. There is no charge for the 30 minute recitals, which begin at 12:05 p.m.

Lunch is available for $4 in Lynn Hall a half-hour before and after each concert. Nursery care is available with advance reservations by calling 684-7821, Ext. 37.

Peracchia is the concertmaster for the Midland-Odessa Symphony and a member of the Sausalito String Quartet. He will be playing a concert of pieces for unaccompanied violin.

Future performers include organist Stephen Hargreaves, March 11; the Midland High School Concert Choir, March 18; trumpeter Michael Santorelli and organist Rebecca Sawyer, March 25; the Lee High Chorale, April 1; and Peracchia and pianist Shar Santorelli, April 8.

The public is invited to attend. For more information call Ms. Sawyer, 684-7821.

Club to meet

The Midland Palette Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. March 10 at the Palette Club Art Center.

The program will be given by Herb Cooper, who recently retired after teaching art in the Midland Independent School District for 30 years. He will give a demonstration of coloring eggs, using a centuries old technique developed by Ukrainians.

A two-day workshop that begins March 16 is being offered to those interested in learning the technique.

Classes will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays and will be taught by Cooper. There is a small fee for the supplies furnished in the workshop.

For more information or registration call Cooper, 683-2295, or 694-0516.

The free demonstration is partially supported by the Arts Assembly of Midland and by the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Festival planned

NEW ORLEANS — Ticket sales are underway for the Tennessee Williams/New Orleans Literary Festival's "Weekend Named Desire," March 11-15.

The festival celebrates its 12th anniversary honoring America's playwright, who called New Orleans his "spiritual home," and wrote many of his distinguished plays, including "A Streetcar Named Desire," during his intervals in residence.

Highlights of the long weekend include 35 literary panels, eight different theatrical productions, 11 master classes (now a three-day literary conference), poetry readings, musical events, videos from past festivals, a variety of French Quarter walking tours and an expansive book fair.

Most of the events take place at Le Petit Theatre du Vieux Carre, 616 St. Peter St., which serves as Festival headquarters. For information about tickets call DMI Travel, 1-800-479-8222 or 1-504-524-0050 or contact the festival, 1-504-581-1144.

Trappings of Texas

ALPINE — The 12th annual Trappings of Texas, fine western art and custom cowboy gear exhibit, remains through March 29 at the Museum of the Big Bend, campus of Sul Ross State University.

Admission to all museum events is free. For more information call 1-915-837-8143.

Performances set

FORT WORTH — Andrew Lloyd Webber's "The Phantom of the Opera," directed by Harold Prince and presented by Cameron Mackintosh and The Really Useful Theatre Company, Inc., will begin performances at the Nancy Lee and Perry R. Bass Performance Hall here July 22 through Aug. 16, 1998, for a limited premiere engagement of four weeks.

Ticket prices will range from $27 to $67.

Mail order forms are available in person at Casa Manana's Box Office, 3101 W. Lancaster. For more information call Casa Manana, 1-817-332-2272, or fax 1-817-332-5711.

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INSIDE



A rig rises into the blue West Texas sky. The rig count took a healthy jump this week, increasing to 155 from the previous week's count of 145.

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Phillips' upgrade

Phillips Petroleum Co. has instituted a reorganization program that upgrades Permian Basin operations at Odessa to a regional office (Southwest Region) with added responsibility for the Four-Corners area of New Mexico. M.W. Mark Tompkins has been named Southwest Region Manager, J.B. (Barry) Morgan will be Operations Manager and K.L. (Kirk) Czirr becomes Development Manager. Field offices will remain at Andrews, Crane, Goldsmith, and Buckeye, N.M. Other Phillips regions include: Alaska, Canada, Central and Gulf Coast.

Pipeliner publication

Pipeliners in the Permian Basin might be interested in a newly published book "Heard It On The Pipeline" by H.M. "Ike" Stemmer, former publisher of Pipeline Digest. Mr. Stemmer, who also publishes Pipeliner's Hall of Fame calls upon his 35 years of pipeline publishing to provide a collection of funny and interesting stories told by pipeliners. The second edition book is 350 pages and sells for $39.95. Copies may be ordered by calling (713) 468-6686.

Awards

For the first time an oil and gas category has been added to the Bruno Hanson Environmental Excellence Awards sponsored by Keep Midland Beautiful and Midland College.

Previously the only category was for corporate, and while Conoco was a winner in 1996 for its nature preserve near Big Springs, nominations were accepted when competition was open to all forms of businesses. The oil and gas environmental category is expected to attract a number of nominees throughout the Permian Basin.

Any oil company program, project or individual effort — demonstrating innovative environmental science — may be nominated.

The deadline for nominations is 4 p.m. March 9. Winners will be notified by March 16 and awards will be presented April 7 at the Bruno Hanson Environmental Excellence Awards dinner at Midland College.

For more information about project nominations call Keep Midland Beautiful at 688-4190.

Pump breakthrough

Ed Smith struck oil when he received patents for a hydraulic-driven modified version of the old pumping system that he believes provides a more economical way to pump oil.

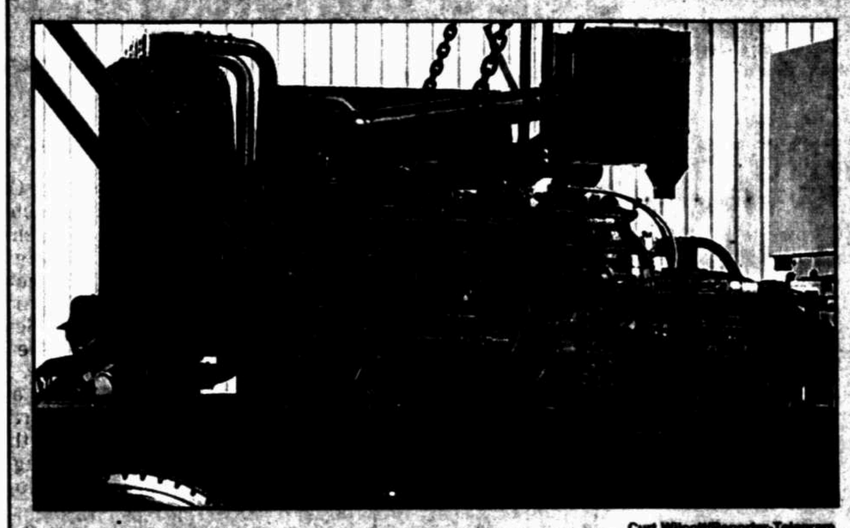
Smith received news in November and December that his pumping system had received two United States patents. Patents in Canada, Great Britain, Japan, Mexico and Venezuela are pending.

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Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Two rig dedication ceremonies this past week illustrated a recent trend in rebuilding and building rigs which has rig manufacturers hopping to keep up. Above, guests line up for the buffet, while, above right, attendees gather around a rig refurbished by Pemco. Below left, an engine on an IRI International. Both rigs, this past week, which were the reasons for the dedications were owned by Dawson Production Services.



Rig builders hopping to meet need

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

With many of the industry's well service rigs approaching the end of their useful life, the domestic well servicing industry has launched a concerted effort to literally rebuild its fleet from the rubber to the mast.

It is a rebuilding effort that is keeping rig manufacturing companies hopping. Gary Stratulate, president IRI Interpational of Houston, the largest builder and rebuilder of rigs, notes that this company is extremely busy in the well service sector as many more contractors are seeking to rebuild rigs than a year ago.

That fact was made clear this week with two back-to-back rig dedication bashes in Odessa. Both rigs were owned by Dawson Production Services.

"Dawson is rebuilding 14-15 rigs per year," said Mike Little, Dawson Chairman and CEO, "because the physical life of a rig is around 15-20 years, depending on how well they are maintained. Most of the rigs in the field are now approaching 20 years old and if you are going to stay in business you need to upgrade on a timely basis."

Over the past 15 years, Little, a Texas Tech petroleum engineer graduate who began his oilfield career with Chevron, has made Dawson the number three well service company in the U.S., acquiring 30 companies and a large assortment of rigs of various vintage along the way. Little said Dawson Production Services would probably refurbish more rigs on an annual basis, but manufacturing companies were working at capacity.

Dawson has about 30 percent of its fleet in the Permian Basin and utilizes Pemco, IRI and Gregory Rig Service for refurbishing work. An IRI 550 on a

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Falling prices don't slow Mobil's plans

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Falling oil prices may have dampened spirits in the Permian Basin, but not enough to halt a performance celebration by Mobil's Permian Business Unit in Midland.

Not only has Mobil committed to stick with 1998 spending levels, despite lower oil prices, but it has increased employment 10 percent on the technical side to pursue a large portfolio of opportunities.

Mobil employees gathered this week in Midland to celebrate opportunity and employee efforts that have resulted in record-breaking performances for Mobil Corp., Mobil Exploration and Producing U.S. (MEPUS) and Mobil's Permian Business Unit. It was a party that saw Mobil employees collect bonuses of 9-19 percent of their annual salary. "When they all line up it really pays off," said Jack Rathbone, manager of the Permian Business Unit.

Mobil Corp. had 1997 earnings of $3.4 billion, exceeding projections for 1998 by 10 percent. MEPUS, the top producing affiliate in the company, showed earnings of $700 million and grew production for the first time in seven years. Accounting for approximately 30 percent of MEPUS cash was the Permian Business Unit which is comprised of seven businesses — Salt Creek, South Plains, Four Corners, Oklahoma, Midland Basin, Delaware Basin and CO2 Sales and Supply.

"All seven of the Permian businesses exceeded goals in 1997 as a result of the efforts of our employees and increasing opportunities in the Permian Basin," said Rathbone, who notes that the Delaware Basin, Midland Basin and Val Verde Basin still hold great potential for natural gas exploration and development as a result of 3-D seismic and horizontal drilling.

"The Permian Basin may be a mature basin, but it still has lots of opportunity for CO2 development and natural gas exploration. That's why we will not cut our spending commitment in the Permian Basin, even with lower oil prices." Thanks mainly to CO2 development, Mobil was able to replace 130 percent of oil production in the Permian Basin.

Natural gas is a prime focus for Midland-based Mobil, which is presently drilling a 17,000-ft., slide-block test in the Rojo Caballos area of the Delaware Basin. If successful, the test could signal a revival for natural gas exploration in the Delaware Basin. At the least Mobil expects to get a powerful lesson in understanding the complex geology of the area and its correlation to seismic.



Photo courtesy of Don Clawson

Mobil employees enjoyed lunch as part of a celebration to recognize the importance of employee efforts in affecting the company's bottom line. Mobil saw record earnings for 1997.

The company also wants to get a better understanding of the Val Verde Basin with several deep tests slated for the rugged producing area. "The Val Verde is an area of lesser focus for Mobil, but we feel it has great opportunity."

It was a better understanding of 3-D seismic and geology that translated to a major horizontal drilling program in the Parks and Pegasus fields, south of Midland International Airport. As a result of horizontal drilling, Devonian gas wells formerly producing 1 Mmcfd are now being drilled horizontally to produce 4-6 Mmcfd, a feat that won Mobil a major industry award in 1996 for best new technology and caused other operators, such as Texaco, to join the drilling play.

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JOHN PAUL PITTS

Floor price would provide no-cost insurance

With oil prices falling through the floor, is it time for the U.S. to revive the issue of a floor price for crude oil?

Would it be terribly wrong for the U.S. to take control of its own energy destiny by interjecting a degree of price stability into the equation?

The U.S. is a mature oil-producing nation that gets its approximate 6 million barrels-per-day production from about 600,000 wells averaging 10-12 barrels. Without price stability the pattern has been crash and burn every 10 years, but with just a small degree of stability the domestic oil and gas industry has shown it can learn to cope and even flourish during periods of low oil prices.

From 1986 to 1997 oil prices remained low but relatively steady. During that decade, oil companies became innovative and learned to adapt. As a result, CO2 projects that once required $27 oil to be economic are now breaking even with $17 oil. Vertical wells that once yielded 50 barrels of oil per day are being converted to horizontal wells that produce 500 barrels per day. Exploration drilling that had a one-in-nine success ratio has now evolved to over 50-50, thanks to 3-D seismic. It is not likely it would have happened if oil companies had awakened each day to the prospect of a $13 posted price. That's why there should be a floor price for crude oil. The United States, the world's largest consumer of crude oil, would decide what a barrel of oil is worth in the U.S. - not OPEC.



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A violation of free-market principals? Not really. A conservative dupe, I once believed all the free-market rhetoric about oil prices. But when one producer can flood the world with oil and send prices through the floor, it is not a free market; it is predatory pricing. And predatory pricing always demands price protection — more specific a floor price.

How would a floor price on domestic production work? Very simply, any oil produced in this country would not be sold below the "crash and burn" price — that price which would result in the dismantling of the domestic oil industry. Some say it is a free market and we need periodic $12 prices to bring out the best innovation and get costs down. That's like saying we need a plague to bring about innovations in medicine and survival of the fittest. That may be true, but it's a hell of a price to pay for good medicine and healthy people.

A floor price of say $18 with adjustments for sour crude would be nothing more than survival insurance. Let him who doesn't believe in insurance cast the first stone.

A floor price would have no stranglehold on foreign producers who could sell oil for as much or as little as they wanted to. Twelve dollars per barrel, no problem! Ten dollars per barrel, no problem! It's $18 in the U.S. If oil trades for $10 on NYMEX, it is still $18 to the producer.

An $18 floor price would quickly restore honesty and integrity to the shady world market. There would be no $12 oil sold by the Saudis. There would be no $12 oil traded on the Merc. If the U.S. sets the floor, you can bet the world price would stay above the floor.

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ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

(From 3F)

Angelo Cultural Affairs Council will present the cactus Jazz Series featuring jazz saxophonist Joseph Vincelli at 8 p.m. Friday at the Cactus Hotel, 36 E. Twohig.

Tickets are $15. All seating is reserved. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

For more information and reservations call the SACAC, 1-915-653-6793.

Performance set

Greg Piccolo will perform at The Texas Saloon, 4400 N. Big Spring St., from 9 p.m. to midnight March 25.

Admission is $8 a couple and $5 for singles.

Opree planned

ODESSA — The Brand New Opree is set for 7 p.m. Saturday at the Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road.

The evening begins with gospel music featuring "Latter Rain" Ministries. Country music at 8 p.m. will feature "Phantom."

The evening includes an early bird special at 6:30 p.m.

Advance tickets, priced at $5 for reserved and $3 for open seating, may be purchased by calling 1-915-332-1586. Tickets at the door are $6 for reserved seating and $4 for open seating.

Play presented

ODESSA — The National Shakespeare Company of New York City will present "Much Ado About Nothing" at the Globe of the Great Southwest, Odessa College campus, at 1 p.m. March 27.

The comedy is one of Shakespeare's wittiest and most romantic plays. Beatrice and Benedict are adversaries united only in their contempt for marriage. Once the two finally let down their guard and allow their true feelings to come forth, they are married. Before this can happen, the volatile couple must stop bickering long enough to realize their attraction and attend to the fate of another smitten couple, Claudio and Hero.

For its 35th season, the NSC recruited director Jennifer Spahr, the producer and director of Expanded Arts, a theater company operating out of a storefront on Manhattan's Lower East Side. The NSC offers live theater and workshops to communities across the country.

Winners presented

First-place winners of the annual Mary Alice Knox Piano Competition, sponsored by the Midland Music Teachers Association, will be presented in recitals at 1:30 and 3 p.m. today in the Wagner-Brown Concert Hall of the Allison Fine Arts Center.

The public is invited to attend. The competition included 266 piano students in grades one through 12 from New Mexico, West Texas and Midland.

Second- and third-place winners received medals.

Exhibit to close

ODESSA — An exhibition of work by artist Jill Bals closes Wednesday at Odessa College in the Learning Resources Center's Options Gallery.

The exhibit is of thrown clay vessels arranged on shelves. The vessels resemble kitchen containers that would normally be labeled with words such as flour or sugar but instead are imprinted with words referring to human emotions.

Ms. Bals earned a bachelor of fine arts degree in art at Texas Tech University and a master's in fine arts from Temple University. She taught ceramics at the Sawtooth Center for the Visual Arts in North Carolina before coming to Odessa College, where she has been an adjunct instructor of ceramics for the past two years. During her time at OC, Ms. Bals and her students made improvements to the ceramics lab including rebuilding a gas kiln.

Options Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Jazz party set

ODESSA — The 32nd annual Odessa Jazz Party is set for 8 p.m. to midnight May 21-23 at the Odessa Radisson.

Invited musicians include Mark Shane and Ralph Sutton, piano; Ketter Betts and Jack Lesberg, bass; Joe Ascione and Frank Capp, drums; Marty Grosz, guitar; Ed Polcer, Randy Reinhart and Randy Sandke, cornet and trumpet; Harry Allen and Ron Hockett, Reeds; and George Masso and Randy Reinhart, trombone.

The party is dedicated to Milt and Mona Hinton for their lifelong contributions to jazz. Admittance buttons may be picked up at the Radisson May 21.

The Odessa Jazz Association is a non-profit corporation. Tickets for all sets are $175 per seat. Make checks payable to the Odessa Jazz Association, 6417 Desoto Drive, Odessa, Texas 79762.

Guest night set

Black Gold Harmony, a prospective chapter of Sweet Adelines International, will hold a guest night March 9 at North Midland Drive Church of Christ, 5806 N. Midland Drive.

All women interested in learning about the art of barbershop harmony are invited to attend.

For more information call 520-6895.

Paintings displayed

Still life paintings by artists who worked in the northeastern United States during the 19th and early 20th centuries are on exhibition at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., through March 22. "There on the Table: The American Still Life" represents a diversity of subject matter and styles selected by the artists.

In "There on the Table" the fascination of the artists with the simplest of objects is expressed. In the 17th century, artists featured decaying fruit, snuffed out candles, or an hourglass to indicate the passing of time and the brevity of life. The artists also painted objects to suggest the pleasures of the senses or the prosperity of the merchant class, the class buying the paintings.

American painters also utilized those aspects of still life painting. "There on the Table" ranges from post Civil War paintings of bountiful fruit to an almost totally non-objective abstract of the 1920s. Elaborate floral displays were popular but mundane items such as a box camera, a cereal box, and spools of thread were also used as subjects.

While vegetables were not often used as subjects, paintings of fruit were numerous and varied from atmospheric just-picked naturalism to fool-the-eye realism and the suggestion of time and change shown by withered leaves and overripened fruit on the verge of decay.

Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 683-2882.

Artists featured

Gallery 1114 is presenting a special exhibit featuring artists selected by the gallery members as being the most influential and inspirational in their training.

This personal tribute includes a variety of works including painting, ceramics, photography and mixed-media. Pieces range from the realistic to the non-objective.

Artists include teachers, published authors, and several individuals with works contained in international exhibits and collections. Featured artists are Carol Bailey, Larry Brown, Chong Chen Chuan, R.C. Ellis, James Fee, Steve Goff, Robert Green, Elaine Karickhoff, Kathleen Kuchar, Pam Price, Betty Monteith, Ron Meyers, Kent Moss, Sunny Nash, Susan Randle, Wes Smith, Chris Stanley, Warren Taylor and Melissa Zink.

The artists were nominated by gallery members Kitt Beck, Rosa Clark, Karen Hembree, Olivia Hill, Joyce Howell, Jan Foust Hurt, Sharon Navage, Tim Whiles, Less Wiesenfeld and Kathy Williams.

The gallery, 1114 N. Big Spring St., is an alternative space for modern and contemporary art. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday.

Live broadcast

Giacomo Puccini's "Madama Butterfly" will be broadcast live from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House at 12:30 p.m. Central Time Saturday over the Texaco-Metropolitan International Radio Network. It will be heard locally over radio station KCRS.

Catherine Malfitano will be heard as Cio-Cio-San, with Wendy White as her maid, Suzuki, Franco Farina as the U.S. Navy lieutenant B.F. Pinkerton, and Alan Opie as the U.S. counsel, Sharpless. Carlo Rizzi will conduct.

Photos displayed

ODESSA — An exhibit featuring photographs by Steve Goff is on display at Proteus Gallery and Salon, 112 W. 5th, through May 2.

Viewing hours for "Someone in the Garden" are 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

For more information call 580-4244.

Series continues

The annual Lenten Luncheon Concert Series at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave., continues Wednesday with violinist Luigi Peracchia performing.

The series is in the second week of its seven-week run. There is no charge for the 30 minute recitals, which begin at 12:05 p.m.

Lunch is available for $4 in Lynn Hall a half-hour before and after each concert. Nursery care is available with advance reservations by calling 684-7821, Ext. 37.

Peracchia is the concertmaster for the Midland-Odessa Symphony and a member of the Sausalito String Quartet. He will be playing a concert of pieces for unaccompanied violin.

Future performers include organist Stephen Hargreaves, March 11; the Midland High School Concert Choir, March 18; trumpeter Michael Santorelli and organist Rebecca Sawyer, March 25; the Lee High Chorale, April 1; and Peracchia and pianist Shar Santorelli, April 8.

The public is invited to attend. For more information call Ms. Sawyer, 684-7821.

Club to meet

The Midland Palette Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. March 10 at the Palette Club Art Center.

The program will be given by Herb Cooper, who recently retired after teaching art in the Midland Independent School District for 30 years. He will give a demonstration of coloring eggs, using a centuries old technique developed by Ukrainians.

A two-day workshop that begins March 16 is being offered to those interested in learning the technique.

Classes will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays and will be taught by Cooper. There is a small fee for the supplies furnished in the workshop.

For more information or registration call Cooper, 683-2295, or 694-0516.

The free demonstration is partially supported by the Arts Assembly of Midland and by the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Festival planned

NEW ORLEANS — Ticket sales are underway for the Tennessee Williams/New Orleans Literary Festival's "Weekend Named Desire," March 11-15.

The festival celebrates its 12th anniversary honoring America's playwright, who called New Orleans his "spiritual home," and wrote many of his distinguished plays, including "A Streetcar Named Desire," during his intervals in residence.

Highlights of the long weekend include 35 literary panels, eight different theatrical productions, 11 master classes (now a three-day literary conference), poetry readings, musical events, videos from past festivals, a variety of French Quarter walking tours and an expansive book fair.

Most of the events take place at Le Petit Theatre du Vieux Carre, 616 St. Peter St., which serves as Festival headquarters. For information about tickets call DMI Travel, 1-800-479-8222 or 1-504-524-0050 or contact the festival, 1-504-581-1144.

Trappings of Texas

ALPINE — The 12th annual Trappings of Texas, fine western art and custom cowboy gear exhibit, remains through March 29 at the Museum of the Big Bend, campus of Sul Ross State University.

Admission to all museum events is free. For more information call 1-915-837-8143.

Performances set

FORT WORTH — Andrew Lloyd Webber's "The Phantom of the Opera," directed by Harold Prince and presented by Cameron Mackintosh and The Really Useful Theatre Company, Inc., will begin performances at the Nancy Lee and Perry R. Bass Performance Hall here July 22 through Aug. 16, 1998, for a limited premiere engagement of four weeks.

Ticket prices will range from $27 to $67.

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110 Lodge Notices

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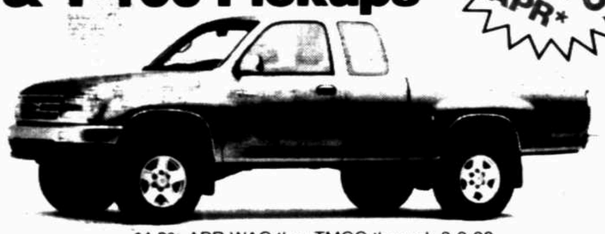
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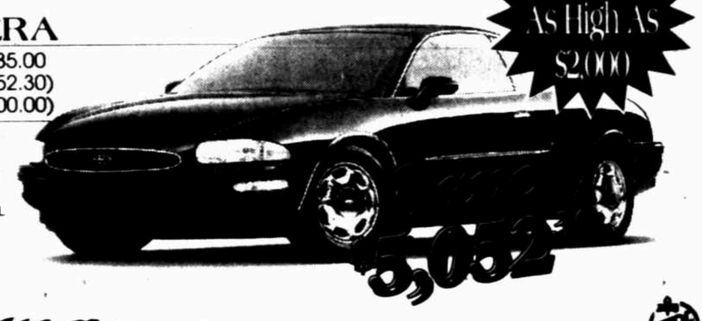
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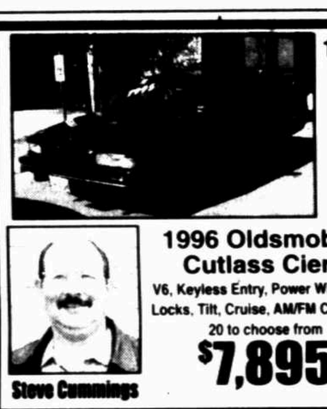


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TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION NEWS

Attention Veterans!!!

If you are looking for part- time employment in an office environment...

If you are taking at least nine (9) semester hours of college...

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Call

Holly Harrell
Veterans Representative
(915)682-9421
Ext 217
501 N. Loraine
Midland, TX 79701

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APARTMENT MAINTENANCE carpentry experience required. Interviews 3- 4 pm Monday through Saturday at 3315 Godfrey #84 or call Chris at 697-8784.

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***COMPUTER REPRESENTATIVE**

Do you want access to the latest technology products? MSTAR Corporation is seeking part time weekend computer demonstrators for a leading PC manufacturer in the Midland area. Must have PC with internet access. Fax resume to recruiting department 801-393-4115. Job code HPDDR.

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THE KETTLE

Accepting applications for
Waitstaff
Apply in person
4206 W. Wall, Midland

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***PRE-SELL MERCHANDISER**

This position is responsible for selling, executing, developing, and maintaining progress in all assigned accounts. Also responsible for developing and maintaining exceptional customer relations. High merchandising and product quality standards are expected. At least two years in direct sales is required. Salary range is $26,000- $36,000. Work week may vary. Please apply through TEC or at 2700 W. Van, Odessa, Texas. Southwest Coca-Cola is an AA/ ADA/ EOE and A Drug/ Smoke-Free Workplace.

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High rise office building in Midland, Texas.

Please send resume to:

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Midland, TX 79702

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·TELEPHONE COLLECTIONS

Debt Collection Agency Has Opening For A Telephone Collector Trainee. MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

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- Good Communication Skills
- Self Starter
- Available to Start Immediately
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COPY CLERK- Law office seeking individual capable of handling multiple tasks with accuracy and attention to detail. Entry level position. Please submit resume and salary requirements to: Cotton, Bledsoe, Tighe & Dawson, PO Box 2776, Midland, TX 79702.

The Texas Workforce Center of Midland

We are accepting applications for the JTPA- Summer Youth Employment and Training Program.

- Youth ages 14- 21 years old
- Must be U.S. Citizen
- Must be economically disadvantaged
- Private and public sector positions available

For more information or to apply please contact:

The Texas Workforce Center of Midland
3100 N. "A", Bldg A
Midland, Texas
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Looking For More Than Just A Job?

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La Bodega

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ASSISTANT MANAGERS: Bartenders/ Servers, & Cooks. Cattle Baron now hiring. Benefits available. Apply Monday thru Friday between 2 and 5. No Phone Calls Please!

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Midland, TX 79702

Readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to Classified Supervisor and the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222.

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DRIVERS NEEDED- Moving company needs drivers with class A-CDL drivers license to run Texas and surrounding states. Must be able to pass DOT physical with drug screen. Must have verifiable moving experience. Call 563-1272 or 800-882-9165 on Monday thru Friday, 8am to 5pm for interview.

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First American

First American Bank Texas, SSB, a $2 billion financial institution with branches located in over 40 Texas cities has the following position available in their Midland office.

Part-Time Teller

This position requires sales orientation, excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Previous teller experience preferred. Hours: 2:00 pm-6:30pm. Monday through Friday. Must be able to work some Saturdays. Qualified candidates should apply in person at:

First American Bank Texas, SSB
1100 Andrews Highway, Midland, TX 79701
EOE M/F/D/V

Part-Time Customer Service Associate

We are seeking a candidate with superior customer service skills. Six months cash handling and sales experience and ten-key/calculator skills required. Bank One offers a competitive salary and benefits package.

Qualified candidates may apply at **Bank One, 2301, W. Wall, Midland, TX 79701, Mon.-Fri. between the hours of 9am-3pm, or fax resumes to: (915) 688-6333.**

Thank you in advance, but only qualified candidates will be contacted.

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Other things being equal, preference will be given to applicants possessing the following qualifications:

- High School Diploma or GED
- Valid Texas Drivers License
- Knowledge of wiring techniques including the installation of conduit and fiber duct for cabling purposes
- Knowledge or experience with electronic trouble-shooting procedures in regards to verifying integrity of wiring.
- Familiar with electronic test equipment ie., VOM, tracers, etc.
- Able to distinguish between various colors
- Prior experience in electronic/ network/ telecommunications cable installation preferred

- MISD is an equal opportunity employer
- MISD requires Criminal History and Reference checks be run for all potential employees.
- *Complete job description available upon request.*

Interest in this position may be expressed by submitting an application, and a letter of interest describing your qualifications for the position to the Office of Auxiliary Personnel, 615 W. Missouri, Suite 201 no later than 5 pm, **Friday March 13, 1998.**

HOURLY POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- **Rehab Aide, Midland**
- **Community Service Aide, Midland and Odessa**
- **Information Systems Specialist, Midland**
- **Information Systems Clerk, Midland**
- **Residential Specialist, Midland**
- **Job Coach, Midland and Odessa**
- **Counselor Assistant, Midland**
- **Community Living Instructor, Midland and 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.

COMMUNITY LIVING INSTRUCTORS NEEDED

Requires a HS Diploma or GED, TX Driver's License, reliable transportation and liability insurance. Individual will provide daily supervision, care, training and assessment of MR clients in residence. Will ensure the client's physical/ emotional needs are met. $5.90 per hour. 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.

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RED LOBSTER
2319 W. Loop 250 N.
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CAB DRIVERS. Learn a business. Stable work, must be courteous, dependable with good driving record and over 21 years old. Retirees and Students welcome. Call 685-7070.

CARHOPS, Day and Evening Shift. Must be energetic, willing to work, be dependable and have good customer service attitude. Apply in person, Sonic Drive-In, 4201 N. Midland Drive.

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DELIVERY DRIVER has an immediate opening for Parts Delivery person. We offer a competitive salary, excellent benefits package and advancement opportunities. Full and Part time. Apply in person: 300 E. Texas, Midland; 1228 E. 8th, Odessa. An Equal Opportunity employer. All applicants will be drug tested.

GENERAL- Need heavy equipment and truck mechanics. Must furnish own tools. Also parts person. Excellent pay. EOE. Days (915)332-0721, nights 332-9745.

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DINING SERVICES- Manor Park, Inc. is now accepting applications for the following positions in the dietary department: full- time Janitor and part- time Dietary Assistant. Must have experience in restaurant/ healthcare environment. Must be able to read, write and understand all written and oral instructions. Applications can be completed at Manor Park, Inc., 2208 N. Loop 250 W. Midland, TX 79707. No phone calls please. EOE M/F

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THE TEXAS WORKFORCE CENTER OF MIDLAND ANNOUNCES CAREER TRANSITION WORKSHOPS IN FEBRUARY

The Texas Workforce Center offers a variety of workshops each month to job seekers and employers throughout the Permian Basin. All Workshops are offered to the community at no cost. **Please call 687-3003 to sign up** or for more information. Workshops are held at the Texas Workforce Center located at 3100 North "A", Bldg. A in Midland.

THE STENOGRAPH INSTITUTE OF ABILENE- COURT REPORTING CLASSES & INFO
Would you like to learn more about the exciting field of court reporting? Would you like to work for a court or for yourself? Learn the steps one must take to become a professional court reporter as well as the employment outlook for this field! **March 18th,11- 12 PM**

EMPLOYER WORKSHOP: SEXUAL HARASSMENT
Companies must protect themselves as well as their employees against lawsuits. Misinterpreted communication can be prevented! Learn the law & how to prevent damage to your company. Rick Brown of Westwood will facilitate. **March 26th, 11- 12 PM**

RESUMES, COVER LETTERS, AND THANK YOU NOTES
A resume is normally the first impression an employer has of you. Find out how to make the best! An employment specialist will offer techniques in writing resumes, cover letters & thank you notes. **March 6th, 11- 12 PM**

BETTER LIVING FOR TEXANS- FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
If you would like to acquire knowledge, skills & behaviors in order to improve health, diet & self sufficiency, this workshop is for you! **March 25th, 11- 12 PM**

REGION 18- TEACHER CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP
If you are a college graduate and would like to teach secondary math, science, special or bilingual education this is the workshop for you! Learn how to expedite the certification process through Region 18's Teacher Certification Program. **March 19th, 11- 12 PM**

TEXACO MINORITY BUSINESS PROGRAM
Texaco spends millions of dollars each year to assist minority business owners with their businesses. For more information about this program, attend this workshop at our office. **March 31st, 11- 12 PM**

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HEAD OF MAINTENANCE, previous experience helpful. Must be HVAC certified, have own tools and pickup, pass drug screen and previous background check. No phone calls please. Apply in person only at 1902 N. Midland Dr. from 9am to 5pm.

FRONT DESK Clerk. Part time, 16- 24 hours per week. Dependable, customer service oriented, computer literate. Non- smoking environment. Apply in person Lexington Hotel and Suites, 1003 S. Midkiff. No phone calls please.

IMMEDIATE OPENING for the following: Diesel Engine or Truck Mechanic. Top pay and benefits. Average 50 plus hours per week. Time and one half for overtime. Contact Carl Britton, 1-800-525-9685. Nights 915-264-6410 at Big Spring, Texas. Drug test required. Must furnish own tools. EOE.

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CONVENTIONAL CRANE Operators needed in San Angelo. Call 915-947-4934.

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IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

For experienced salespeople in mens, womens, childrens, catalog. Full/ part time. Must be available to work days, evenings and/ or weekends- any hours. Good benefits. Apply at

JCPenney's Midland Park Mall

EOE M/F

INSURANCE- Large Independent Insurance Agency seeking licensed Customer Service Representative for Personal Lines Department. Salary open. Send resume and cover letter to Box T-5089, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT Manager, experienced. For road construction to work in the Big Spring area. Send resume to: Price Construction, Inc. Attn: Glen Strickland. P.O. Box 1231, Big Spring, TX 79721. Salary Negotiable.

DELI SALES/ Cashier- Need someone to work 2pm - 10 pm. Apply at O'Neil's Grocery, 3006 Garden City Hwy.

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Professional Lube Management Group

310 General Help Wanted

MANAGER
General Manager for guest Ranch in Davis Mountains. Responsible for administration, marketing, finance, maintenance and overall success. Salary and bonus negotiable. Fax resume to (214) 691-6545 or (915) 426-3502 Attention: Bill.

★RESTAURANT- Murray's Deli now hiring part time counter help at downtown location, and full time kitchen help. Apply in person, 3211 W. Wadley.

MERCHANDISER
Huffy Service First is looking for a reliable, self motived person to fill the position of part time Merchandiser. Part time flexible hours, great job opportunity. Some travel required. Must have valid drivers license, proof of insurance, must be 18 years or older. Call 1-800-952-4738 extension 4220.

GENERAL. Become a part of a growing company. Learn dry cleaning industry. Experience not necessary, only the willing to learn need apply. 905 Andrews Highway. No phone calls please.

HOUSEKEEPING/ Laundry Supervisor. Experienced. Terrace West Nursing Center has opening. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 N. Midland Drive, Midland, TX 79707.

DETECTIVE- PRIVATE. Investigator trainees. Good wages. call 915-629-3771.

310 General Help Wanted

Need strong individual for temp to hire position. warehouse and front store duties, retail experience a plus.

Call
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OPTICIAN/ OPTICAL ASSISTANT
Need a new career? Earn while you learn. Frame-n-Lens Optical, inside SAM's Club, is looking for enthusiastic individuals with good customer service skills. previous experience. We provide training, competitive compensation, benefits package, growth opportunities. Full time opening for 30-40 hours. Call Donna at 915-520-9220 or 800-555-0022, ext. 6551.

LEASING AGENT. Country Crest Townhomes accepting applications for part time position. 2- 3 weekdays, some weekends. Must be experienced! 6500 Eastridge, Odessa.

PARTS PERSON
For RV complex, long- term. Need to know terminology. RV background preferred. Call

683-7277
ENERGIPERSONNEL

DELIVERY/ SALES Person needed for furniture store. Experience required. Call for an appointment, 699-0604.

310 General Help Wanted

★TEACHER- Midland Childcare Center now accepting application for teacher. Apply in person, 3701 Andrews Highway.

RESTAURANT

*** THE BAR ***
Now accepting applications for several lunch and full time waitstaff positions. Apply between 8:00 to 10:00 or 2:00 to 4 pm only- Monday through Friday. 606 W. Missouri. 685-1757.

❤REPRESENTATIVES
Needed- sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla- 520-0119, Independent Rep.

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DISHWASHERS & Dining Room. Full time. No experienced necessary. Contract Mr. Chambers in person at , Furr's Cafeteria, 1116 N. Midkiff.

RESTAURANT- Looking for enthusiastic, experienced, dependable Waitstaff and Banquet Staff. For Green Tree Country Club. Taking applications between 9 am- 11 am Tuesday through Friday only. No phone calls.

Mikel Tubbs



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Full and part-time cashiers needed for Mr. Payroll, the area's largest check cashing service. Work in a bank-type environment. We are open from 9 A.M. to 7 P.M. Monday through Friday, close at 5 P.M. on Saturdays, and are closed on Sundays. You must be detail-oriented, have excellent money handling skills and great customer service attitudes. Benefits include tuition assistance, medical and dental insurance, vacations, and bonus opportunities. Drug testing, criminal and credit background checks will be conducted. Apply at the Kent corporate offices, 3314 W. Loop 250 N, or call 520-4053, ext. 371 for more information.

EOE

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If you meet all or some of these qualifications, please respond!

E-Mail greg@ogas.com
Midland Southwest Software, inc
Attention: Greg Brown
P.O. Box 11390
Midland, TX 79702
Fax 915-688-0193

310 General Help Wanted

GENERAL- Set Up and Maintenance Person for oil field rental trailers. Also needed Toter Driver. Must live in Odessa. Call 550-8058 ask for Ted.

HAIR STATIONS Available. 1 Private, 1 wet, family style salon. Good walk ins. Centrally located with lots of parking. Call Kelli- Salon 2000, 9- 5 Tuesday thru Saturday 694-2517.

RESTAURANT. Fuddruckers, Home of the World's Greatest Hamburger, is now hiring Service Personnel. Must be friendly and outgoing. Day and evening shifts available. Apply before 11 am and after 2 pm weekdays at Midland Park Mall.

FULL TIME Sales Clerk. Apply in person only. Must be responsible. Bilingual a plus. 1312 W. Florida.

310 General Help Wanted

RETAIL. Part time experienced, dependable, responsible, light bookkeeping, light typing, and general office. Some retail, will train. Good for retirees and others. Apply only to Darla Schwartz, for interview- Dinette Designs and Bar Stools, 1025 N. Midkiff, 520-6035.

RETAIL. Seeking Location Manager, Bunnies and Helpers for Easter photo promotion at Midland Park Mall. If you love working with children, are flexible and dependable, please call Cathie at 915-561-5372, leave name and telephone number.

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED. 3 Days/ Week, 8 am- 3 pm. Duties to include: Laundry and Cleaning. References required. Please send resume to: PO Box 53, Midland, Texas 79702.

310 General Help Wanted

SADDLERIDGE Lodge Assisted Living needs Cook. MUST know how to cook from scratch & follow special diets. We're looking for a well-groomed, enthusiastic team player who works well with the elderly. This part time position will eventually work into full time. Great benefits, great pay, great place to work! Apply in person, Saddleridge Lodge, 1808 W. Loop 250 North. No phone calls please.

LEASING CONSULTANT- Part time, Monday - Friday, 26 hours per week. Computer experience required. Inquire at The Courtyard Apartments, 2300 N "A" St.

MECHANIC On Duty, needs experienced helper. Must have own tools, pay- DOE. Apply in person 3210 N. Midkiff.

311 Medical Help Wanted

ICU REGISTERED NURSE
Full-time position available; Texas RN License required; critical care experience required; ACLS required.

PROMPT CARE REGISTERED NURSE
Full-time position; Texas RN license required; ER experience required.

MEDICAL/SURGICAL NURSES
Full-time and PRN positions available. Texas license required; General nursing skills required.

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Full-time positions available; Texas License required; critical care experience required; Radiology/Cath Lab experience strong preferred.

RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST
Full-time position available; ultrasound experience required; opportunity in cross-train in CT; Texas License required.

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Full-time & Part-time positions available; experience in a healthcare setting strong preferred.

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P.O. BOX 51070
Midland, Texas 79710
(915) 522-3030
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Westwood Medical Center offers its staff competitive salaries, medical/dental/vision insurance, tuition reimbursement, 24 days paid time off per year, shift / specialty / weekend differential, credit union membership and 401K. For details on our exciting opportunities, interested persons should contact:

J. Rick Brown
Director of Human Resources

Westwood Medical Center is a substance free workplace. Drug screens will be performed on all applicants considered to be final candidates for a position with Westwood Medical Center.

Westwood Medical Center does not discriminate with regard to race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation or any other legally protected status.

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*Experience the challenge and satisfaction of working for one of the leading teaching and referral centers in West Texas. Medical Center Hospital is currently seeking qualified candidates to join our team of professionals:

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(Experienced Required)

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Rehab
Nursery (PT)

For the qualified Candidate, we are prepared to offer a competitive compensation package that includes health, life and dental insurance; paid retirement; sick child care; and career growth opportunities. For consideration, please send resume or apply in person:



Memorial Hospital
Human Resources Department
2200 W. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701
1-800-833-2916
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Qualifications Include:
current TX RN licensure
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Hendrick Medical Center
Human Resources Attn: Paige Bohannon
1242 N. 19th Street
Abilene, TX 79601
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(800)933-2289
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806/743-3355 E.O.E.

***Licensed Nursing Home Administrator**

We have a current opening for a Licensed Nursing Home Administrator for our 150 bed facility in Odessa, Texas. This position requires a minimum of 7 years experience as a Licensed Nursing Home Administrator. The salary range is $70,000 to $80,000. We offer relocation assistance and a very good benefits package.

Interviews will begin March 2 and conclude March 8. Evening and week- end interviews will be scheduled. For more information and a scheduled interview, please contact:

Bill Powers, Director of Human Resources
HEA Management Group, Inc.
401 North Elm
Denton, TX 76201
940-387-4388 Fax: 940-380-2423

GRADUATE ACCOUNTANT
CPA Preferred.

Computer literate- to handle accounting and reporting systems for a medical home care company & several other medical entities.

Information Systems Coordinator for new software system with spreadsheet experience. Will be responsible for financial reporting and monthly reconciliations of all accounts. Must be a hands-on, hard working, organized, honest individual. We offer major medical, prescription card, 401K retirement plan, paid vacation, paid holidays, good pay commensurate with ability and experiences. Doesn't need to walk on water, but must not sink below the ankles.

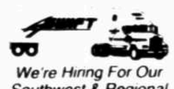
Call 561-8183 or fax resume to 684-7003.

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Supervise Medical Records Departments; Maintain policies and procedures for medical records. Completion of an Accredited Records Technician (ART) or Registered Records Administrator (RRA) program and maintenance of Certification required. 2 Years medical record experience required. Salary DOE. 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.

310 General Help Wanted

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PRESSER. Must know all aspects of pressing. Experienced only need apply. Call 682-0072.

RESTAURANT- Jorge's now accepting applications for part time Waitstaff and Bus help. See Janie after 3 pm at 3323 North Midland Drive.

RESTAURANT- KD's Bar-B-Q. Help needed- Cashier, Cook, and Bartender. Apply after 2 pm, 3109 Garden City Highway, 683-5013.

RESTAURANT- Luby's now accepting applications. Apply 8-10 am only. EOE.

RESTAURANT- Michael's Charcoal Grill now hiring Counter Help, 11 am- 2 pm shift. Apply in person, 4317 W. Illinois.

SAFETY DIRECTOR, must have experience with D.O.T., OSHA and MSHA regulations. Send resumre to Price Construction.

SMALL ENGINE Mechanic, must have own tools. Experience necessary. Apply in person, Bob's Rental Center, 2700 S. Rankin Hwy.

TECH POSITION open, looking for fast learner, some travel. Please call 561-8418.

TELEMARKETERS needed at Olan Mills. Call Lillian Smith at 915-694-2235, 1pm- 4pm, Monday- Friday.

WAITSTAFF wanted with experience. Apply in person 1000 A I-20 (next to Super 8 Motel).

311 Medical Help Wanted

*** CNA'S ***
New healthcare Administrator Glyndon Ruth Kimbrough at Manor Park, Inc. is accepting applications for CNA's for the following shifts: 6 am- 2 pm and 2- 10 pm in the nursing home unit. The right candidate(s) must be Texas certified, dedicated to and enjoy caring for the elderly. Excellent working environment and benefits. Applications can be completed at 2208 N. Loop 250 West, Midland, Texas 79707 and returned to the attention of Donna Parker. EOE M/F.

·HOME HEALTH RN and LVN
*Current TX License
*Dependable Transportation
*One year experience
*Current CPR Certification
For more information, contact Ross Padgett at ORH Home Care in Midland at 520-5294. EOE

***LAB TECHNICIAN**
In Monahans (must relocate). Must have Associates degree (minimum)* + one year training as lab scientist. $12- $15/ hour. Call
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DENTAL- Immediate Hire we are seeking experienced, dedicated and out-going team minded individuals for the position of Dental Hygienist, Dental Receptionist/ Scheduler and Dental Assistant. We offer competitive compensation and an excellent benefit package. For personal interview, contact Marty at 570-1950 to schedule an appointment, no walk- ins.

310 General Help Wanted

WELDERS. Taking applications for Single- Hand Welders/ Fabricators, experienced with MIG, TIG and Stick welding on carbon and stainless. Must pass 6-G welding test and Drug/ Alcohol test. Call Harold at 362-4666.

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FOR RESUMES that get results call 699-1919. Professional, quick service, affordable. Evening & weekend appointments available.

FRONT COUNTER pressers and assemblers need to have flexible hours and be willing to learn. 905 Andrews Highway. No phone calls please.

FULL TIME Janitorial Floorperson needed. Experience preferred. Apply at 1307 N. Big Spring, 8:30 am- 5:30 pm, Monday- Friday.

METAL STUD Framers, sheet rockers & helpers. Please apply at Midland International Airport, new Terminal building.

311 Medical Help Wanted

LVN & HHA's Needed

Senior Life Care is state-licensed community support service agency designed to provide services to residents of a retirement community. Our current search is for a LVN with at least one year of experience as a licensed nurse, preferably in home health setting, and strong clinical skills. Our Home Health Aides must have one year if full time experience in direct patient care in a nursing home, hospital, or certificate of completion from State approved home health aide curriculum.

If you have a love for seniors and high standards for client care, please call to set an interview or fax your resume to the following number:

Polo Park
Jean Reeves, Program Director
Phone: 915-570-1204
Fax: 915-687-5018

Registered Nurse
Full-time, Mon-Fri

We have an excellent opportunity for a full time RN to work in our Midland Specialty Clinic. Pediatric background and chemotherapy experience are preferred. Interested and qualified applicants may fax a resume to (915) 570-5696 or apply in person at: 200 West Wall Street, Midland, Texas 79701.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

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***RN MANAGER**
Interim Healthcare. We are presently accepting applications for an individual who has previous home health and management experience who is able to communicate and educate staff members. Please, submit resume. Fax 915-522-2256 or mail to: Interim Healthcare, 3205 West Cuthbert B-5, Midland, Texas 79701 Attn: Kay Blake, RN.

Dallas/ Ft. Worth Medical Center has two positions for the following:

RESPIRATORY THERAPIST
Full Time 7P - 7A & 7A - 7P
Experience in ICU/ CCU NICU and ABG's required.
Dallas/ Ft. Worth Medical Center offers a competitive compensation/ benefit package. Forward resume to: Dallas/ Ft. Worth Medical Center, Attn: Human Resources, 2709 Hospital Blvd., Grand Prairie, TX 75051. Email to Humres@dfwmedicalcenter.com or fax to (972)660-9578 or call our job line at (972)641-5371. Applications accepted between 8:30 & 5 M-F, 2nd floor, North Tower. E.O.E.

ATTENTION: LVN'S, RN'S, respiratory therapists and paramedics! Become an RN or BSN graduate and increase your income without going back to school! To schedule your interview in Midland, call Dianne Baskin by March 12th 1-800-737-2222

311 Medical Help Wanted

CERTIFIED NURSE Aides- Terrace West Nursing Center, has current openings for Certified Nurse Aides on the 2-10 shift. If interested please apply in person at 2800 N. Midland Drive, Midland, TX 79707.

DENTAL ASSISTANT needed. Send resume, references and salary requirements to: Brent Huckabay, 2101 W. Wadley Suite 44, Midland, TX 79705. No Phone Calls Please.

DR. JEFFREY KAPP is looking for the best Dental Assistant in Midland, to join our fantastic staff. Submit resume in person to Janice at 3000 N. Garfield, Suite 250, Monday through Thursday, 8am to 5:30 pm. No phone calls please.

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HOME SWEET HEALTH
is accepting applications for home car Providers for Odessa, Midland and surrounding areas.

Please apply in person to:
Alis Jackson, R.N.
Home Sweet Health
1002 Maple
Odessa, TX 79761

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PART TIME Opportunity for RN'S- Nurse Examiner needed in the Midland area. Become a part of an exciting State wide project testing nurse aides in nursing homes. Qualifications: Currently licensed RN with 1 year experience in caring for the elderly or chronically ill. Call 1-800-444-5178.

311 Medical Help Wanted

NURSES UNLIMITED
"Nurses Unlimited Unlimited Caring"

Nurses Unlimited, Inc. is seeking LVN's for our Medicare Division. Must have current licensure in State of Texas. Minimum of 1- 2 years Medicare/ Homehealth experience and Spanish speaking a plus.
Please apply at:
700 N Grant, Ste 100
Odessa, Texas
EOE

PART TIME position open for a busy doctor's office. Candidate must be self motivated and flexible. Position requires filing and lab assistance. Applications accepted Monday & Wednesday mornings only at: 2203 W. Tennessee.

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Responsibilities include maintaining public awareness with local physicians, hospitals, rehab centers via on- site visits, formal speaking engagements and telephone contacts. Must have knowledge of Medicare and Home Health. Must be a self- starter and must have an enthusiastic personality. Experience preferred. Salary and benefits including advancement opportunities. Must be able to cover Permian Basin Area. For more information please come by 808 W. Indiana Avenue, Midland, Texas. No phone calls please.

312 Professional Help Wanted

ENGINEER TECH
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4305 N Garfield
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*** MARKETING * EXECUTIVE**

Immediate opening for a highly motivated sales person with at least 5 years experience in direct sales. Broadcast media preferred, college degree a plus. Job duties include prospecting for new businesses and servicing accounts after the sale, professional appearance a must with dependable transportation. Submit/ Fax your resume to Tesa M. Whitley, General Sales Manager, Benedeck Broadcasting Corp. dba KOSA-TV, 1211 N. Whitaker, Odessa, TX 79760. Fax (915)580-8010. EOE.

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Reservoir Eng. to $ 95K+
Drilling Eng. to $100K+
Domestic Based/ International Projects to 100K+
Dallas Based
Drilling Eng/GOM to $ 95K+
Drilling Eng/ Overseas to $100K+
Geologist to $100K+
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Domestic Based/ International Projects to $100K+

All positions have Sign- On Bonus/ matching vacation/ other locations available.

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GLOBAL/PERM DIV.
(O)915/686-8360 (F)915/686-8302

ARCHITECT'S OFFICE seeking full time CADD Specialist or intern architect. (915)687-0781.

310 General Help Wanted

SECURITY SUPERVISOR
IMMEDIATE OPENING
in Odessa area.
Must have 5 years security and 2 years supervisory experience. Benefit package including: 401K and stock purchase plan available. Send resume to: S. Wells, 7500 Viscount, Suite 206, El Paso, TX 79925
E.O.E. - M/F

SHOP SUPERVISOR- Small gas compressor fabrication company is seeking Shop Supervisor. duties include some purchasing, general fabrication and compressor rebuilds. Salary DOE, please contact Lisa for appointment at 563-0245.

310 General Help Wanted

SHOP AGENT needed. Must have reliable transportation. Flexible hours. College students welcome, will work around hours. Apply in person at Budget Rent A Car, at Airport.

RESTAURANT- La Mision now accepting applications for Experienced Waitstaff who love to be enthusiastic, work hard and have fun. Apply 4410 N. Midkiff.

RESTAURANT- The Bar is currently accepting applications for Cooks. Apply in person between 8- 10 am or 2- 4 pm, Monday through Thursday, 606 W. Missouri.

EXPERIENCE DIESEL and gas mechanic. Salary DOE. 2214 Carter, Midland, Texas.

310 General Help Wanted

TELLER- Part Time Teller positions open at Western National Bank, Midland. Successful applicant will possess the following skills: handling currency, customer service, computer and proficient in using a 10 key. Applications and resumes accepted at 500 W Wall, or fax to 915-332-4192. EOE.

TICKET SALES- Need people to telemarket Midland Angels tickets full and part time. Must be high school graduate. Non-smoking office. Apply in person only Monday- Friday 9- 11 am & 2- 4 pm, 10601 W. County Road 127 (near Warfield Truckstop).

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312 Professional Help Wanted

BURLINGTON RESOURCES

Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Co. (formerly Meridian Oil Inc.), one of the largest independent oil and gas companies in the United States, currently has an opening in our Mid-Continent division in Midland.

GEOPHYSICIST

Burlington Resources is interested in people who can develop new and innovative approaches focused on the creation of economically attractive exploration opportunities that grow the company's asset base. Candidates should have between 7 and 15 years' experience and must be proficient in the use of a geophysical workstation, preferably Landmark. The successful candidate should have the ability to integrate 3-D seismic with sequence stratigraphy in various geologic trends. The preferred applicant should have an MS in either Geology or Geophysics with significant industry experience in the Williston, Wind River or Michigan basins. Strong interpersonal skills and a willingness to work in a team environment are a must.

Burlington Resources offers a competitive salary and an excellent benefits package. Qualified candidates should send a current resume to:

Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Co.
Attn: Human Resources
P.O. Box 51810
Midland, TX 79710-1810

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312 Professional Help Wanted

·ACCOUNTANT·
Independent oil and gas company seeks experienced accountant for G/L, JIB, Revenue Distribution and Financial Statements. Previous experience with Enertech/ Questa software a plus. Please submit resume and salary requirements to : Box PJ-3017, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

·ACCOUNTANTS
Two positions open for Accountants in Midland and Seminole. Midland area position requiring Bachelors in Accounting and 1- 2 years experience with basic accounting functions. Salary $25- 27K. Seminole position requiring Accountant/ CPA with excellent accounting background (prefer SSEC) and must be familiar with 10K and 10Q's. Salary 20K- 25K. NEVER A FEE! Call
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***EXPLORATION GEOLOGISTS**
Must have minimum 5 years recent experience in Permian Basin area. $65- $75K + benefits. Contact
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An Oklahoma-based energy company is interested in building an excellent team of high-quality members, excited about capturing opportunities in the Permian Basin. We have an immediate opening for a Process/Facilities Engineer in our Midland office. The Midland office is responsible for the gathering, compressing, treating, and processing of natural gas and natural gas liquids in the Permian Basin. This position will interact with operations personnel, contractors, and management in exceeding the departmental and corporate goals.

Qualified candidates for the position should have the following background and skills:

- BS degree in engineering from an accredited college or university
- 5 to 10 years experience in the petroleum industry
- Natural gas gathering and processing experience preferred
- Knowledge of applicable safety and environmental regulations
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Responsibilities include:

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The Material Asset Director for our Denver City location will coordinate procurement, sales and disposal of equipment and materials; work closely with production personnel to forecast, utilize and optimize surplus equipment and inventories; and establish safe and financially sound warehouse activities.

The successful candidate will have proven analytical skills; basic understanding of accounting principles; ability to manage multiple priorities; organization, communication and team skills. Business degree, 3 - 5 years industry experience and basic knowledge of oil field operations preferred.

Please send resume with preferences and salary requirements to Altura Energy, Room 520C, 580 W. Lake Park Blvd., Houston, Texas 77079 ***OR*** fax to 281-552-1281.

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Non-Profit. Does not need Degreed
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POLICE OFFICER
The City of Big Spring will be testing for the position of Certified Police Officer at 8:30 A.M. on Tuesday, March 31, 1998 in the Dora Roberts Community Center. Applications will be accepted through 5:00 P.M. Friday, March 27, 1998. For detailed qualifications and further information contact City Hall Personnel, 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or call 915-264-2346.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS OF THE PERMIAN BASIN

CEED DIRECTOR

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin is seeking applications for Director, Center for Energy and Economic Diversification. Serving as a resource for the Permian Basin, the Center acts as a focal point for research, economic diversification, and technology transfer. The Director will supervise the activities of the center and conduct research and technology transfer projects for the area's primary employment industry, the oil and gas industry. The Director is responsible for the operation of the facility, supervision of Center staff, management of the annual budget, conducting research in oil and gas related areas and teaching university level science courses. Applicant must have at least a Master's degree in Science or Engineering with credentials appropriate for a faculty appointment; ten years experience in oil and gas industry and five years managerial experience. The search committee will begin reviewing resumes beginning March 16, 1998, and will continue to receive them until the position is filled. Send resumes with three letters of reference to: Dr. James N. Olson, Chair of the Search Committee, The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, 4901 East University Boulevard, Odessa, Texas 79762. The University of Texas of the Permian Basin is an Equal Employment/ Affirmative Action employer.

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Amerada Hess, *a leader in the Petroleum Industry, has an immediate opportunity for a Desktop Support Person in Seminole, TX.*

The successful candidate will have experience with Windows NT 4.0, Novell, MS Office 97, SAP, and IBM compatible software. Education (degree in Computer Science, MIS, or Mathematics preferred), experience in computer support, and the ability to troubleshoot desktop programs and learn in-house software with minimal supervision are required. Candidate must also have the ability to conduct basic training in Excel, Word, Access, and basic PC usage. General knowledge of Network, LANS/WANS, and previous employment in the oil and gas industry are pluses.

We offer excellent salaries and a competitive benefits package. Qualified candidates are encouraged to send their resume in confidence to: **Amerada Hess Corporation, Attn: Larry Reich, P.O. Box 840, Seminole, TX 79360-0840**. EOE, M/F/D/V.

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DESIGN/ APPLICATION ENGINEER

QUALIFICATIONS:
- Direct experience designing gas compressor skids
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- Good computer skills
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- Must be able to work well with others and be a team

RESPONSIBILITIES:
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DRILLING ENGINEERS
GEOLOGIST (PERMIAN BASIN- GULF)

Those positions require a degree and may involve relocation. For confidential inquires call Jan Brown 683-1112 (fax) 683-6113.

EnergiPersonnel
4400 N. Big Spring, Ste. #202
Midland, TX 79705

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REAL ESTATE Opportunity In Non Sales Capacity. License required with some podium experience. Resume to Box B-04027, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Full Time

This position will be responsible for providing oversight and coordination of Christian Education program and related ministries. If interested in applying, send a letter of application and a resume to:

First United Methodist Church
200 E. Snyder
Hobbs, NM 8240

LEGAL SECRETARY for law firm. Successful applicant will be proficient in Windows & WordPerfect, type 80 + wpm, prior civil litigation helpful. Excellent benefits. Mail resume in confidence to: Box T-5090, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

PART TIME office manager/ lease analyst, familiar with division orders and assignments. Requires very good mathematical and verbal skills, ability to grasp new software, self- motivated personality. Hours flexible, but should have some time available during normal working hours. $15/ hour, 20 hours/ week. Reply in confidence, P.O. Box 10589, Midland, TX 79702.

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Midland, Texas

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We would prefer applicants with 3- 5 years experience in public accounting and/ or large oilfield service company environment. CPA preferred.

Please submit your resume and cover sheet to:

Reef Chemical Company, Inc.
Attn: Chief Financial Officer
P.O. Box 11347
Midland, Texas 79702-7347

The Terry County Community Supervision and Corrections Department, an Equal Opportunity Employer, announces a job opening for Director of the Brownfield Regional Court Residential Treatment Center (Center). The Director supervises approximately 30 employees. The Center is a 45 bed, all male facility. At a minimum, the position requires a Bachelor's degree in Human Services, ie, social work, psychology, or Criminal Justice. Extensive understanding of personnel law and 2 years in administrative position, preferable in the Human Services/ Criminal Justice field. Examples of duties: manages day to day operations, ensures Center remains within local, state and federal facility guidelines. A criminal history background investigation will be conducted and references verified. Qualified applicants should submit a letter of interest, resume, official transcripts, copy of last academic diploma received and a completed 121st Judicial District Job application. Applicants may contact the Texas Workforce Commission (806)637-4234, for a more extensive list of duties, application and further details.

LAND ASSISTANT/ LEASE ANALYST

Immediate position available with established Independent Oil and Gas E & P Company. The successful applicant will be responsible for analyzing oil and gas leases for input into Questa Data system; maintaining land files; daily filing of correspondence and various documents; maintenance and payment of delay rentals; word processing of all land contracts and correspondence for two landmen. Position requires high school diploma or equivalency certificate; minimum of six years land secretarial/ analyst experience; and a broad knowledge of oil & gas legal instruments pertaining to lease administration. Proficient in WORD 97 or comparable software and typing 60 + words per minute a must. We are an equal opportunity employer; offer a competitive salary (DOE) and benefit package. Please send formal letter of application with a resume to:

Box T- 5088
c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702



SALARIED POSITIONS AVAILABLE

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- **Case Coordinator, Midland and Odessa**
- **Cost Accountant, Midland**
- **Registered Nurse, Odessa**
- **Medical Records Administrator, Midland**
- **Clinical Review Specialist, Midland**
- **Substance Abuse Counselor, Midland**
- **Counselor Intern, Midland**

For details call our Job Line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E Illinois, Suite 301, Midland, TX 79701. EOE.

STAFF ACCOUNTANT
For Growing Real Estate Company

Responsibilities include preparation of financial statements on GAAP basis, and management reporting package. Assist controller in administration of day- to- day operations. Excellent analytical, organizational, and communications skills required, as well as general knowledge of PC and mainframe computer operations.

Accounting degree with minimum 3- 5 years accounting experience required.

We offer a competitive salary and benefit package.

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Controller
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PROGRAMMER. America's largest lenders service company has an immediate opening at it's national headquarters in Odessa, TX for experienced Programmer. Must be able to demonstrate proficiency developing multi-user software utilizing visual basic, access & C/C++ on DOS, Win & SOC UNIX operating systems. The preferred candidate must be a team player who thrives in a fast paced environment where the ability to spec out tasks on short notice is essential. Apply in person or send resume with salary requirements to: Brad Elliott, P.O. Box 7238, Odessa, TX 79760 or Fax 915-332-1065 for immediate.

Specialized Position
Land Secretary: degree a plus, not required. Experience is the key to this position; division orders, division of interest, titles, etc. Salary DOE. Call
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For Appt. 683-7277

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Installation and problem resolution of multi platform environment. Requires 3 plus years experience and working knowledge of SUN/ Solaris 2.5, IBM/ AIX and SGI/ IRIX. Must be familiar with Windows 3.1 and LAN. Call

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Requires strong secretarial skills. Must be a team player and proficient in Word and Excel for this temp to full time position.

SECRETARY
Must be proficient in Word and Windows 95 for this short term assignment.

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CHIEF OF POLICE

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APPLY: Human Resources, Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, Texas 79705. EOE

STAFF ACCOUNTANT

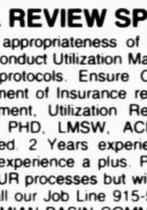
Growing oil and gas company seeks qualified accountant. Primary accounting functions include monthly analytical review and GAAP adjusting of financials, preparation of quarterly Securities and Exchange Commission and investor reports. Applicant should possess 3- 5 years experience in GAAP and oil and gas accounting. Public accounting background and/ or partnership accounting a plus. Knowledge of Excel and Word desirable. Competitive salary and benefits. Please submit resume and salary requirements to:

Personnel
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Midland, TX 79702

JUVENILE CORRECTIONAL OFFICER I

Texas Youth Commission has opening for Juvenile Correctional Officers (JCO) at facility in Pyote, Texas. The JCO provides direct supervision of the youth under the care of the Commission. With training and supervision, the JCO performs responsible and possibly hazardous disciplinary, guidance and security work while supervising youth. The JCO works as assigned and is subject to overtime and on call work. Minimum requirements: High School Grad or GED, valid Texas Drivers License, physical ability to perform duties and pass required training. Salary: $1,437 monthly raised to $1,616 monthly with 6 months satisfactory performance. Comprehensive State benefit package. Apply on State of Texas Application to:

West Texas State School
P.O. Box 415
Pyote, Texas 79777
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CLINICAL REVIEW SPECIALIST

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TECHNICAL SUPPORT/ SOFTWARE SPECIALIST

Experience with accounting software usage and implementation. Familiarity with the Questa Petroleum Industry software and Microsoft Office software highly desirable. Competitive salary and benefits. Oil and Gas Industry knowledge helpful. Self motivated individual with good communication and organizational skills required. Some travel required.

Questa Software Systems, Inc. is a stable and growing Midland based petroleum industry software development and support firm.

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Questa Software Systems, Inc.
Attn: Personnel Department,
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Develop an activity based cost accounting system consistent with managed care requirements and TDMHMR. Bachelor's degree in accounting required. 2 years experience in accounting, preferably health care and/ or cost accounting. Strong computer and spreadsheet skills required. $27,000 per year. 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.

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Qualifications:
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Attn: Paul Crawford
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Midland, Texas 79703

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MIDLAND DIVISION

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Tom McDowell
Administrative Manager
U.S. Probation Office
727 E. Durango, Suite 310
San Antonio, Texas 78206-1200
No later than March 8, 1998

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PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR

Coordinate the release of information concerning the City of Odessa to media, citizens and City employees via news releases and/ or conferences, three City publications, the cable channel and website. Work to build good media relations with media and public. Bachelor's degree in Mass Communications, Public Relations, Advertising or related field. Three years of media and/ or public relations experience. Must have experience in publishing and word processing software. Excellent salary and benefit package. Please apply at the Human Resources Department, 1st Floor, Room 104, City Hall, 411 W. 8th Street, 79761 or send resume to City of Odessa, P.O. Box 4398, Odessa, Texas 79760.
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***SECRETARY**

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U.S. PROBATION CLERK

U.S. PROBATION OFFICE
MIDLAND DIVISION

Neat, accurate typist, 60 WPM or above. High school graduate. Beginning salary $20,260 to $25,129 depending on qualifications. PC and Word Perfect experience REQUIRED. Due to volume of applications received, only those invited for interview will be contacted.
Submit typed resume to:

U.S. Probation Office
727 E. Durango, Suite 310B
San Antonio, Texas 78206
No later than March 13, 1998

*CITY OF MIDLAND

ACCOUNT CLERK II - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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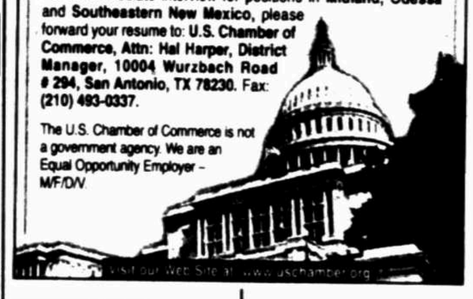
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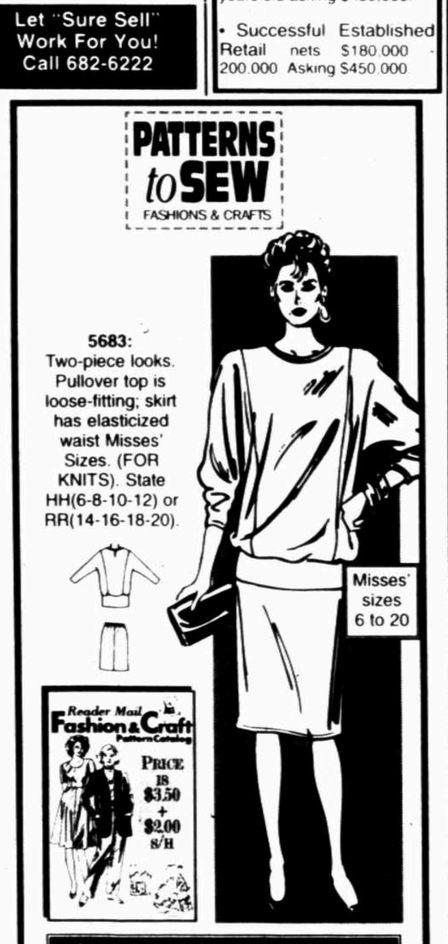
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MR. RIGHT?
Shy single Hispanic mom of two, 22, 5'3 ", long black hair, brown eyes, enjoys music, going to the beach and family outings, would like to share friendship with a dependable, single Hispanic male, 20-32. Ad# 9991

BIG HEART?
Humorous, stable single white female, 34, 6', brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys gardening, camping, the oldies, seeks communicative, honest single white male, 30-40. Ad# 8198

SWEEP ME OFF MY FEET!
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JOURNEY WITH ME
Single hispanic mom, 22, black hair, brown eyes, shy, reserved, honest, sincere, enjoys spending time with her children, music, seeking trustworthy, responsible single hispanic male, 22-30. Ad# 9341

STRONG BELIEFS
Single white mom, 24, 5'4", blonde hair, green eyes, full-figured, likes christian and country music, attending church, spending time with her son, seeking amiable single white male, 23-35. Ad# 8560

CUDDLE UP TO ME
Full-figured single black mom, 19, 5'7", reddish-brown hair, brown eyes, smoker, enjoys dancing, basketball and music, seeking fun, educated, employed single male, 18-30, who likes kids. Ad# 8603

LET'S TALK IT OVER
Outgoing single white female, 51, 5'4", 145lbs., light brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys dining out, dancing, movies and country music, in search of single white male, 45-65, with similar interests. Ad# 7274

HEART TO HEART
Single hispanic female, 49, 5'7", medium build, light brown hair, green eyes, likes football, baseball and hockey, country-western music and more, seeks a serious single white male, 45-55, mustache a plus. Ad# 8791

WE CAN WORK IT OUT
Single white female, 19, 125lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes skiing, swimming, music, seeks friendly, family-oriented single white male, 18-29, who is easy to get along with. Ad# 8344

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Professional single white mom, 40, 5'6", 135lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys fishing, camping, the outdoors, rock climbing and much more, seeks secure, spontaneous single white male, 32-44. Ad# 7069

GET TO KNOW ME
Single white female, 54, 5'2", full-figured, brownish-blonde hair, blue eyes, enjoys light reading, spring and fall seasons, movies, desires to meet a single white male, 48-65, to share interests and friendship. Ad# 9469

A TASTE OF NOSTALGIA
Single white female, 45, 5'4", blonde hair, non-smoker, enjoys reading, classical music, travel and dancing, seeks loyal, content single white male, 45-60, without children please, for possible serious relationship. Ad# 7442

I CAN BE YOUR COWGIRL
Single white female, 18, 5'5", reddish-brown hair, blue eyes, who is four months pregnant, enjoys dancing, singing and having fun, seeks outgoing and friendly single white male, 18-25. Ad# 1654

WEST TEXAS GIRL
Friendly single white female, 56, 5'4", full-figured, non-smoker, enjoys walking in the park, sunsets, reading, watching television, fishing, loves windmills and butterflies, seeks single white male, 55+. Ad# 2841

COUNTRY ROMANCE
Professional single white mom of three, 45, 5'7", blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys shooting pool, skiing, going to the mountains and more, seeks honest and sincere single white male, 35-55. Ad# 8996

MUTUAL TRUST & RESPECT
Single white female, 42, 5'6", 125lbs., blondish-brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys movies, cooking, dancing and quality time at home, seeks outgoing and fun-loving single male, 38-50. Ad# 5517

VERY INTERESTING
Witty, funny single white female, 35, 5'6", 128lbs., green-eyed blonde, enjoys animals, the mountains, sports, skating, biking, rollerblading, seeking single white male, 25-45, who has goals for the future. Ad# 7978

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED
Divorced white mom, 39, 5'6", medium build, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys dining out, sporting events, country dancing seeks single white male, 35-48, to share life's adventures with. Ad# 8822

THIS ONE RATES
Single white female, 25, 5'7", brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys movies, animals, country-western dancing, the outdoors and more, seeking a single white male, 26-34, who has a great sense of humor. Ad# 7522

NEW BEGINNINGS
Single white female, 51, 5'3", 120lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys nature, shopping, travelling, bowling, reading, dining out, seeking single white male, 49-55, for companionship. Ad# 7227

IS IT YOU?
Single Hispanic female, 19, tall, brown hair/eyes, enjoys biking and walking, dancing, sports and reading, would like to meet a single Hispanic male, 20-24, for friendship first, maybe more. Ad# 8859

FULL FILLING LIFE
Divorced white female, 51, 5'3", 120lbs., brown hair/eyes, slightly disabled, likes romance novels, baking, slow dancing and westerns, seeks single white male, 49-55. Ad# 8388

GOAL-ORIENTED
Single white female, 18, 5'2", 125lbs., enjoys swimming, volleyball and going for walks, seeking a single white male, 25-2[illegible] 7281

QUALITY TIME
Single Hispanic female, 36, 5'3", brown hair/eyes, enjoys children, movies, would like to meet an sincere, understanding, SM, 35-50, to share interests and friendship. Ad# 7306

GOING BACK TO SCHOOL
Shy single white female, 40, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, enjoys music, travel, seeks single white male, 39-48, for lasting relationship. Ad# 9931

ADVENTUROUS
Crazy, fun-loving single white Christian female, 33, 5'5", red hair, brown eyes, enjoys reading, country music, horses and movies, seeking single white male, 30-40, with dark hair. Ad# 8908

LOOKING FOR MY COWBOY
Professional single white mom, 45, 5'7", blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys football, rodeos, traveling, skiing, singing, dancing and quality family time, seeks a tall single white male, 35-55. Ad# 9092

WARRANTS CONSIDERATION
Single Hispanic mother of two, 34, social drinker, likes country music, dancing and going to the movies, seeks a faithful, truthful single Hispanic male, 28-36. Ad# 9772

SEEKS HER COWBOY!
Divorced white female, 45, 5'7", blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys time with her kids, country-western dancing, miniature golf, seeks single white male, 35-52. Ad# 7867

COMPLETE MY FAMILY
Nurturing, outgoing single white mom, 23, 5'8", 120lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes hunting, fishing, horseback riding, dog races, seeks honest, caring, open single white male, 22-35. Ad# 8992

LIKES THE QUIET LIFE
Personable single Hispanic female 38, 5'7", medium weight, brown hair/eyes, loves children, seeks educated, humorous, mannerly single white male, 35-45, non-smoker, non-drinker. Ad# 7966

LOOKING AT THE STARS
Attractive single white female, 43, medium build, green-eyed blonde, professional, enjoys travel, sewing and reading, seeks a confident, assured, employed single white male, 30-55, without kids at home. Ad# 9146

WAITING FOR MR. RIGHT
Single Hispanic Christian female, 53, 5'2", 135lbs., brown hair/eyes, never married, enjoys reading, long walks and quiet evenings, seeks neat, tall, understanding single white Christian male, 47-57. Ad# 8092

WIN MY TRUST
Single white female, 36, 5'7", full-figured, dark blonde hair, green eyes, a real people person, likes to read, music, do needle work, seeks an honest single white male, 34-43, for a committed relationship. Ad# 8202

COWBOY WANTED
Single white mom, 45, 5'7", enjoys horseback riding, shooting pool and country music, seeking tall single white male, 35-50. Ad# 9379

CHRISTIAN VALUES
Professional single white female, 46, 5'7", 117lbs., blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys theatre, biking, walking, dining out, dancing and watching movies, seeks educated single white male, 45-54. Ad# 9719

THERE'S ROOM IN MY HEART
Single divorced white mom, 34, 5'6", auburn hair, green eyes, friendly, outgoing, enjoys dancing, being outdoors, seeking dependable, sincere single white male, 28-40. Ad# 8223

BREATHTAKING
Single Hispanic mom, 36, brown hair/eyes, enjoys bowling, the park, movies, dancing, times with her kids, seeking nice, easygoing single Hispanic male, 30-40, that loves children. Ad# 8564

KIND-HEARTED
Single white female, 34, 5'6", brown hair, green eyes, full-figured, humorous, enjoys reading, listening to music, roller-skating, quiet times at home and more, seeking a single male, 29-45. Ad# 7359

LAID-BACK BUT STRONG
Confident single black female, 22, full-figured, hazel eyes, likes symphony, bowling, tennis and swimming, seeks a romantic, strong, healthy, hardworking, intelligent single black male, 22-35. Ad# 8173

COUNTRY-WESTERN ROMANCE
Single white mom, 26, 6'2", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys dancing, rodeos, camping and quality family time, seeks honest and fun-loving single white male, 20-35. Ad# 9207

CANDLELIGHT DINNERS
Single white female, 43, 5'2", light brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys cooking, fishing, crafts, sports, horseback riding, singing, moonlit walks and watching movies, seeks single white male, 40-50. Ad# 9042

HONESTY & PATIENCE
Single Hispanic mom, 22, 5'2", 125lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys spending time with her children, dancing and socializing with friends, seeks single Hispanic male, 25-35. Ad# 7332

I LOVE LIFE AND THE LORD
Single white Christian female, 45, 5'7", brown hair/eyes, enjoys camping, hunting and the outdoors, seeks honest and intelligent single white Christian male, 40-50, to be a companion. Ad# 8136

WIN ME OVER
Divorced black mom, 48, 5'8", brown eyes, enjoys socializing, fishing, bowling, playing cards and Bingo, seeking loving, outgoing single male, 40-69. Ad# 8674

OUTSPOKEN TWIN
Single white female, 18, 5'8", green-eyed blonde, non-smoker, employed, hobbies include dancing, dining out, movies, family time, seeks secure, honest single white male, 18-20, with a good personality. Ad# 2424

NOTHING SERIOUS
Outgoing single white female, 25, 5'5", 135lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, employed, likes dancing, swimming, horseback riding, seeks nice, easygoing, fun-loving single white male, 28-38. Ad# 8383

KEEP ME WARM
Attractive single white female, 38, mild-tempered, enjoys listening to music, motorcycles and hugging, desires a tall single white male, for possible relationship. Ad# 7979

INSIDE IS WHAT COUNTS
Athletic, open-minded single black female, 39, black hair, brown eyes, enjoys the outdoors, traveling, puzzles, reading and going for walks, seeking honest, strong single black male, 32-42. Ad# 9903

WANTS A REAL MAN
Outgoing single white mom, 18, 5'8", long hair, hazel eyes, seeking honest, secure single male, 18-27. Ad# 1800

SEEKING COMPASSION
Single white mom, 32, 5'2", full-figured, brown hair and eyes, smoker, enjoys movies, dining out, dancing and more, in search of a joyful single white male, 27-41, who loves children. Ad# 9334

SOCIABLE
Single white female, 25, 5'1", 105lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, professional, likes movies, bowling, miniature golf, reading, seeks nice, expressive, respectful single white male, 25-32. Ad# 9093

KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS
Compassionate single white female, 51, 5'5", 135lbs., brown hair/eyes, pretty, fit, likes oil painting, gardening, reading, seeks flexible, mature, kind single white male, 50-58, non-smoker. Ad# 8829

NO KIDS IN HER PLAN
Funny single white female, 18, 5'3", brown hair/eyes, employed, enjoys playing football, walking, seeks fun-loving single white male 18-25. Ad# 7473

PATIENTLY WAITING
Full-figured, shy single black mom, 19, 5'6", reddish-brown hair, smoker, employed, enjoys time with her son and her friends, basketball, seeks educated, employed single male, 20-35. Ad# 2878

VERY STRONG MORALS
Single white female, 21, 5'9", brown hair/eyes, employed, enjoys bowling, playing pool and dining out, seeking nice, tall single white male, 20-26. Ad# 7232

LOOKING FOR MY SOUL MATE
Professional single white female, 47, 5'7", 115lbs., blonde hair, hazel eyes, enjoys going to the movies, dining out, live plays, concerts and the outdoors, seeks single white male, 45-55. Ad# 8750

I'M THE ONE!
Easygoing single white female, 38, 5'6", brown hair, blue eyes, employed, enjoys football, shooting pool and traveling when she gets the chance, seeking nice, outgoing single white male, 37-55. Ad# 8856

CAN YOU ACCEPT MY CHILD?
Single white mom, 32, 5'2", full figure, brown hair/eyes, a smoker, enjoys movies, dancing, dining out, traveling and family times, seeks single white male, 27-37, no head games. Ad# 7902

THE MOON, STARS & YOU
Single white mom to be, 18, 5'5", 130lbs., reddish-brown hair, light blue eyes, personable, fun-loving, seeks easygoing single white male, 18-23. Ad# 9465

LET'S GROW OLD TOGETHER
Professional single white female, 42, 5'9", blonde hair, blue-green eyes, enjoys movies, music, dancing, animals and socializing with family and friends, seeks honest single white male, 40-52. Ad# 7819

SOMEONE HONEST?
Single black female, 29, 5'8", enjoys sports, movies, music, dining out, seeks funny, spontaneous, fun single black male, 28-37. Ad# 7364

CAN'T WAIT TO MEET
Single white female, 21, 5'6", 145lbs., blue-eyed brunette, likes sports, ice skating, the internet, playing sports, swimming, seeks romantic, nice single white male, 21-25. Ad# 8063

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
Single white Christian female, 42, 5'2", medium build, reddish-brown hair, brown eyes, enjoys travel, candlelit dinners, cooking, working with children, seeks a warm-hearted single white male, 37-47. Ad# 7919

ONLY THE BEST FOR YOU
Pleasant single white female, 47, 5'7", 117lbs., compassionate, professional, enjoys live theatre, museums, travel, the lake, seeks a strong, loyal, professional single white Christian male, 43-55. Ad# 8916

MY MATE MUST LIKE KIDS
Easygoing single white mom, 22, 5', 115lbs., blonde hair, brown eyes, employed, likes candlelit dinners, reading and movies, seeks financially secure, honest single white male, 23-28. Ad# 7096

CONSIDER MY AD
Single white mom, 32, 5'2", full-figured, brown hair/eyes smoker, likes movies, travel and dancing, seeks open-minded, understanding, funny single white male, 28-38, who enjoys kids. Ad# 8503

HEART TO HEART
Single Hispanic female, 53, 5'2", brown hair/eyes, enjoys taking walks, going to movies seeks understanding and easy-going single white male, 53-57. Ad# 7977

LET'S CUDDLE BY THE FIRE
Professional single white female, 27, 5'7", brown hair/eyes, non-smoker, enjoys movies, open conversation by the fire, seeks good-hearted, creative, intelligent, medium-built single white male, 25-37. Ad# 1332

THE GOOD LIFE
Professional, attractive single white female, 46, 5'2", personable, smoker, enjoys traveling, the arts, seeking single white male, 40-55. Ad# 2121

READY TO GO
White mother of two, 24, 5'3", smoker, enjoys dancing, motorcycles and spending time with friends and family, seeking single white male, 21-40, for friendship first. Ad# 6069

POSITIVE OUTLOOK
Professional divorced white mom, 32, 5'8", medium build, non-smoker, enjoys dancing, watching movies and cooking, seeks medium-built single white male, over 25, non-smoker. Ad# 2431

INTERESTED IN YOU
Single white mom, 27, 5'5", slender build, fun-loving, outgoing, student, enjoys the outdoors, spending time with her daughter, summertime, seeking single white male, 33-45, with similar interests. Ad# 1206

TELL ME NO LIES!
Single Hispanic female, 23, 5', 120lbs., shy, friendly, enjoys movies, country music, bowling, dancing, seeks single white male, 21-34, to spend time with. Ad# 5088

EASY TO PLEASE
Single white female, 47, 5'2", 145lbs., a smoker, lives in Midland area, enjoys dancing, music, outdoors, seeks single white male, 45-55, medium build, children welcome, for companionship. Ad# 7850

STAR GAZING
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A GREAT ATTITUDE
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SPUNKY ATTITUDE
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AFFECTION FOR YOU!
Romantic single white male, 33, 6'1", 210lbs., red hair, hazel eyes, likes most movies, writing poetry, listening to music and spending time with friends, looks for spontaneous single white female, 25-55. Ad# 7616

LADIES: HERE HE IS!
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LET'S GET TOGETHER
Funny single white male, 18, 5'11", 155lbs., dark hair, brown eyes, enjoys dancing, dining out, movies, country music, seeks humorous, personable single white female, 18-20, with similar interests. Ad# 9846

END MY SEARCH
Single white dad, 25, 6', 210lbs., blond hair, hazel eyes, enjoys good conversation, seeks caring and sincere single white female, 18-30, no head games. Ad# 8508

A BIG HEART TO SHARE
Single Hispanic male, 18, 5'11", 150lbs., dark hair, brown eyes, likes dancing, swimming, suspenseful movies and sports, looking for sweet single female, 18-21. Ad# 8909

EMOTIONAL MATURITY
Single white male, 38, 5'11", 230lbs., brown hair/eyes, beard, enjoys oldies music, motorcycles, seeks single white female, 25-45, with similar interests. Ad# 7017

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LIVE FOR TODAY
Outgoing single black male, 25, 5'9", 140lbs., black hair, brown eyes, enjoys movies, long walks, most music, seeking a fun-loving, outgoing single female, 22-30, for possible relationship. Ad# 9832

COUNTRY LIVING
Single white male, 37, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys sports, fishing, travelling, bowling, rock music, exercising, seeking an attractive single white female, 27-35. Ad# 9317

FAMILY VALUES
Single white dad, 20, 5'10", 160lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, likes country music, automotives, seeks single white female, 18-25 for dating. Ad# 9584

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YOU AND ME
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THE TIME IS RIGHT!
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I'M YOUR MAN...
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I'LL NEVER LIE
Shy single white male, 19, 6'1", 190lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes country music, traveling, movies, snow skiing, water sports, seeks a mature single female, 30-45 to share interests and more. Ad# 8887

CRUISE WITH ME!
Single white dad, 40, 5'9", 155lbs., light brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys comedy movies, classic rock music, dogs and rodeos, looking for a compassionate single white female, 32-42. Ad# 7195

ONE STEP AT A TIME
Educated, professional single Hispanic male, 26, 6'4", 275lbs., black hair, brown eyes, enjoys sports, dancing, going to movies and socializing, seeks an honest single white female, 21-29. Ad# 7333

STRONG FAMILY VALUES
Divorced white dad, 20, 5'10", 160lbs., reddish-brown hair, hazel eyes, fun-loving, employed, likes working on his truck, bowling, dancing and music, seeks a sweet, caring single white female, 18-25. Ad# 8429

TOUR THE REGION
Single white male, 65, 6'3", upbeat, retired, enjoys sharing good times, country drives, dining out and dancing, sight-seeing and travel, seeks a personable single white female, for companionship. Ad# 7519

NEW TO TOWN
Single white Christian male, 46, 5'10", 155lbs., light brown hair, outgoing, enjoys cars, music, computers, seeks single female, 30-50, with a good personality. Ad# 9511

VERY COSMOPOLITAN
Outgoing, witty single black male, 50, 5'7", black hair, brown eyes, professional, enjoys music, reading, long drives, travel, seeks drug/alcohol free, single professional female, 30-55, non-smoker. Ad# 8762

LOOKING FOR A GOOD HEART
Single white male, 42, 5'11", 185lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys motorcycle riding, boating, fishing and football, seeks personable single female, 25-44, who is honest, no head games. Ad# 8235

KIND AND COMPASSIONATE
Single white male, 18, 5'9", 170lbs., blond hair, green eyes, enjoys shooting pool, dancing, taking walks and watching movies, seeks single white female, 18-20, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 8354

STARTING OVER
Divorced white male, 39, 5'5", 135lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, responsible, employed, likes golf, motorcycling, animals and camping, quiet times and more, seeks a humorous, compatible single white female, 30-45. Ad# 8022

HAS A LOT TO OFFER
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SHARE YOUR TIME
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LOOKING FOR ME?
Single white male, 32, 5'9", 229lbs., brown hair, green eyes, professional, likes motorcycling, flying, scuba diving, spending time with family and friends, seeks an intelligent, sincere, faithful single Asian female, 18-30. Ad# 7594

LOOKING FOR HAPPINESS
Physically fit, employed single Hispanic male, 38, 6', 215lbs., black hair, brown eyes, easygoing, quiet, enjoys travel, sports, seeks truthful single Hispanic female, 22-34, with a good sense of humor. Ad# 8635

COMPANION FOR LIFE
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Single black Christian male, 46, 5'9", 147lbs., employed, likes church, skating, cooking, bowling, quiet evenings, seeks well-mannered, intelligent single white Christian female, 40-48. Ad# 9882

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EASYGOING
Single white male, 40, 6', 185 lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys tennis, going to the movies, computers, seeks loving single Hispanic female,22-38, for happiness. Ad# 8325

OLD-FASHIONED
Single white male, 37, 6', 220lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys volleyball, movies and more, seeking outgoing, loving single white female, 21-37. Ad# 7959

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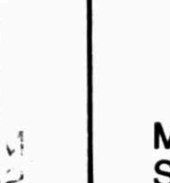
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79706

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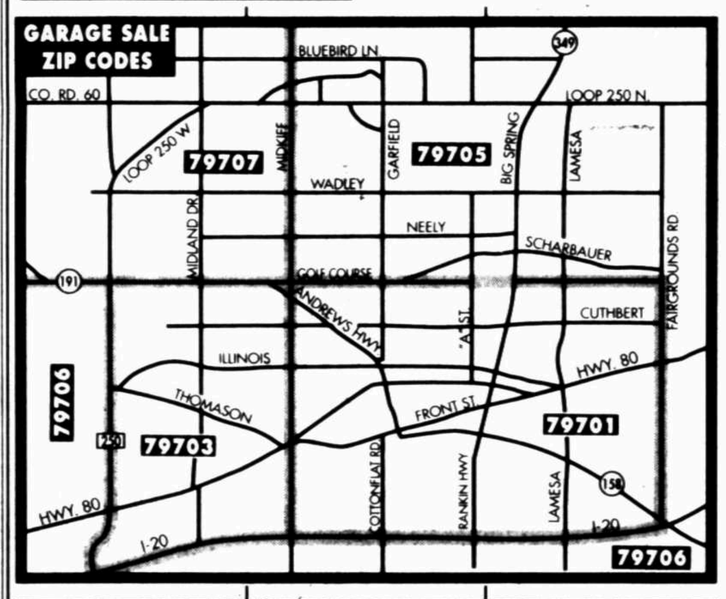
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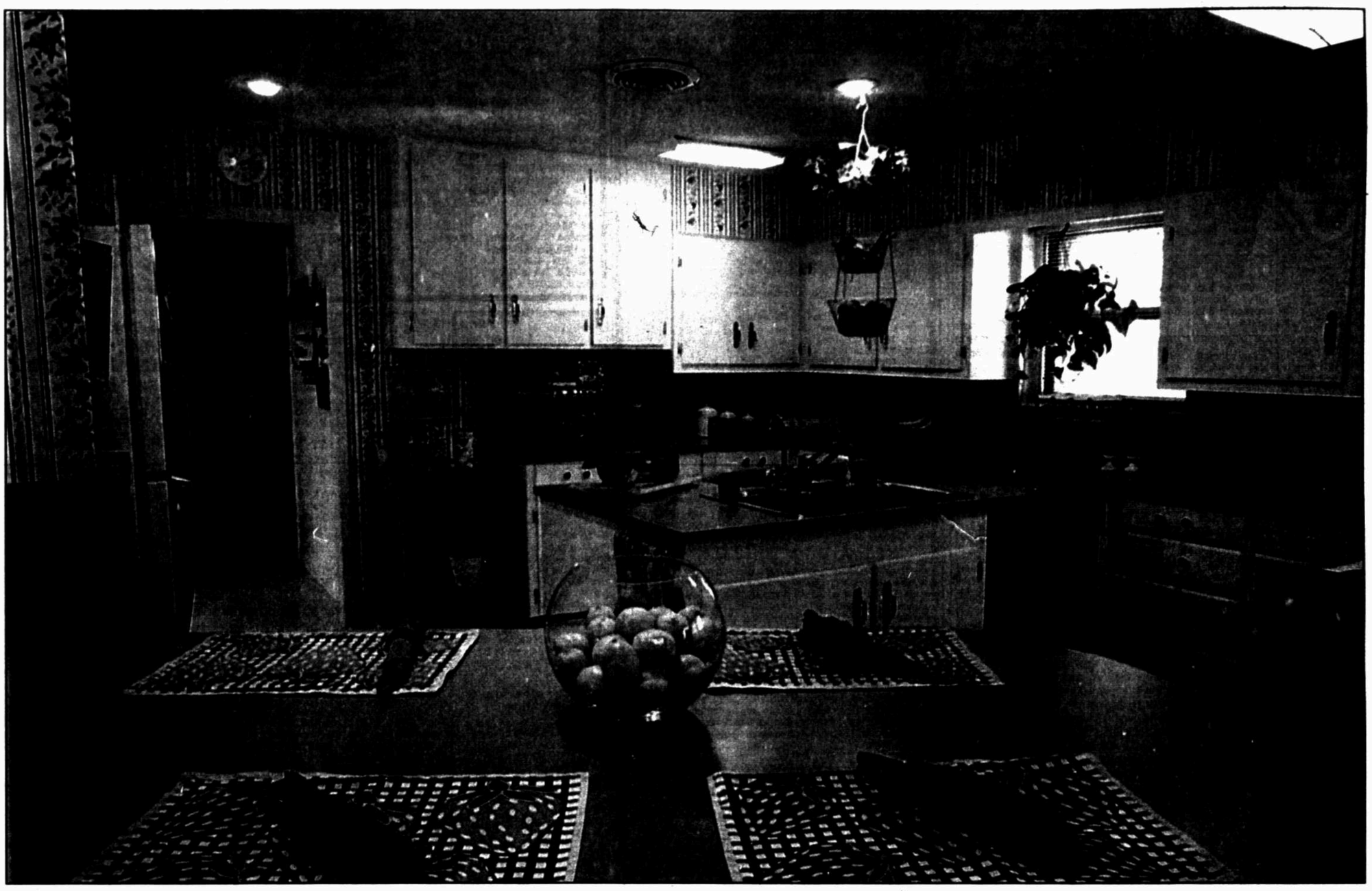
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Sunday, March 1, 1998



Family living with flair





Set in a quiet neighborhood in central Midland this attractive three bedroom, two bath property offers a large, comfortable home set in pleasant, landscaped grounds.

Listed for $92,000 the home is full of practical and attractive features such as the brick fireplace in the formal living room and the home office: There is a lot to see during the open house this afternoon.



Perhaps one of the more dramatic rooms would have to be the impressive kitchen which is part of the open-plan living area. The most interesting aspect of the kitchen is the sheer amount of counter space. In addition to the 'regular' countertops there is a large dining extension as well as the central island that holds the sink and the extra 'bar' sink. This design makes the kitchen perfect for entertaining as well as allowing two people to cook at the same time. Recessed lighting and plenty of windows help to make this a bright, attractive room. Features such as the built-in desk and window through to the sun room add to the pleasant feel of this very well designed room.

The sun room itself makes a perfect childrens' playroom and offers great views over the sizable back yard. With its brick floor and wrap-around windows this is a very comfortable room that really makes the most of the house's position on the grounds.

The open-plan design of the living areas continues with the combination of formal and informal rooms that lead off from the kitchen. The fireplace is flanked by the French doors to the sun room on one side and a coordinating set of built-in bookshelves on the other. This arrangement produces a symmetrical focal point to this large suite of rooms.

For more information about this family home at 2611 Hughes either stop by the open house between three and four o'clock this afternoon or contact Jane Wolf, the listing agent, at the Langston Realtors' offices: 682-9495.

Photographs by Kes Gilhome/Reporter-Telegram



Question: What does your REALTOR mean when referring to a "closing"?

Answer: A closing is the meeting where title and money are exchanged between the seller and the buyer, and the sale of a home is finalized.



Jackson

At the closing all the progressive steps in buying a home -from the acceptance of the offer, title search, home inspection, buyer's loan application to approval, etc. - come together in a final transaction. The documents are ready to sign, the buyer is ready to hand over the purchase price, and the seller is ready to transfer title - and the keys!

Usually held at the offices of a title company, the closing takes less than an hour, and sometimes less than 30 minutes. The meeting is always attended by the buyer, usually the seller (although his or her signature can often be obtained in advance), the brokers and/or attorneys, and, of course, the title company representative, who acts as the intermediary for the seller and buyer in the transaction.

What goes on during the closing? First, the buyers reviews all the loan documents, which describe the loan amount, payments, and itemization of closing costs, including impounds for tax and insurance, etc. If everything is as it should be, the buyer signs the loan papers. Next, the buyer reviews and signs the title documents, making sure the deed is recorded as desired (joint tenancy, tenants in common, community property, etc.).

By the time the closing is held, the title company has already conducted a title search and verifies that the title is head by the seller, and that no liens are held against the property. If there are any obstacles or other conditions that could potentially undermine the sale of the property, the title company will tell the seller about them (in writing) at the closing.

Assuming, however, that the funds are in order, the deed is correct, and the title is clear, the final step is the disbursement of funds to the seller for the purchase price of the home, and the presentation of the keys to the buyer. The buyer may also receive a refund for overpayment of closing costs, which were paid out of his or her deposit check.

What should a buyer be prepared to bring to the closing? That's easy: everything. The buyer should bring all documentation relating to the transaction, including a canceled check for the deposit paid with the offer, just in case the title company or lender asks for it unexpectedly. The title company should already have the loan funds in its possession, but the buyer needs to bring a cashier's or certified check for the purchase amount minus the loan amount (that is, the down payment).

Ideally, the closing will go through "without a hitch." Some delays - such as in receiving loan funds from the lender or an error in the loan documents - are unpredictable and, therefore, uncontrollable. Other delays, however, can be avoided if they are anticipated and, if possible, resolved ahead of time.

(Submitted by Bill Jackson, The Prudential ADOBE REALTORS.)

Why The Seller Needs An Agent



Jeannie & Victoria Printz

People sometimes wonder why it is better to sell their home through a real estate agent. Here are four reasons:

First, an agent can save you time. Through office listings and multiple listing services, an agent has access to many more prospective buyers than you do. The more qualified prospective buyers who see your home, the sooner it will sell for the price you want.

Second, an agent can save you trouble. If you are selling your home yourself, you will probably know nothing about the folks who shop up to look. Are they truly prospective buyers or merely lookers? There will be very little time during the showing for you to find out.

An agent, on the other hand, will have interviewed prospects beforehand to find out their financial status, their objectives in buying a house, the type of house they need, and their timetable for buying. The agent will also have had time to chat with them in the car, both to further establish a good rapport and to gain additional information about what they want and what they need.

Before they set foot in your house, the agent will know whether they are qualified prospective buyers.

Third, and agent can save you money. Having a larger pool of qualified prospects increases your chances of selling for the best possible price.

Fourth, an agent can save you hassle. Experienced agents are also usually good negotiators, acting as third-party intermediaries to smooth the negotiation process. Selling or buying a home is sometimes stressful, and an agent can help keep everyone's features unruffled during the process.

(Submitted by: Victoria & Jeannie Printz of RE/MAX-Midland/Odessa)

Thinking About Remodeling



Pine

This time of year people are beginning to think spring although we may have plenty of winter left. The seed and bulb catalogs are arriving and many of us begin to plan gardens, if only in our minds. It also is the time when we begin to think about home improvements, and wondering just how much improvement is justified in our present home before we have overdone for the neighborhood. You Realtor can sit down with you and go over the different types of additions and redo that will enhance your home where it is and other improvements are strictly for your own family enjoyment, however some may truly increase the value of your home tremendously. An extra bath is always an asset if properly done. A swimming pool or hot tub may not be what the next buyer is looking for or would consider a bonus. Discuss with your Realtor, the cost of remodeling versus moving up to a more workable plan. A new home, new neighborhood, lifestyle change may be the answer. If you cannot leave your neighborhood or if you home is ideal expect for one or two little details, then perhaps the expense of redo is worth it as long as you realize you may end up with the most expensive home on the block when it comes time to sell. Now back to those catalogs, a garden can be as small as a few attractive pots on the patio to a full fledged victory garden. Start slow and grow!!

(Submitted by Norma Pine, owner of Chaparral Realtors.)

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500 Pets and Supplies

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PUPPY SALE

Make your child's Spring Break extra fun!!

All puppies 6 weeks to 1 year old, only $35- March 6th thru March 14th.

"Nancy"- Female Collie mix, 1 year old, gold, spayed.
"Angel"- Female Shepard mix, 8 months old, brown and black.
"Fancy"- Female Australian Shepherd mix, 9 months old, black and white.
"Gotcha"- Male mix breed, brown medium size, 1 year old.
"Moochie"- Male Rottweiler mix, 6 months old, black and brown.
These, plus many more cats and dogs are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just $45 and cats are just $35. This includes spaying/neutering, vaccinations, wormings, and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two week period. Call 267-7832.

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500 Pets and Supplies

AKC OLD English Mastiff puppy 10 weeks old, fawn, female. Greco Medicine Man line. Call (915)620-0080.

STORAGE BUILDINGS/ shop starting at $39 a month. Various sizes and styles- delivery and installation available. 563-3108.

WANTED TO buy: Female Alaskan Malamute for breeding. Call 693-2543, Rankin.

GREEN CHEEK Conure male, and cage. $300. Female Nanday Conure & cage $500. Call 689-4010.

AKC Female black Lab puppy showing good retreiving skills, 3 months shots. $100. 689-6455.

ENGLISH SPRINGER puppies. AKC registered- black/ white, shots, financing. Rare in area. $250/ up. 682-2929.

AKC SIBERIAN Husky puppies, 2 females, black and white with blue eyes. Call 694-0975.

CARALOT Obedience Training Center. Puppy, beginner and advanced classes. Board and train service available. 683-4718.

SHIH TZU puppies. AKC registered. 6 weeks old, female $300, male $250. Call 699-7253.

500 Pets and Supplies

AKC STANDARD Poodle puppies. Cream & Apricot colors, first shots, wormed, $350 each. Call (915)558-2717.

Heloise Classified Hints!

Heloise Hint: Running dog lies down. If you are running with your dog and it suddenly lies down, you should be concerned. A number of breeds like Great Danes, Boxers, Dobermans and Labs are prone to heart disease. Loss of stamina while running could be a sign of this health problem, as could excessive or prolonged panting, fainting or labored breathing. Take your pet to the vet! E-mail HELOISE @cis.compuserve.com.

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AKC ENGLISH Mastiff puppies, first shots, Champion bloodlines, Greco, Medicine Man. Parents on premises. 335-7989.

BASSETT, female. AKC registered, red and white, 1 year old. $80. 699-1857.

505 Livestock & Poultry

ABOVE GROUND pools, complete packages, various sizes and shapes. Starting at $39 a month, delivery and installation available. 563-3108.

1995 EASLEY, goose- neck trailer. 5X20 feet, including 4 X5 foot tack room. Excellent condition. $6,000. call 686-9551.

ROUND BALES #1 fertilized Coastal. $40 per bale, free delivery by truckload. 940-392-2003.

GRAIN FED butcher hogs, starting at $100. Will deliver to packer. Call Steve at 686-0405 days, or Mike 570-1120 after 6.

8 YEAR OLD Registered Thoroughbred Gelding. Hunter trained, gentle, 16.1 hands. Call for information, 694-3929.

10 YEAR old Sorrel Mare. Registered. Experienced in PlayDays, Roping and some Barrels. Asking $2,500 negotiable. Saddle included. Needs experienced rider. Call 687-0790.

SMALL STANDARD, paint, Donkey, $350., and several registered miniature Donkeys. 684-7343, leave message.

200 BALES of 5'X5' irrigated haygrazer hay for sale. $25 per bale in field, located near Loraine, TX. Call 915-682-6311, ask for Kim.

507 Plants, Shrubs & Trees

PECAN TREES- These are bare root trees from central Texas. Western Schley, 10- 11 feet, $24.95. Wichita or Pawnee 6 to 7 foot, $19.95. (First come, first served). Gardendale Pecans, 16396 Hollyhock, Gardendale TX., 550-7609.

510 Office Furniture & Misc.

MAGNIFICENT EXECUTIVE 84"X42" desk. Handcarved and finished by Enkobol, with 69"x21" left hand return, plus matching credenza and (2) 4 panel screens. 683-1675.

510 Office Furniture & Misc.

TWO 5' Drafting Desks with stools. Also, 1 Blue Line Copier. 682-0123.

520 Store & Cafe Equip.

HENNY PENNY pressurized cooker available. $1,500 and assorted restaurant equipments including Pizza Equipments etc. Please call 699-1265. Available to show on weekends only.

550 Portable Buildings

USED 16X40 STORAGE building/ shop, 10 ft. walls, heavy duty floor, delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

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MORGAN
(915) 563-1860

560 Machinery/ Tools

RYOBI BT 3000 all options, Delta 12" planer, Delta 8 1/2" mitre saw. 686-7336.

GRIZZLY Heavy Duty, edge sander. 220v, 6X80 inches, $350. 682-1164.

15x72 CINCINNATI LATHE. 6'x14" 10 hp Johnson Radial Drill/ Mill. Excellent condition, call 684-6620.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

WIRELINE UNIT on a light trailer with 3,000 feet of 3/16, electric line, Onan generator, collar locator and firing circuit, $6,000. 381-1800.

1333' OF 4 1/2" non- upset tubing, P-105, 1550#. $4 per ft. 381-1800.

FOR SALE: Structural rods and pipe of all sizes at bargain prices. Call 682-1546.

Classified Can!
682-6222

580 Legal Notices

City of Midland, Texas
MIDLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Midland, Texas, will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas, until 2:00 p.m., April 9, 1998, for design, installation, operation and management of Telecommunication and Public Pay Telephone Concession in the new Midland International Airport terminal building. The new terminal building, which will replace the existing facility, is currently under construction and is scheduled to open November 15, 1998.

Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

The Telecommunication and Public Pay Telephone Concession Agreement will be awarded for a term of Five (5) years, with the optional extensions available as specified. The term of the agreement will commence on the date of the opening of the new terminal.

A pre-proposal conference has been scheduled for 2:00 p.m., March 17, 1998, in the Airports Media Room located on the second floor of the Terminal Building at Midland International airport. Proposers are strongly encouraged to attend this pre-proposal conference.

All proposals shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes address to:

Honorable Mayor and City Council of Midland, Texas
c/o Office of the City Secretary
City Hall - Room 340
300 N. Loraine
P.O. Box 1152
Midland, Texas 79702

and clearly marked:

Proposal for Telecommunication and Public Pay Telephone Concession at Midland International Airport

The proposal must conform to the requirements contained in the "Instructions to Proposer" and must include a complete set of all required documents and forms.

A bid proposal guaranty is to accompany the bid, thereby guaranteeing the good faith of the bidder and that the bidder will enter into the written contract. The guaranty is to amount to five percent (5%) of the proposed first full year minimum annual fee and must be in the form of cash or certified check, issued by a bank satisfactory to the City of Midland, or a bid bond. If in the form of cash or certified check, it is hereby expressly understood and agreed the City of Midland is given the right to retain such as liquidated damages is such bidder withdraws its bid anytime after such bid is opened and before official rejection of such bid or, if successful in securing the award thereof, such bidder fails to enter into the contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond and payment bond. If a bid bond is submitted, it shall be executed on forms contained in these contract documents by a corporate surety authorized to do business in the state of Texas, acceptable to the City of Midland and accepted according to the latest list of companies holding certificates of authority from the Secretary of the treasury of the United States of America. Proposals submitted without bid guaranty in the form of cash, certified check or bid for 5% of the proposed first full year minimum annual fee will not be considered.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible Surety Company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and satisfactory to the Owner, as required by Chapter 2253 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

After a review of all written proposals, interviews may be scheduled and conducted by a committee selected by the City. Each invited proposer must appear before the Interview Committee to clarify its proposal, including its qualifications. The Interview Committee may interview all proposers or a short-list of proposers. Proposers should not contact individual committee members to discuss their individual proposals.

All questions and comments concerning proposals should be directed **in writing** to Ken A. Day, Director of Airports at Midland International Airport, P.O. Box 60305, Midland, Texas 79711, Phone Number (915) 560-2200. Any questions arising during the advertising period as to the meaning or intent will be answered by an addendum which will be sent to all who have received proposal documents. The receipt of each addendum shall be acknowledged by the Bidder in the space provided and each addendum shall be enclosed with the proposal when it is submitted. All addenda shall become a part of the contract documents.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to advertise for new proposals or to proceed to have the services performed otherwise. The City, at its sole discretion, shall select the proposer the City determines will provide the best service to the Airport and the traveling public. The action to award the Telecommunication and Public Pay Telephone Concession Agreement is subject to approval by the Midland City Council. The submission of a proposal by any proposer does not in any way commit the City of Midland to enter into an agreement with the proposer, or any other proposer.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file in the office of the Director of Airports, Midland International Airport, Midland, Texas, at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 5214 Thomason Drive, Midland, Texas 79703, Phone Number (915) 697-1447. Proposal packages may be obtained for a non-refundable cost of $25.00.

CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS
Kaylah McCord
City Secretary

580 Legal Notices

PUBLIC AUCTION

As registered owner and/or Lien Holder of record, of the below described motor vehicle, you are hereby notified that said motor vehicle will be sold at Public Auction as an Abandoned Motor Vehicle under authority of Sec. 5.04 Article V of the Texas Litter Abatement Act (Article 4477-9a) effective January 1, 1982. Said vehicle(s) will be struck off to the highest bidder.

V.I.N. CKL186F136364 1976 CHEVROLET LICENSE: NVZ08G

V.I.N. 1G2NE54U4JC798993 1988 PONTIAC LICENSE: 849ZBZ

V.I.N. F10HKD54681 1968 FORD LICENSE: 6619KH

V.I.N. 1FABP0547EW227017 1984 FORD LICENSE: SWD34J

V.I.N. 1C3BH48D4GN185493 1986 CHRYSLER LICENSE: GBH3984 (COLORADO)

V.I.N. 2327148281 1977 VOLKSWAGON LICENSE: 38CB640 (ALABAMA)

Sale to be held March 2, 998 at 10:00 A.M. at 200 Henderson, Midland, Midland County, Texas.

Bill Stone, Deputy
Midland County Sheriff's Office
Civil/Warrant Section
P.O. Box 11287
Midland, Texas 79702
915-688-1012

580 Farm Equipment

JOHN DEERE, 3 bottom, rollover breaking plow, 3 point hitch hookup, hydraulic. $400. call 694-1183.

9N FORD TRACTOR. Runs good, new paint, $2,850. 686-8759 or 683-5003.

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Notice of Sex Offender Registration:
A 42 year old male convicted of the charge of Indecency With a Child is registered to live in Midland, North A Street, 79701.

Aviso de Registracion de Violador Sexual:
Un hombre de 42 años de edad se ha hallado culpable del delito de Indecencia con la Niña. El hombre esta registrado para vivir in Midland, la calle de North A, 79701.

NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY

NO 98-1247
DATE 2/18/98

ON THE 13TH DAY OF February, 1998, I IMPOUNDED THE FOLLOWING ESTRAY:

KIND OF ANIMAL Horse
BREED Quarter Cross
COLOR Bay
SEX Mare
AGE 5 - 6 years
SIZE 14 Hands
BRAND, MARK, IDENTIFYING CHARACTERS White star on forehead

AND ON THE 18TH DAY OF February, 1998, I FILED A NOTICE OF ESTRAY IN THE ESTRAY BOOK OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS.

I HAVE MADE A DILIGENT SEARCH OF THE REGISTER OF RECORDED BRANDS IN MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS, FOR THE OWNER OF THE SAID ESTRAY, BUT THE SEARCH DID NOT REVEAL THE OWNER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, IF THE OWNERSHIP OF SAID ESTRAY IS NOT DETERMINED BY THE 3rd DAY OF March, 1998, SAID ESTRAY WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION/ SHERIFF'S SALE AT 6109 S. CR 1178 at about 10:00 AM.
WITNESS MY HAND THIS 18th DAY OF February, 1998.

Gary Painter, Sheriff
Midland County, Texas
Ken Colston, Deputy

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids for Food Service Small Equipment, Bid #8F-0004 addressed to Mrs. Patricia Mouser, Director of Food Service, Midland Independent School District, 801 S. Moran, Building #2, Midland, Texas 79701 will be received until 9:00 a.m. CST, March 19, 1998, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915)689-1525.

Notice of Sex Offender Registration:
A 32 year old male convicted of the charge of Indecency With a Child is registered to live in Midland, West Wadley Av., 79707.

Aviso de Registracion de Violador Sexual:
Un hombre de 32 años de edad se ha hallado culpable del delito de Indecencia con la Niña. El hombre esta registrado para vivir in Midland, la calle de West Wadley Av., 79707.

PUBLIC NOTICE
BID 98-8

Midland Community College is now accepting sealed bids for carpeting and floor tile. Specifications may be picked up in the Midland College Accounting & Business Services office Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, 1998 at which time they will be read aloud. The bids will be tabulated and final determination will be made at a future board meeting. Bids should be addressed to Rick Bender, Director of Accounting & Business Services, Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, TX 79705. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted.

Notice of Sex Offender Registration:
A 39 year old male convicted of the charge of Indecency With a Child is registered to live in Midland, East Golf Course Rd., 79705.

Aviso de Registracion de Violador Sexual:
Un hombre de 39 años de edad se ha hallado culpable del delito de Indecencia con la Niña. El hombre esta registrado para vivir in Midland, la calle de East Golf Course Rd., 79705.

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Notice of Sex Offender Registration:
A 25 year old male convicted of the charge of Indecency With a Child is registered to live in Midland, South Midkiff Rd., 79701.

Aviso de Registracion de Violador Sexual:
Un hombre de 25 años de edad se ha hallado culpable del delito de Indecencia con la Niña. El hombre esta registrado para vivir in Midland, la calle de South Midkiff Rd., 79701.

BID #038-98
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

Fuel Delivery and Source

The City of Midland, Texas is soliciting Requests for Proposals for the delivery of approximately 3 BCF of warranty gas for the period of May 1, 1998 through April 30, 1999.

The City of Midland shall determine the most advantageous bid for the City and accept the proposal of the responsible party submitting the lowest and/or most advantageous bid or reject any and all bids.

Notice to bidders, information for bidders and request for proposals are on file in the Purchasing Department on the second floor of the City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Bids will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas, until 10:00 AM on the 20th day of March, 1998. Bids will be opened and read aloud at that time.

As of Feb. 10, 1998, we will not be responsible for any debts other than our own.

Bill Henkel
Bill & Pat Henkel
Pat Henkel

NOTICE OF SALE

Alamo South Mini-Storage wishes to avail themselves of the Texas Provision of Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, this sale is being held to satisfy a landlord's lien on the following unit(s) contents.

The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from sale.

Denise Hedrick, Lena Garza, Greg Young

Location: Alamo South Mini-Storage
1301 S. Connell
Midland, TX

Danny Palomino, Oscar Escontrias, Shirley Demerson

Location: Alamo Mini-Storage
500 N. Fairgrounds Road
Midland, TX

Items will be sold for rent due if not contacted by March 30, 1998.

600 Rooms for Rent

FURNISHED BEDROOM in quiet home, kitchen privileges. Off Midland Drive. $200 per month. 694-3972.

605 Apartments Furnished

QUIET, downtown complex. 1 or 2 bedroom. Furnished or unfurnished. Bills paid. Laundry room. Contact Rose, 500 W. Tennessee, Apt. 6. 682-3589.

STUDIOS. 1 & 2 Bedrooms Available. All utilities paid, free cable. Deposit required. Lexington Hotel, 1003 S. Midkiff, 697-3155.

610 Apartments Unfurnished

TRELLIS APTS.
1 Bdrms, Start at $190
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3212 W Wadley
697-0177

LAS COLINAS, Midland's foremost townhouses. One bedroom $495, Two bedroom, $595, 3 bedroom, $695. Models open 3- 6 PM except Sunday. 697-8770.

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CREDIT PROBLEMS??? Need a place to live? Call Misty, 688-3606.

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Golden Park
2 bed - 1 bath
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2928 W. Louisiana
687–4514
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●Mini-Blinds Throughout
● 2 Pools
●2 Laundry Facilities
●Covered Parking
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AWESOME 1 Bedroom Loft, new carpet & appliances, call 520-8670.

✔ SILVER CREEK

APARTMENTS 2438 Whitmire, 687-0053. One, two and three bedrooms, washer/ dryer connections, large closets, fishing pond, and courtesy officer on premises. Don't miss our special, 1st month free on 1 and 2 bedrooms.

1 BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath townhome. Washer and dryer included. Fireplace, patio with outside storage and ceiling fans. Great location and rates! Furnished and Corporate Suites available. Call for more information and move- in specials! 694-2011.

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THORNWOOD APARTMENTS. Great prices, all sizes, great location. Free cable. 682-5381.

Hunter's Ridge Apartments
$195 - 1 Bedroom
4201 Andrews Highway
520–0023

Don't be blown away by high rent - settle in with us!
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563-4550 or 520-5192.

EMERALD TERRACE Apartments for rent starting at $189. 682-1659.

$150 OFF 1st Full Month's Rent! Garden Court Apartments. One & two bedrooms. Very spacious! Monday- Friday, 12- 5:30. Call 683-9270.

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1, 2 & 3 Bedrooms
Senior Citizen Discount
All utilities/ basic cable paid.
1603 N. Midkiff Rd.
Midland TX 79701
915-694-1112

ASHTON WAY APARTMENTS
Don't go bust paying your first month's rent. Get your savings at 2613 N. Midland Drive. 1, 2, & 3 bedrooms. $227 - $469.
Mon.- Fri. 9 - 5; Sat 10 - 2
(915)694-1646

LARGE, 1 BEDROOM, 1 bath, washer dryer hookup, with off street parking, $235. Call 520-0118 for appointment.

LEASE- 1 Bedroom Duplex 919-B Bentwood. Carport, storage building, nice yard, all appliances furnished. No pets. $325/ Month, $325/ Deposit. Call 697-1390.

2 BEDROOMS, 1 bath, utility room, 3 entrance doors. $300 monthly, $100 deposit. 570-4514.

SANTA FE APARTMENTS
5010 W LOOP 250
●1 bedroom- 1st month free
●2 bedroom- 1st month $99
●New Carpet, Ceiling Fans
●Senior Citizen Discount
694–1349

625 Houses Unfurnished

Lorie Ximenez

3520 IMPERIAL- 4 bedroom, 2 bath home with new carpet, paint & wall paper. Rents for $900 with $900 deposit. Call Luellie @ 699-0732 or Carriage Company @ 684-5881.

Alicia Siruta

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694-1646

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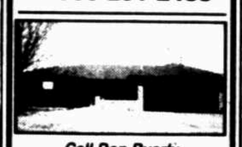
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LEASE- 1 Bedroom Duplex. 919-B Bentwood. Carport, storage building, nice yard, all appliances furnished. No pets. $325/ Month, $325/ Deposit. Call 697-1390.

506 EUGENE; small 1 bedroom brick house. Carpeted. $225 a month plus $100 deposit. Call 684-5310.

2 BEDROOM DUPLEXES. Some appliances. Water paid. $425 to $550/ month plus deposit. Williams & Assoc., 694-9663.

625 Houses Unfurnished

3 BEDROOM, 2 LIVING, 2 bath, no pets, $850 monthly plus deposit, references. 5302 San Antonio. Call 699-6544.

3 BEDROOM, 2 Bath Duplex. Private backyard, patio, carport, appliances furnished. 1 Year lease. $550/ Month. $300 Deposit. No pets. 699-4818.

WEST SIDE: 3 bedrooms, 2 baths single garage, appliances furnished. No pets, no exceptions. $675. 699-4361

VERY CLEAN on quiet street, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, central heat/ air, water paid, $575 per month plus deposit. Call 520-2643 for more information.

FOR LEASE: Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage Wallace Patio Home. $1,325/ Month. 689-3920.

625 Houses Unfurnished

4409 ST. ANDREWS; exceptionally nice, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. $900 monthly. 694-9853.

3212 DURANT; 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 living areas, 2 garage. No pets. $975/ month plus deposit. Alice Howard 694-3040 Chaparral Realtors.

4418-B THOMASON. 2 Bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Washer- dryer hookups, central heat & air, 2 car garage with opener, small yard. No pets. $485 plus deposit. 699-6258.

ODESSA- Luxury Property; less than 4 years old, University Gardens Addition. 3 bedroom, plus large game room, 3 bath, 2 car garage. 4623 Lemonwood, $1,495 per month, $600 deposit. Contact Cindy Brown, Broker/ Ower Agent with Realty Unlimited, 550-5609.

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3507 W. ILLINOIS, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, den, garage, $550 monthly, $200 deposit. Call after 5pm, 520-8726.

625 Houses Unfurnished

QUIET LIVING,remoded, large 2 bedroom, extras, no pets, $400 deposit, $550/ month, references. 520-6610/ 567-7956.

640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

LAS COLINAS CONDO. Extra large 1 bedroom flat. Many amenities, 2 fireplaces, patio, security gate $490/ monthly. Call Rhonda at 683-5226, ext. 104.

LAFAYETTE PLACE, West Texas most elegant townhouse complex, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, $1,400 684-0996.

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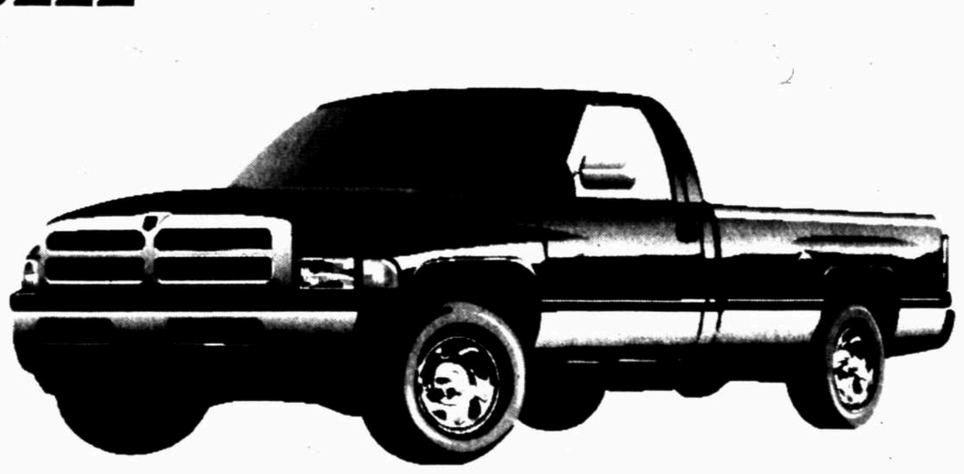
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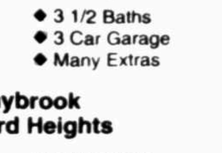
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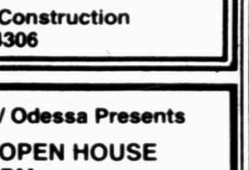
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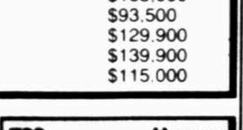
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Ba	Bath
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Dbl	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm	Master Bdrm
Gar	Garage
Bldg	Building
Cond	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying Assumable
QA	Qualifying Assumable
Ac	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm /Ba /Gar



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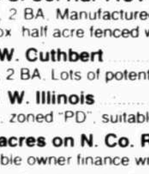
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302 S. Eisenhower. $46,900. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Price has been reduced and all this one needs is the pickett fence!

116 S. Dewberry. $47,800. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath with lots of possibilities.

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5704 DEVLIN-Wonderful 4BD/3BA/2LA/3 car garage. New construction! Quality construction! Beautiful cabinets & fireplace treatments. **Chris Beckett.....Open 3-5**

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TANNER- ..... UNDER CONTRACT
CHEROKEE-Cute home for first time home buyer. 3BD/1BA/1LA. Pretty carpet & ceramic tile! New wallpaper in bathroom! Excellent condition! **NEW LISTING!** $32,500
KESSLER-Completely remodeled!! 3BD/2BA. New carpet, vinyl, and paint! Tons of space! Close to school! **Owner anxious to sell! NEW LISTING!** $42,500
PINE-Charming doll house in excellent condition! 3BD/2BA/2LA $45,000
BAIRD-Don't pass up this opportunity to have your own business! $50,000
E. CO. RD. 104-Wonderful country property on 3 acres! 2BD/2LA. New countertops & vinyl. Huge workshop, horse facilities & in Greenwood schools. **NEW LISTING!** $59,000
IRWIN- ..... UNDER CONTRACT
LEISURE-Adorable family home! Gorgeous living room area. Fresh paint, large kitchen, pretty backyard w/storage building. Great set up! **NEW LISTING!** $61,900
S. CO. RD. 1160-Charming in the country! 3BD/2BA w/apt. + wrkshp on 3+acres!! $74,500
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SEQUOIA-Luxurious 2 story, 5 BDR/3.5BA. **Owners want offers!!** $182,000
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HARVARD-Re-done in "Old Midland"! Huge 4BD/3BA/2LA with pool $197,450
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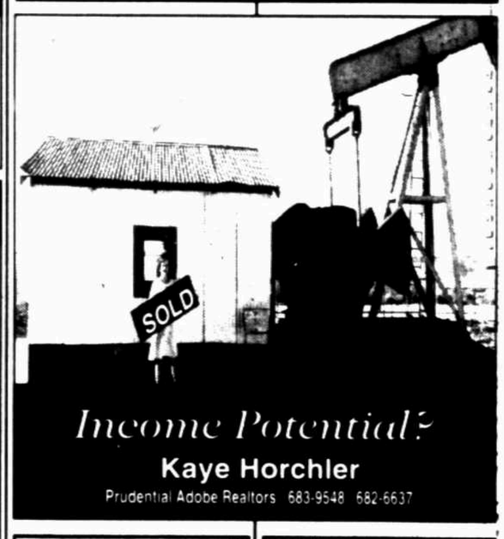
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3900 Buchanan-3/2, Spa	$77,700
3507 Boyd-2/2 Townhouse	$89,000
3509 Boyd-3/2 Townhouse	UNDER CONTRACT...$94,000
2607 Harvard-4/3	$129,900
2603 Spartan-4/3/1 Townhouse/5 car garage	$151,000
4308 Gleneagles-Duplex - New Construction	$225,000
4311 St. Andrews-Duples - New Construction	$225,000
SUBURBAN	
RANCH - 389 acres - 3/3/2	$220,000
GREENWOOD SCHOOLS-10607 E. CO. RD. 105-3/2	U/C...$66,900
20 Acres near Skywest Airport on Co. Rd. 1218	$60,000
Co. Rd. 1247-4BR,3BA, 4th BR/office	$99,500
4301 Kniffen-3/2/1LA	$99,900
4601 Tattenham-3/3/1/RV& Shop	U/C $167,000
Co. Rd. 1184-3BR, 2BA + office	$119,000
217 Carol Ln.-4BR,3BA, Pool & Lg. Shop!!	$119,900
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730 Suburban Property

ONE ACRE- close in, 5 years old, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, double garage, 1,746 square feet plus 2 bedroom apartment, 1,200 square foot work shop, 2 trailer spaces with hook- ups. Paved road. $90,000. Ciro Sanchez, Realtor, 684-6250.

2901 SUNGLO, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Approx. 2.42 acres, with 2 efficiency apartments, plus a cinder block workshop. $53,000. Call Patty 694-6860, Abbett Realty 563-2422.

GREENWOOD ISD- 2.12 acres, mobile home with brick skirting, two large built on rooms, arena, barn, pipe corrals, wonderful country location. Call Jim @ 682-9404 or Jan 520-8515 or 686-7432.

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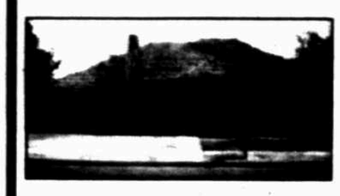

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FAIRWOOD	Beautiful Custom 5+bd-5+ba-3 liv-Pool w/Cabana	$ 515,000
SOLOMAN	Beautiful 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Gst Hse-Approx 1.5 Ac	$ 335,000
DORAL	Southwest 2 Story 4 bd-3.5 ba-4 liv-Corner Lot	$ 289,500
HATHAWAY	**NEW LISTING**	$ 275,000
	1-Owner Custom 3 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Two Blt-In Entertainment Centers	
FAIRWOOD	**NEW LISTING**	$ 269,900
	Wonderful Home 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Built-In Refrigerator	
BENT TREE	New Whitley 5 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Pick Colors!	$ 258,000
VERDE GLEN	Beautiful Whitley 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Shutters	$ 249,900
HILLCREST	**NEW LISTING**	$ 242,500
	Decorator's Home 5 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv + Bonus Room-Oustanding!	
FOX HOLLOW	Gorgeous 1-Owner 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-2 Story	$ 219,000
EDGEBROOK	New by Brown 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Beautiful	$ 219,900
SHADY BEND	Great 1-Owner 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Pool Size Yard	$ 208,500
DEVLIN	...New by Hunt 5 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Quiet Cul-De-Sac	$ 198,900
CHERERYWOOD	**NEW LISTING**	$ 179,900
	Wonderful Custom 3 bd-3 ba-2 liv-7 mo Young-Very Open Plan	
ASHWOOD	New Graham! 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Open Plan	$ 176,500
HIGHLAND	New by Graham 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Shutters	$ 176,500
SPRING MEADOW	Patio Home 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pretty/Light	$ 173,800
CHERRYWOOD	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
WOODHOLLOW	**REDUCED** 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Many Amenities	$ 172,900
RIDGEMONT	**REDUCED** 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Wood Shutters	$ 169,900
CHERRYWOOD	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
GRASSLAND	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
GRASSLAND	Must See! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Jacuzzi Tub	$ 164,900
SPRING MEADOW	Fabulous New Twnhme 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv	$ 162,900
LENNOX	Beautiful 4 bd-4 ba-2 liv-Fabulous Kit-Great Blt-Ins	$ 154,000
GRASSLAND	**REDUCED**! New Hunt 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv	$ 152,500
WINDDRIFT	Light & Clean 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Great Closets	$ 149,950
NORTHFIELD	**NEW LISTING**	$ 149,000
	Light/Bright 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Large Backyard	
DRIFTWOOD	On The Course 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Light	$ 144,900
STERLING	New Graham 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Nice & Open	$ 144,500
STERLING	Wonderful Graham 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Miniblinds	$ 144,500
WOODHAVEN	Very Nice 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Pool Size Yard	$ 139,900
LOS ALAMITOS	Carpet Allowance 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Pool!	$ 139,900
ROSEWOOD	One-Owner 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Lots Extras/Storage	$ 134,500
VALLEY	Large/Well-Cared For 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Updated	$ 132,500
CHAPEL HILL	**REDUCED** 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-2 Fpl	$ 125,000
HEREFORD	Grassland Est 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Sprinkler	$ 124,900
GOLF COURSE	Beautiful 2 Story 5 bd-3 ba-2 liv	$ 122,000
CASTLEFORD	One-Owner 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Many Extras	$ 119,900
HILLSBORO CT	Excellent Condition 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv	$ 119,900
WHITMAN	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
KENSINGTON	Polo Park Beauty 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Built '96	$ 116,000
APPERSON	Wonderful Plan 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Updated!	$ 112,000
WESTMINSTER	New Antilley 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Good Plan	$ 104,900
CALDERA	Kahler Resale 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Beautiful Kit	$ 104,000
BOULDER	Great Open Plan 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Seq Mstr	$ 98,700
NOEL	Lots Recent! 3 bd-2ba-2 liv-Here's Your Townhome	$ 98,500
PRINCETON	New Townhome 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq Mstr	$ 98,000
PRINCETON	New Rydell 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Beautiful Twnhm	$ 98,000
TENNESSEE	**NEW LISTING**	$ 97,000
	Absolutely Beautiful! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Completely Remodeled & Fresh	
MAXWELL	Great Plan! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Beautiful/Updated	$ 97,000
WESTMINSTER	Very Nice 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Rec Updates	$ 94,900
COMMUNITY	Unusual 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Beautiful Yard	$ 94,900
ANGELINA	Fresh & Updated 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv	$ 91,750
MCDONALD	Lovely/Light 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-RV Gar/Wkshp	$ 89,500
PECAN	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Landscaped	$ 88,446
PLEASANT	...One-Owner 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Cunningham Built	$ 86,500
LANHAM	Totally Redone! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Built-Ins Galore	$ 85,000
HYDE PARK	Beautiful Condition 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Remodeled	$ 84,975
CULVER	Fresh Carpet 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Large Bedrooms	$ 84,900
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Can be 4 Bd	$ 83,500
SPENCE	By Whitehead 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Growing Family Plan	$ 83,500
ST ANDREWS	Great Screened Patio 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv	$ 81,900
WINDSOR	One-Owner 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Convenient Location	$ 81,900
CASPER	Whitehead New 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Oper Plan	$ 81,500
MISSION CT	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
LAVACA	One-Owner 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open/Airy-Atrium	$ 79,900
JORDAN	Great Home 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Home Warranty	$ 79,900
DOUGLAS	Roomy 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-**Non-Qualify Assmp**	$ 79,000
FRONTIER	Nice Home 4 bd-3 bd-1 liv-Seq Master	$ 78,000
CONROE	Nice 3 bd-2.5 + .5 ba-2 liv-Lots of Space/Extras	$ 77,000
SPENCE	Whitehead Const 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Roomy Plan	$ 76,744
SPENCE	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New 2 bd-2ba-1 liv-Good Space	$ 76,244
CASPER	New Whitehead 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors/Options	$ 74,744
WILLINGHAM	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
SPENCE	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
SPENCE	By Whitehead 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plan Your Dream	$ 73,900
DORA PL	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
SPENCE	By Whitehead 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great for Retirement	$ 70,225
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$ 70,225
RIO GRANDE	Nice 1-Owner 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Updates	$ 69,950
CASPER	By Whitehead 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great for 1st-Time	$ 68,225
HUGHES	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
SPENCE	New Whitehead 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Huge Mstr	$ 66,704
OHIO	Great Home! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Lots of Space	$ 63,000
PASADENA	Cute/Cute House! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Corner Lot	$ 62,900
WHITTLE WAY	Nice Twnhm 2 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Large Mstr	$ 59,900
BELAIRE	**NEW LISTING**	$ 59,900
	Much Recent 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Above-Ground Pool	
WHITTLE WAY	**NEW LISTING**	$ 59,900
	Pretty Townhome 2 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Sprinkler System in Front	
BELAIRE	Pretty Home 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Move In Condition!	$ 57,000
AMIGO	**NEW LISTING**	$ 56,000
	Absolutely Gorgeous! 3 bd-1.5 ba-2 liv-In Move-In Condition	
ROOSEVELT	Updated! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great 1st-Time Home	$ 54,000
WADLEY	**NEW LISTING**	$ 54,000
	Great 2-Story Condo 2 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Plantation Shutters	
RIC	Great Family Home 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Corner Fireplace	$ 52,000
CUTHBERT	Great Beginner 3 bd-2ba-1 liv-Fresh Paint	$ 48,500
ROOSEVELT	**NEW LISTING**	$ 47,000
	One-Owner Home 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Rooms/Huge Closets	
STOREY	**NEW LISTING**	$ 44,900
	Handyman's Special! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Brick & Windows	
SPRABERRY	Needs T-L-C 3 bd-1.75 ba-2 liv-1 car gar	$ 43,000
CUTHBERT	Potential+ 4 bd-2 ba-Poss Owner Finance	$ 42,500
ILLINOIS	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
RIC	Cute Beginner Home 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Light & Bright	$ 39,900
PECAN	Cute 1st Time Home! 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Adorable	$ 31,000
GASTON	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
COLLEGE	Handyman Special! 3 Units-Investmt Possibilities	$ 25,000
TYLER	Priced to Sell 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-"As-Is"	$ 7,000

SUBURBAN PROPERTIES

CARDINAL	One-of-a-Kind! 4 bd-3.5 + 5 ba-2 liv-Gst Hse	$ 190,000
S. CO RD 1200	Fine Country Living! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv	$ 190,000
TATTENHAM	City/Country 4 bd-2.5+ 5 ba-3 liv-Good Access	$ 154,900
S. CO RD 1128	Greenwood 4 bd-2.5 ba-Swafford Resale	$ 154,500
S. CO RD 1065	Horse Lover's Delight! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv	$ 148,000
S. CO RD 1128	**NEW LISTING**	$ 144,900
	Greenwood 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Blt 1996-Wonderful Home-Seq Mstr	
E. CO RD 109	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
S. CO RD 1200	Roomy 4 bd-3 ba-Wrkshp-Approx 3.01 Ac	$ 129,900
E. CO RD 98	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
S. HWY 349	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
W. CO RD 130	Great Property 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-17+Ac-More	$ 83,500
ROBIN	/Odessa/ Approx 1 Ac 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-4+Car Gar	$ 79,900
W. CO RD 150	Approx 3/4 Ac Fenced 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv	$ 73,000
E. CO RD 105	**NEW LISTING**	$ 69,900
	Greenwood/3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Light/Bright-Well Kept Home-Approx .5 Ac	
W. CO RD 50	**UNDER CONTRACT**	
E. CO RD 58	Grnwd Schools! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Approx .42 Ac	$ 45,900
E. CO RD 145	**NEW LISTING**	$ 45,000
	Cute & Clean! 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Circle Drive/Horse Stalls-Large Trees	
S. CO RD 1184	Huge Mstr Bdrm 2 bd-2 ba-Approx .5 Ac	$ 42,900
E. CO RD 83	.....Cute/Clean 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Approx .5 Ac	$ 31,500

OPEN HOUSES TODAY



1:00 - 3:00 P.M.
3409 Northfield
$149,000
Very pretty Light-Bright Large Backyard Great Curb Appeal! 4 bdrm-3 baths-2 liv Formal Dining Fireplace



1:00 - 3:00 P.M.
5112 Rio Grande
$88,446
New Whitehead Construction Model Home - 4 bdrm-2 baths-1 liv Lots of Room Fireplace Formal Dining & Breakfast Bar



2:00 - 4:00 P.M.
5002 Chapel Hill
$125,000
Large Rooms Lots of Storage 3 bdrm-2.5 baths-2 liv Skylights Two Fireplaces Sequestered Master Sprinklers



2:30 - 4:00 P.M.
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HAMBY	.....12 Lots	$ 1,500 ea	**N. CR 1140**	....+/-13.42 Ac	$ 20,130
WALNUT LN	....2 Blocks	$ 3,500 ea	**CHERRYWOOD**	....Corner	$ 24,000
E. CO RD 60	... +/-2 Acres	$ 3,500	**W. ILLINOIS**	.....2Lots-PD	$ 25,000
ALAMO DR	.....2 Lots	$ 4,500 ea	**N. CR 1130**	.....+/-25 Ac	$ 30,000
GARDEN LN	.....2 Blocks	$ 4,500 ea	**E. CR 1090**	....**Greenwood**	$ 34,400
BOWIE DR	' Lot	$ 4,500	**MIDLAND**	.....+/-3.34 Ac	$ 85,000
MARK LN	.....2 Lots	$ 6,000 ea	**WHITMAN**	.....+/-11 Ac	$ 130,000
E. CR 110	..... **UNDER CONTRACT**		**W. CR 2950**	.....Martin Co	$ 220,000
S. CR 1065	..Mob. Hm. Ok	$ 14,000	**E. LOOP 250 N**	...+/-65 Ac	$ 1,300,000

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CR 1182 S	Ridge Heights, 3/ br2/ba plus studio/guest qtrs, stables, barn, 3.22 acres	$118,500
CR 109 E	Judy Lane, Great Greenwood home! Behind schools-3 br/2 ba/2 la	$95,500
PRESTON	3 br/2 5 ba townhouse. Immaculate condition	$81,500
WHITNEY	3 br/2 ba/2 car gar. Much new, Southwestern design, sloped roof	$72,500
ROOSEVELT	4 br/3 ba/2 la. Large sequestered master, lots of room	UC
CR 118 W	Super clean 2 br/2 ba mobile home on 2 acres	$35,000
MARIANA	Great investment opportunity. 4 duplexes w/2 br/ ba	$21,000 to $23,000
COMMERCIAL LEASE ON LOOP 250	Downstairs w/5000 sq ft	$1875/mo

SENSATIONAL HOMES OVER $100,000

S HWY 349	31.2 ac land with 2 houses	$250,000
E CO RD 120	3 br/2 ba, 2 la, fp, pool, barns, pens, orchards & more	$210,000
	Owner will sell main residence & orchard on 4 acres for	$172,500
NEELY	Colonial 2-story 5+ br. Large pool, cabana, brick floors	$199,500
CHESLEY CT.	4 br/3 ba/3 car gar, landscaped w/ sprink., gourmet kit	REDUCED! $179,00
DAVENTRY	Lovely 4 br/3 ba/2 car gar. Quality everywhere	UC
S CO RD 1130	Lots of new in this 3 br/2 ba/2 la/2 fp & 3 car gar - 2.63 ac	$169,900
E CO RD 120	2 story office bldg. Corner Rankin Hwy	$150,000
CO RD 1265	Immaculate country home - 3 br/2 ba/2 car gar, fp	$150,000
HIGHLAND	T. Hunt new const. 4 br/3 ba, seq. guest quart. Open kitchen & den	$145,000
W CO RD 56	Superior 3 br/2 ba/2 la/2 car gar, huge workshop, 3 ac.	REDUCED! $139,500
LANHAM	Luxury new M. Jackson Patio Home, 3 br/2.5 ba/3 car gar	SOLD
QUAIL POINT	Desirable Patio Home w/3 br/2.5 ba/2 car gar, huge la & fp	$129,900
PARKHURST	Super 3 or 4 br & 3 ba with great SHOP! Won t last long!	$126,500
CLAREMONT	Spacious 4 br with pool & nearly 2500 sq. ft.	REDUCED! $121,500
WEDGEWOOD	Superb TH, low maintenance yard, like new!!	REDUCED! $112,000
RICHMOND	3 br/2 ba/2 la-Lots of updates and amenities-Home Warranty	$114,500
S CO RD 1315	Awesome split level home! Amenities galore. 5+br/3.5 ba/2 fp	$112,000
GARFIELD	Splish splash into summer - 4 br/3 ba, extra large master	$112,000
LANHAM	Duplex -ea. unit has 3 br/2 ba, superb property	$110,000
DURANT	Spacious 3 br/ 2ba/2 la w/ bonus rm sec. sys, 2 half ba in Kimber-Lea	$105,000
GODFREY	Precious 3 br/2 ba immaculate home in Skyline Terrace	$105,000

TERRIFIC VALUES UNDER $100,000

E CO RD 110	GREENWOOD SCHOOLS - 3 br/2 ba on 2 acres. Fenced and cross fenced with three stall barn	$98,500
EDGEMONT	4 br/2 ba, seq. master. Lots of new, corner lot	UC
NORTH L	Beautiful 4 br/2 ba/3 la with lots of storage. Very well maintained	$94,500
LANHAM	Beautiful 4 br/3 ba with tall shade trees. New Corporate listing	SOLD
NEELY	Like new 4 br/2 ba, fp, 2 car gar, great yard. NO GRASS!	$89,500
CR 39 W	Peaceful country living-4 br/2 ba/2 car garage,plus large workshop	$88,250
GREEN TREE BLVD	Updated-great area-a golfers bungalow-3br/2 ba/2 car gar	SOLD
PRINCETON	Beautifully updated 3 br/2 ba/2 la, 2 car gar,large lot & w well	REDUCED $79,900
FANNIN	3 br/2 ba, fp, new kitchen cabinets, unusual floor plan-	REDUCED! $79,500
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NORWOOD	Town home 2 br/2 ba. Spacious floor plan. Home Owners Warr.	$74,900
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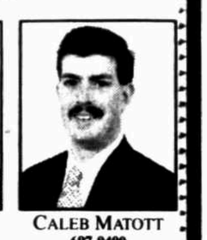
DENGAR	4 br/2 ba/2 la w/pool & game room. Great floor plan!	SOLD
WESTWIND	Townhouse with 2 br/2 ba/2 car-gar , new paint, new carpet	SOLD
OHIO	3 br/2 ba/2 la with some updates OWNER WILL ACCEPT OFFERS!	$64,500
MCDONALD	Great location! 3 br/2 ba/2 la/ gar, fp, bright kitchen, skylights	SOLD
CRENSHAW	Very nice 3 br/ 2 ba/2 car gar, fp. Closing cost pd on full price offer.	UC
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ERIE	Sparkling clean 3 br/2 ba/1 car gar, central heat/ac	$44,500
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BAIRD	Duplex- great investment property. Will sell as package for	$41,750
BAIRD	3 br/2 ba/2 car garage	$41,000
CANYON	Super updated 3 br/2 ba all new in & out	UC
SENTINEL	3 br/2 ba, open kitchen & living area. Good investment	UC
JEFFERSON	3 br/2 ba/2 car gar, workshop. Owner financing avail.	$33,500
HOLMSLEY	3 br/2 ba/2 la, large room, close to town	SOLD
KENTUCKY	4 br/2 ba converted duplex	$32,000
KEITH	Charming older home, 3 br/2 ba/2 car-carport. Large front porch	$31,900
SYCAMORE	2 br/1 ba/2 la. Great starter home!	$29,500
BAIRD	DUPLEX -Investment property, 2 br/2 ba/1 liv area	$29,500
BECKLEY	2 br/1 ba-Recent updating. New exterior paint	$29,500
CO RD 57	2 br/1 ba sits on 7 ac with storage	$29,150
PARK LANE	Darling 2 br dollhouse, neat & clean, good location	UC
BRUNSON	2 br/1 ba, steel siding/new paint	$27,500
HOLLOWAY	2 br/1 ba, with exceptional potential. Great investment!	$27,560
HILL AVE	2 br/1 ba/2 la, workshop/garage	$26,595
THOMAS	2 br/2 ba, Handyman special	$24,000
E CR 1159	-Mobile home lots, 1 acre tracts, w/ septic & water well Starting at	$8,000-$14,000
BRUNSON	4 duplexes w/1 br/1 ba REDUCED to $11,600.	REDUCED! $11,800
BAIRD	DUPLEX - 1 br/1 ba - investment property	$12,250
NEW YORK	Great investment for only	SOLD

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E. HIGHWAY 80	(3.0 acres) -	$12,000
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W. SHANDON	Three lots ea	$2,950
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UNDER CONTRACT:

4117 Radcliff $198,500
2100 Bradford $174,900
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4823 Ric $55,000

NEW LISTINGS:

4008 Batbrook $263,000
3504 Trinity Meadows $179,000
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4 OR MORE BEDROOMS

Island Dr $449,900
5 bedrooms plus library. Fabulous Mark Payne resale on the lake. All the amenities plus lovely,pool + spa. For private showing, please call Donna Pehl 697-0490.

Rustic Trail ..... Reduced $419,900
DREAMY 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.

Baybrook Ct $349,000
James Morris new construction. 4 1/2 baths, 3 living, built-ins, ample storage, awaits your personal touch! Always call Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Baybrook-New Listing $263,000
4 bdrm, 3 1/2 baths, large master w/FP, Jacuzzi tub, fabulous kitchen w/ice maker, dbl. oven, trash compactor, plus more. 3 car garage w/8x10 workshop. Call Sam 699-2163.

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Fantastic 5 bedroom, 2 s[U/C] view, located on Lake. Totally redecorated, pool & spa. Call Ruth Young 682-7884.

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Townhome living in Grandridge Park by Tom Woodruff. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, formal, lots of brick tile - country French style. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Heartland-EXQUISITE $215,800
5 bedroom beauty, 3 car garag[U/C]areas, formal dining, stunning decor, HURRY and call Ruth Young 682-7884 or 697-1217.

N. "L" -OWNER FINANCE, LEASE, LEASE/PURCHASE $215,000
OFFERS Requested Seller willing w/10% down to owner finance, or lease $1700/mo. on this Super Warwick redo. 5BR, 3 1/2 BA, 2 LA, 3 garage. Sandy Scott 684-0370.

Chesley $208,500
4 bedroom, plus study, 2 living areas, 3 baths, cul-de-sac, light, clean, spacious, three car garage. Call Ruth Young at 682-7884.

Radcliff Ct $198,500
Stunning, spacious Mark Pa[U/C]bedroom, 3 bath, 2 living areas, sequestered master w/double sided fireplace, private courtyard, 3 car garage, like new. Hurry - Sandy Scott 684-0370 or 686-8323.

Edgebrook $198,000
Bates Resale-better than new, sequestered master, in-law plan, built-ins, xtra large lot, 2 living areas. Call Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Ashwood $188,900
New construction by Tom Woodruff in Grasslands - 4 bedrooms, 2 living areas, formals, pick your colors now - scheduled complete May 1998. Call Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Hillcrest-New on Market $181,500
Tom Woodruff personal h[U/C]great bedrooms, fabulous kitchen overlooking family room. Large breakfast area, island, separate formal dining, formal living room, courtyard style patio. Call Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Trinity Meadows-New Listing $179,900
4 bedrooms plus (game room), 3 baths, large kitchen/breakfast area, lots of cabinets, 2 living areas, formal dining, 3 car garage, covered patio, pool & hot tub, sequestered master bedroom. Call Sam House.

Sequoia $179,900
Beautiful pool, hot tub, 4 BD, 2 LA, skylights, breakfast nook and bar. Call Marilyn Jo.

Bradford $174,900
Immaculate home in Polo Pa[U/C], 3 BA, 2 LA, 2 fireplaces, hardwood floors and fabulous landscaping. Call Marilyn Jo.

Heartland-Owner Wants Offer $171,500
4 bed, 3 ba, 3 car garage. Sp[U/C]Clean. Cul-de-sac, huge front porch, den has lovely built-ins. Please call Ruth Young 682-7884.

Green Tree-Reduced Again- OFFERS PLEASE! $169,900
Elegant Green Tree home w/3400+ sq. ft.! 2 fireplaces, 2 living areas, 2 dining areas, 5 baths & fabulous pool! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Grassland Estates ..... Just Reduced $169,500
Fabulous 4/3 with 2 living [U/C]s study. Tons of builder extras + neighborhood clubhouse & po[U/C]

Cherrywood $165,000
New 4 bdrm home by Lee Evans. Call Clemmie.

Trinity Meadows $159,900
Great Property. 4 bedroo[SOLD]formal dining. Call Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

Grassland-New Construction $159,900
4/3 with 2 living areas, 2 sided fireplace, wood shades, jacuzzi tub & much much more. Call Anita.

Greentree Country Club $159,000
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.

Coventry Lane $158,500
Stunning executive home in Polo Park. 4 BD, 3 baths, 2 living areas, formal & breakfast dining rooms. Hardwood & tiled floors, 1 block from Polo Park pool! Cal Denise Underwood 697-1799.

Cherrywood-Reduced $155,000
New contruction in Briarwood. Light & bright. Call Clemmie.

Grassland-New Construction $154,500
Has 4 bedrooms, beautiful kitchen w/built-in desk, large rooms, wood blinds, full landscaped. Call Anita.

Dartmouth-5 Bedrooms $153,500
Wonderful cul-de-sac location. 5 large bedrooms, mother-in-law suite also great for gameroom, separate formal dining, 2 living areas, tiled kitchen, 3 car garage plus extra parking. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Polo Park $149,900
Grand kitchen & breakfast [U/C]bedroom great for a study, 3 full baths, 3 car garage, lovely inside & [U/C]sk for Larry & Debbie Hatfield.

Terra Ct. $147,900
Rasnick Resale in mint condition - 3 baths, open & bright, excellent storage, plantation shutters, security system. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Learmont $145,000
5 BDRM, 3 BA, 2 living areas, formal dining, Berber carpet, recently remodeled kitchen, corner lot, circle drive, sprinkler system. Beautiful home! Call Sam House 699-2163.

Polo Park $142,900
Gorgeous. 4/3 w/hardwood floors and all the extras. Fresh paint & carpet, sequestered master, wet bar. Call Anita.

Frost Place $142,500
Now Under Construction! Wonderful spacious 4 bedroom, 3 bath plan with nice nice amenities. Corner lot over 2400 sq. ft. in great location. Ready April 15th. Call Sandy Scott 684-0370 or 686-8323.

Melville $138,500
Get Ready to pick your colors in this 4 bed, 2.5 bath, sequestered master - Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 - 682-8820.

Hereford $136,500
A super 4 bedrooms, 3 baths - 2 dining areas - well maintained, pool & club house. Call Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 - 682-8820.

Crestwood $135,500
Stunning property! 4 bed, 3 ba, sequestered master & mother-in law suite. Lots of updates & wonderful shop. A "Must see" property! VICTORIA PRINTZ 689-4800.

Melville $129,000
Great plan - 4 bedrooms [SOLD]car garage - sequestered master, don't miss this one - call Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 - 682-8820.

Hermitage Ct. $128,900
A must see. A superb 4 BD, 3 BA with fireplace. Seq. master and in-law plan, high ceilings, bookcases, wet bar. Too many amenities to list. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Monticello ..... Reduced $128,500
Elegant custom - 4 bedroom - 2 living - plus sun room - island kitchen - wonderful. FRESH PAINT. Call Jo 683-1425.

Hereford $127,750
Wonderful four bedroom, 2.5 baths, one living area, covered patio, located in Grassland. Call Mary Jo Drury - 684-4268 - 682-8820.

Grassland Estates-New on Market $124,900
Hurry to see! Immaculate & [U/C]ndition! Sequestered master, separate tub & shower, walk-in closets, [U/C]chen, high ceilings, loads of windows. Fantastic Price!! Ask for Larry or Debbie 689-7758.

Reo Drive $124,000
Large 4 bdrm, 3 bath, 2 liv. areas, call Clemmie.

King Richards Row $123,500
New 4 bedroom, 3 bath in Greenhill Terrace. Call Deborah 520-2112.

Whittle Way $123,000
4 bedroom beauty with wor[U/C]mmie Sorge.

Bishops Castle $120,000
Super 4 BD, 2 BA, 2 LA, 2 fireplaces, seq. master, custom window treatments and much more. Call Marilyn Jo.

Emerson $120,000
See this super spacious and well maintained 4 bd, 2 ba, 3 LA. This home has high ceilings, bookcases and is in great location. Call Marilyn Jo.

Caldera-New Listing $114,000
Vista West - 4 bedroom, 3 bath, immaculate. Call Jo Braden.

Pinemont-New Listing $112,000
4 bedroom, 3 bath, New Construction by Frazier - call Deborah 520-2112.

Claremont $112,000
Light, and bright - 4 bedrooms, two baths, cul-de-sac. Call Mary Jo Drury - 684-4268 - 682-8820.

Sundown Circle--Vista West $109,500
4 bedroom, 3 bath, formal [U/C]de-sac, wonderful. Call Jo Braden.

Hoya $108,000
Watch this one being built! 4/2 with jacuzzi tub, formal dining, window coverings. Pick your wallpaper now!

Dalton-PATIO HOME $105,000
Fireplace, 4 BD, 2 BA, 2 LA, [U/C]patio, storage shed. Call Marilyn Jo.

Dentcrest $105,000
Newly constructed on cul-de-sac in Fairmont Park. Call Deborah Pierce 520-2112.

Goddard Place $104,900
2 fireplaces, 2 living [SOLD]ent cul-de-sac location plus Home Warranty! Call Donna [illegible] 697-0490.

Teahead $101,000
2 living areas, low maintenance yard, parking pad. Call Clemmie.

Princeton $98,900
Fabulous 4 bd, 2 ba home w/study, pool, sport court, large yard & guest house! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Dentcrest $96,500
4 bdrms, formal dining, like new - Call Clemmie.

St. Andrews - Reduced $92,000
Fabulous 4 BR with 3 baths, country kitchen with loads of cabinets, formal dining, Berber carpet, Darling. Ask for Larry or Debbie 689-7758.

Hyde Park $89,500
Tons of space, 4BD, [SOLD]closets, recent paint & carpet, large living, 2 CG, call Sam [illegible]-2163.

Stanton $85,000
A RARE FIND! 4 bedrooms, [U/C], 2 living areas, formal dining, loads of storage, recent updates, circle drive, trees. Call Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Kansas-COME SEE THE CHANGE $83,500
4 bedroom - charm, hardwood floors - water well - workshop & garage with loft & work area. Recent carpet & paint. Call Jo today.

Preston $79,900
Impeccable Townhouse w/4BD, 2 BA, 2 LA, double fireplace. Low maintenance with loads of features. Must see! Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Shell-Great New Price $82,000
You will be surprized "How [U/C]4 BR is, Gorgeous yard, decked area w/hot tub - formals & huge lovely den. Ask for joyce 682-3191.

Roosevelt $59,900
Unbelievable 4 BD, 2.5 BA home with 2 living areas, security system, RO & more. Call Victina Printz 689-4800.

"A" Street Cutie! $57,900
4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas. Large fenced yard. 2 car garage. Call Joel Oldham at 689-9696 to see.

College-Reduced $25,000
Just drastically reduced for a quick sale. Home is on two lots and could be three rental properties. Call Kirk 682-8820.

3 OR LESS BEDROOMS

#14 Dunblane-Reduced $379,000
Spectacular custom on 2.5 acres w/over 4800 sq. ft.!! Pool, barn, shop, RV/Boat parking, kennels, aquarium room, 3 jacuzzis, and sauna! Victona Printz 689-4800.

Hwy. 176 ..... $250,000
Andrew's County. 3BR, 2B, 2 LA's, more than 250 acres, stg. buildings, security system, sprinkler, over 250 trees. Ruth Young at 682-7884.

Saddle Club North! $199,900
Prime location/Spectacular home on HUGE corner lot with pool, enclosed sunroom, 2 fireplaces. Call Anita.

Hackberry-Reduced $179,900
Fabulous remodel on the course! 3BD, 3 BA, 3 living, 2 dining & more! BRING OFFERS! Victona Printz 689-4800.

Quail Point $159,900
Immaculate 3 BD, 3 BA, patio home w/marble fireplace, soft water system, RO, open plan, beautiful!! Victona Printz 689-4800.

Stanolind-Reduced $147,000
Beautifully updated with wood floors, tumbled marble in kitchen. Faux painting, fully landscaped, lots of built-ins. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Driftwood - Reduced $10,000 ..... $139,000
What a BUY! Fantastic & on the course! Large bedrooms, fantastic master bath, island kitchen, formal dining, loads of windows, great view. Hurry! Call Larry or Debbie 689-7758.

Wallace Townhome ..... Reduced $128,500
Stunning updated 3BR, 2 1/2 BA, spacious townhome with so much redo in excellent condition. Sandy Scott 684-0370.

Princeton $120,000
Lots of room for living! 3BD, 2 BA, 2 fireplaces, central vacuum, garden room, lrg. hobby/shop. Call Sam 699-2163.

Princeton $120,000
3 bedroom, two bath, workshop. Huge master, two fireplaces. Owner financing available. Call Sam House.

Wedgewood $119,900
Nice custom patio hom[U/C]3 BA, 1 LA, study/office, separate formal dining, a sunroom and a hot tub outside. Call Marilyn Jo.

Reduced! Bermuda Ct. $117,500
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car rear entry garage. Home is under 2 years old. Lots of tile in kitchen. Formal dining, pretty yard.

Bellechasse $103,000
Large 3 bdrm, formal dining, in-ground pool. Clemmie Sorge.

Emerson $102,500
3 bedroom home in excellent condition - Mary Jo Drury 684-4268, 682-8820.

Bedford-Owner Finance $99,900
Fantastic! Circular drive plus 30x30 workshop! Dream kitchen with island, built-in desk, cunah countertops, butlers pantry, loaded with amenities. 3 BR 2 1/2 baths. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

King Richards Row $97,500
Green Hill Terrace at it's b[U/C]! 3BR, sequestered master, spacious den, dream kitchen plus formal dining. Hurry! Call Sandy Scott 684-0370.

Shandon-Tile Floors $97,500
Pool, workshop. Fannin School area.

Winfield $97,500
So much space - Great loction & quality - workshop. Call Jo.

Michigan-Non-Qualifying $94,900
Charming & roomy 3/2 with over 2675 sq. ft. plus guest house with kitchen, bath, fireplace! Victona Printz 689-4800.

Old Midland ..... Reduced $94,900
Superb! Master bedroom with wonderful bath. 3 baths, 3BR, 2 living areas. WORKSHOP! Beautiful landscaping. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Dyer Circle - Reduced $94,500
Gorgeous landscaping, [SOLD]ed papers, double yard with dog run, oustanding pantry. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Canemont $89,900
Charming 3BD, 2 BA with separate formal dining, great kitchen w/breakfast nook. Located in Fairmont Park.

Stanolind-New Listing $89,900
Fabulous home in c[SOLD]od, 2 bath, 2 living, this is the one you've been waiting for. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Lehigh-Reduced $89,500
High ceilings, skylights, 2 marvelous baths, oversized rooms are just a few of the features found here. Hurry to see! Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Chinaberry $87,900
Nearly 1 acre. Fantastic! Tiled country kitchen w/large breakfast area, great bedrooms w/walk-in closets, formal dining, 2 1/2 baths, Berber carpet, loads of windows. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Idlewilde - By Bush Elementary ..... Reduced $87,900
4 yrs. old - just like new. 2 baths, formal dining, vaulted den ceiling, fireplace, home warranty. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Imperial $87,500
Wonderful three bedroom, [U/C]throom home. Close to Lee High school. Some features include f[illegible]g areas, enclosed patio, bonus room and auto sprinkler system. Call Kirk to see.

Phillip Place ..... Reduced $85,000
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large kitchen/dining area. Recent carpet & exterior paint. High efficiency AC, water softener. Sprinkler system. X-large backyard w/gazebo. Cul-de-sac. Call Sam 699-2163.

North "I" $84,900
Comfortable, well car[SOLD]large rooms & recreation - sized backyard. So much new. Call Karen Czech 685-4028.

Wydewood-Reduced- Reduced $84,500
Formal dining, 3 bedroom - open plan - seq. master, sunroom. Call Jo Braden.

"B" St. - Fall Into This $83,000
Wonderful 3 BD, 2 BA home with a great home office. Located in "Peaceful Old Midland" location. Call Marilyn Jo.

Falcon Place $82,500
Super Northgate [U/C]-de-sac, well customized 3 bedroom, 2 bath with just completed [illegible]room addition. Clayton 682-9494 H.

Walk Across The Street $81,900
to LHS from this very well kept 3 bedroom home with family room, fireplace, formal dining, two car garage. Wonderful workshop.

Neely $79,900
Fabulous 3 bd, 2 ba home in Fannin area. 2 living, 2 dining, lots of extras! Call Victona Printz 689-4800.

Neely $79,900
3 bed, 2 ba, 2 living areas close to Lee & Rusk.

Harvard - Reduced! $79,900
Super home, totally redone in great location. 3BR, 2BA, 2 living areas - 2 car carport. Hurry. Call Sandy Scott 684-0370.

Preston $77,500
Wonderful three bedroom [U/C]al dining room, large living room, sprinkler system, water softener, RO system and located in Bush Abel School distrnct. Call Kirk.

W. Louisiana $75,000
Cute 3/2 dollhouse in "Old Midland" has hardwood floors, large indor utility. Huge trees in yard, within walking distance to park. Call Anita.

Wydewood $75,000
Non-Qualifying Loan. 3 b[U/C]baths. Call Deborah 520-2112.

Downing - Reduced! $74,900
Outstanding home with recei[SOLD]spring, high ceilings, low maintenance yard - super buy! Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

1 OWNER HOME $74,900
Well maint. roof [U/C]994. 3 BD, 2 BA, wonderful kitchen, professionally landscaped. Quiet location. Call Marilyn Jo.

Neely $73,900
Nicethree bedroom, two bath h[SOLD]ng areas and an oversized two car garage. Call Kirk for your private showing - 682-8820.

Mark Lane $73,500
Something Special describes this home with 3 BD, wet bar, built-in bookshelves and brick patio. Call Marilyn Jo.

Cascade $72,500
This immaculate 3 BD, 2 BA home is light & bright w/high ceilings and cozy fireplace. Open spacious plan on cul-de-sac. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Lanham-Reduced $72,500
Exceptional three bedr[U/C]throom patio home with no grass to mow! Recently new air cond[illegible]r and water heater. Cul-de-sac location adds peace and quiet.

Spartan $69,950
Price Slashed! Home with over 2000sf. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, "Great" room, tile & fireplace. Call Clayton 682-9494.

W. Louisiana $69,900
Updated with new floonng, countertops, paint, move-in ready, enjoy the in-ground pool. call Clemmie.

Ainslee $69,900
2 baths, formal dining & large backyard with workshop. Vinyl plank hardwood throughout. Carpeted bedrooms. Call Karen Czech 685-4028.

Wedgewood-Reduced $69,900
WOW 3/2 so much updating, open plan, huge yard - it's Great! Call Donna 697-0490.

Whitney Drive ..... Reduced Again!$69,500
Great home w/open plan, updated flooring, tile counters, large rooms & great trees!! Super buy. Priced to sell. Call today to see! Victona Printz 689-4800.

Douglas Ave $69,500
In the heart of old Midland! Cute, well conditioned 3 BR, 2 BA home with hardwood floors, kitchen island, skylights, ceiling fans, etc. Call Clayton 682-9494 (H).

Ojibwa-New on Market $67,500
1 Owner custom 3BR, se[U/C]master. Fabulous kitchen, immaculate! This will go quick. Call Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Boyd-Non-Qualifying $66,500
Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living area home plus 2 car garage. Newly painted and seller is offering a $2,500 carpet allowance. Call Sandy Scott 684-0370.

Pueblo $65,000
Updated 3 bdrm, firepla[U/C]seq. master, large lot. Call Clemmie.

Terrace - Reduced - OFFERS PLEASE! $65,000
A Real Doll House! A really large den plus separate liv. rm. 3 BR-2BA-2 gar! joyce brickey 682-3191.

Wadley $64,800
New Listing. 3 bedroom, [U/C], tile floors. Call Jo Braden.

Baumann $62,500
Bright living [Sold]place - corner lot - covered patio - 3 bedrooms - 2 baths - walk-in [illegible] a real super home - Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 or 682-8820.

Laura $62,500
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, lots of square footage for the money. Don't miss this one. Mary Jo 684-4268.

Princeton $59,900
Neat as a pin. 3BR, 2 BA, 1 LA, study, corner fireplace, rear entry detached 2 car garage. Call Marilyn Jo.

Graceland $59,900
Large home w/2 living areas, tile workshop, fireplace. Call Clemmie.

Stanton $59,900
Loads of cabinets in this fantastic kitchen. Cozy den, great bedrooms, cute, cute, cute. Talk to Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Baumann $59,500
A super neat home - 3 [U/C]2 baths, large living area, ref. air, sprinkler system, great trees. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 - 682-8820.

Ohio-NEW LISTING! $58,900
Absolutely darling w/gorgeous carpeting 3BR/2BA, 2 living area, updated from top to bottom + great workshop! Call Quick onthis one 682-3191 - joyce brickey.

Crenshaw $57,500
Spacious 3/2 in quiet, established neighborhood has large living area w/corner fireplace, indoor utility, 2 full baths, no bkyd neighbors. Call Anita!

Stoneybrook $56,900
Darling 3 bd, 2 ba home in perfect condition. Workshop that any dad would love! Call Victona Printz 689-4800.

Eisenhower $56,500
Spectacular 3 bedroom, 2 [Sold]high ceilings, sautillo tile, 2 car garage, workshop. Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Ric-NEW LISTING $55,000
Fabulous 3BR/2BA/2 ga[U/C]high ceilings, fans, lg. master suite, call joyce brickey 682-3191.

Melton Alley $52,500
Great townhouse: no y[U/C]rooms. Call Clemmie.

Watson Ct. $49,900
Super buy in Fairway Park! Darling 3 bed, 2 bath, large yard, cul-de-sac. Seller is anxious! Victona Printz 689-4800.

Mercedes $49,900
Pretty home, lots of updating. Call Clemmie.

W. Illinois $45,000
Large 3 bedroom with fireplace, walking distance to schools. Call Clemmie.

Bedford $45,000
A trip or two to the hardware store and thin 3-2-2 will shine! Open living area, good BR space, mature neighborhood. Clayton Alexander 682-8820.

Cute 3 Bedroom-New Listing $42,500
2 baths, on corner lot. Call Lavonne Johnson 694-0444.

Humble- Reduced $39,900
3 bed, 2 bath, darling hom[Sold]ighborhood. Lots new in last 5 years! Call Victona Printz 689-4800.

Boyd-Reduced $39,900
Cute! Large living area, nice bedrooms. Call Larry or Debbie Hatfield 689-7758.

Checotah $36,500
What a find! Walk in closets [U/C]rooms, large living area with fireplace. Built-in china cabinet, darling kitchen. Immaculate! Ask for Larry or Debbie 689-7758.

Cunningham $36,000
Darling 3 bd, 1.5 bath, new carpet & vinyl. NQ assumption - low equity, few years! Call Victona Printz 689-4800.

Pleasant $35,000
Unbelievable at this price. [U/C]using program would finance this 3 bed, 2 ba, huge kitchen, corner lot, please call Ruth Young 682-7884.

1109 S. Camp $32,000
Lovely starter home or investment property. Call Clemmie.

Howard Dr $29,900
Show this home to your picky buyer and your investors. Neat and clean: 3 bedrooms,1 bath. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 or 682-8820.

E. New Jersey $28,000
Live in a Fire Station! [U/C]nversion to 3 bedroom, 2 bath with huge garage - very large for the price. Call Bill Scott 682-8820.

Mariana $49,000
Duplex - Unit 412-2 BDRM, 1 B[U/C]2BDRM, 2 BA, covered carport. Income producer! Call Sam Hou[illegible]-2163.

Benhwood-Reduced $45,000
Darling Duplex: side "A" bed/1 bath & side "B" is 2 bed/1 bath w/fireplace. Covered pa[U/C]and storage on both! Great investment! Victona Printz 689-4800.

Dengar $44,900
Nice with 2 baths, great yard, RV pad, dog run, plus Home Warranty! Call Donna Pehl 697-0490.

Parker $31,900
Just like new! Cute 2BD, 2[U/C]ome w/central heat & air. Great house w/large fenced yard. Victona Printz 689-4800.

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W. CR 60 ..... $550,000
Superior equestnan facilities, pool, tennis courts, 2 guest houses, 4 garages, RV garage, 17 acres, open to offers. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Wichita: (Gardendale) ..... Reduced $495,000
Roomy 3 BD, 3 bath on 20 acre Pecan orchard, pool, barns, farm equip. & more! Not just a house - a lifestyle!! Victona Printz 689-4800.

8201 W. Co. Rd. 55 ..... $379,000
Spectacular custom on 2.5 acres w/over 4800 sq. ft.!! Pool, barn, shop, RV/boat parking, kennels, aquanum room, 3 jacuzzis and sauna! Victona Printz 689-4800.

W CR 56 (Edinburg) $329,900
Enjoy living in this spacious 5BR, 5BA, 4 LA, 2 fireplaces on 2.5 acres. Fabulous sequestered suite. Call Marilyn Jo.

W CR 54 ..... $265,000
Gleaming hardwood floors, gameroom, study, 4 bedrooms, 3 fireplaces, beautiful view of Midland skyline. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

W CR 58 ..... $235,000
Dream kitchen, exercise/hu[SOLD]ers. Texas-size home on 4-1/2 acres. Built in '93. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

N. Hwy. 349 ..... $189,000
A city home in the country where you can spread out - great barns, lovely 4 bedroom, 3 bath home - you will have to see it to believe it-Call Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 or 682-8820.

307 in Greenwood $175,000
Home high on hill + over 82 acres. For information ask for joyce brickey 682-3191.

E. Co. Rd. 103 ..... $165,000
A fabulous home! New construction. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 1 living area w/fireplace, formal dining, Berber carpet. Tons of cabinets & big closets. Pretty wallpapers. 3 car garage. Call Sam House 699-2163.

Rankin Highway $159,000
Beautiful 4 bedroom, 3 bath brick, only 8 years old! 17 acres included. Spotless, tasteful decor. Separate bedroom/office/studio and bath off garage. Call Billie 697-5545.

S. C.R. 1218 ..... $150,000
18 plus acres. 3BDRM, 2 1/2 BA, 2 living areas, study, fireplace, 2 car garage. Huge huge barn & stable. Airstrip nearby. Fenced, really nice home! Call Sam House 699-2163.

800 E. Co. Rd. 125 ..... $148,500
Like new, but cleaner! 4 BD, 2 [U/C], 4+ parking/RV Garage on 3 Ac. Ridge Heights. Shutters, bay w[illegible]ows, beamed cathedral ceiling. Circle Drive. Call Denise 697-1799.

Co. Rd. 1244 ..... $137,500
All fenced, barn w/stalls & oversized well house/tack room on 3.5 ac. 3BD, 2 1/2 BA, 2 LA, fireplace, breakfast bar. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

S. Co. Rd. 1082 ..... $129,900
Can be 3 or 4 bdrm home in Greenwood. New Construction. Call Clemmie.

Co. Rd. 1086 ..... $129,900
New Construction in Greenwood, lots of tile, great floorplan. Call Clemmie.

Co. Rd. 120 ..... $129,900
Great 2-story 5 bedroom or 4 plus study. Updated/pretty!! 3 acres with fenced area for animals. Call Marilyn Jo.

S. Co. Rd. 1127 ..... $119,900
3 bd, 3 ba, 2 story home w/wrap-around porch, sautillo tile, formal living & dining, plus large den. Call Victona Printz 689-4800.

E. Co. Rd. 109 ..... $112,900
Large sequestered master, 3 or 4 bedroom. Call Clemmie.

1300 E. Co. Rd. 130 ..... Reduced $108,900
Located on 2 1/2 acres, gorgeous new decor w/3+ bedrooms, 2400 sq. ft. barn/workshop/RV garage. Pecan producing orchard. Roses galore. Terrific piece of property. Call joyce brickey 682-3191.

Kniffen $105,000
Spacious 3 BR on 1.25 acres, 3 stall 15'x45' horse barn, 14'x28' workshop. Must see! Sandy Scott 684-0370.

S. Co. Rd. 1200 ..... $105,000
Lge. home updated, 4 AC, plus mobile home that is Leased. Call Clemmie.

E. Co. Rd. 130 ..... $95,000
Located on 2 acres, close to town, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, country kitchen. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Co. Rd. 109 ..... $93,500
Why Build? Great 4 bedroom (sequestered master), 2 bath, Greenwood home with landscaping, Window coverings. Sandy Scott 684-0370 or 686-8323.

E. Co. Rd. 109 ..... $92,500
1.5 year new 3/2 has custom touches everywhere: beautiful kitchen w/whitewashed cabinets, tile breakfast bar. Huge utility. Large bedrooms!

S. Hwy. 349 ..... $90,000
Four bedrooms, 2 bath, workshop, walk-in closets. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

Greenwood Acreage $89,000
Big Tract of Land. Call joyce brickey 682-3191.

Andrews Hwy $79,500
Formerly kitchen store & gift shop. Call Lavonne Johnson.

Co. Rd. 64 East $76,500
4 acres in Greenwood school distnct with a nice grey brick home. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas. Nice master bedroom, curved drive in front. Call Lavonne.

Morning Glory $50,000
Half with mobile home hook-up[U/C]Half with partially completed home - $35,000. Or - $50,000 for all. C[illegible]en Czech 685-4028.

4025 S. E. Co. Rd. 2000 ..... $45,000
3 bdrm, 2 bath on 2.5 acres in Andrews. Call Clemmie.

Co. Rd. 53 W $43,500
3 bedroom, barn, 91 acres. Call Jo Braden.

Co. Rd. 1140 N. $29,900
12.5 acres with 8 septics, 4 water wells, 6 mob. home spaces. Victona Printz 687-5636.

CR 58-McCarver subdivision. Between Midland and Odessa $25,000
5 acres, great location, paved road. Call Ruth Young at 682-7884.

908 W. 65th, Odessa $23,900
Bank forclosure ready for offers. Over 2,000 sq. ft. on acre. Vicky Garrett 570-8889 or 800-583-5923.

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Co. Rd. 1178 ..... $22,000
Pecan Orchard - approx. 3 acres. Sprinkler system. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

S. Co. Rd. 1218 ..... $21,500
10 acres, sandy soil. Call Clemmie.

Land $15,000
1.71 acres on Bedford. Call Ruth Young 682-7884.

Co. Rd. 2801 ..... $5,500
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OPEN 1-2
6700 WESTWIND — Roberta Aldridge — 398,000
Gorgeous Morris construction in Greentree. Fabulous amenities, great plan, beautiful decor.

OPEN 1-2:30
3615 W. MICHIGAN — Karen Mason — 63,500
Darling cottage in wonderful neighborhood close to schools & shopping. Special financing avail.
1603 NORTH B — Donna Omar — 127,500
You will have to see it to believe it! So much new and oh, so beautiful! Great guest house too!
#2 RIDGMAR — Laura Manulik — 139,900
Reduced $13,600 for a quick sale. Over 3100 sq. ft. Seq. guest room, located on cul-de-sac.

OPEN 1-3
3510 OHIO — Pat Paxton — 62,500
Nifty 3BR/2LA w/big workshop. Beautiful Pecan trees!
1909 WESTERN — Kathy Crowley — 95,000
Immaculate, spacious, 3/2; lots of updating, great workshop!
5014 BLUEBIRD BRANCH — Danny Norwood — 150,000
Sensational new construction by Kahler! Light, bright, spacious home on quiet cul-de-sac.
4905 THAMES CT. — RC (Skeet) Doss — 158,900
4/3/2 beauty w/open kitchen/den, formal living/dining, high ceilings. Very nice condition.

OPEN 1-3 (CONT.)
5507 SUNDANCE — Sandy J. Hanson, GRI — 164,900
TH style, small backyard; 4BR w/seq. master. FD could be study off master. Open & bright.

OPEN 1-4
4308 GLENEAGLES (Duplex) — Steven Weir — 225,000 (Both)
Sell both or separate. 3BR/2BA, downstairs in LA, kitchen, dining & BR & BA. 2-car garage.

OPEN 1:30-3
3110 TEALWOOD — Amy Johnson — 74,500
Low maintenance TH in quiet cul-de-sac. 2BR/2.5BA with tall ceiling and large living area.

OPEN 1:30-3:30
3507 BOYD — Needa Faught — 89,000
New construction. 2BR/2BA has such a wonderful open floor plan. Water sprinkler & small yd.

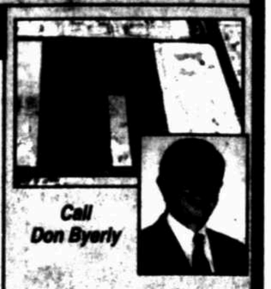
OPEN 2-3:30
1315 BRIGHTON — Sheila McKown — 139,000
Great corner house. Great character! 3BR/2.5BA w/nice sized backyard and great landscaping.

OPEN 2:30-3:30
4109 SPRINGFIELD — Roberta Aldridge — 199,000
4BR/2LA in popular Trinity West w/sparkling pool & lovely decor. Immaculate condition.

OPEN 3-4:30
4707 WILSHIRE — RC (Skeet) Doss — 53,000
3/2/1. New roof, doors, paint, A/C & heat, DW, shutters and the list goes on and on!
1204 WHITNEY — Karen Mason — 72,000
Easy living, almost patio-style 3BR home. New roof, new carpet, all repairs done. Come see!
2512 MAXWELL — Laura Manulik — 114,900
We are ready for you. New carpet, paint, landscaping, 4BR/2.5BA/2LA. Big pool.
3202 HIGHSKY — Donna Omar — 115,000
Lots of fresh paint and new flooring. Terrific pool! Price to sell quickly!

OPEN 3-5
2611 HUGHES — Jane Wolf — 92,000
14 trees! Updated 3/2 with incredible kitchen, huge living and sunroom plus office!
2904 ARROWHEAD TRAIL — Danny Norwood — 109,900
New listing w/hardwoods, new carpet, tile & paint. Immaculate home in mint condition!

OPEN 4-5
1605 McCLINTIC — Roberta Aldridge — 89,500
Darling 3BR in coveted "Old Midland". So pretty, so clean, so much new. Bonus room!


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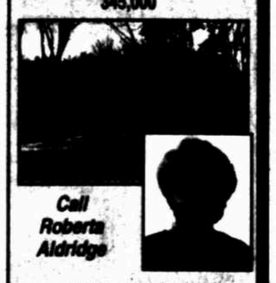
MISSION ESTATES-Incredible style, luxury and space. 5BR/4 1/2 BA, formals, den, gameroom, study and home gym. Stunning appointments, only recently completed **850,000**
COUNTRY CLUB-One of Midland's loveliest! Pool, cabana, exquisitely decorated. 4BR/5 baths, two offices **725,000**
TATTENHAM CORNER-Most exciting home on mkt! 5BR/6BA, 3+ acres, pool, incredible style, quality **475,000**
SADDLE CLUB ESTATES-Incredible home & guest house surrounding gorgeous pool & terraces. Gameroom basement, hobby room, exercise spa. It's all here! **450,000**
TRINITY DR-Spectacular custom in Trinity Estates! Huge house, huge yard **444,000**
WESTWIND-Fabulous Morris Construction in Green Tree - ready for your personal touch! Wonderful amenities **398,000**
CITATION-Incredible Saddle Cub North TH! Pool, spacious formals, huge den, 2BR tuest house. Lovely **345,000**
ISLAND-Contemporary custom in Green Tree North. Great for entertaining. 4BR/4BA w/pool **325,000**
L-Old Midland remodeled beauty, unique custom design, wonderful detail **299,000**
RUSTIC TRAIL-MR Lary custom home, on course, large private pool, very spacious rooms **295,000**
CANONERO-Saddle Club North TH. 4/4/office. Fabulous quality and space **295,000**
BAYBROOK-Beautiful plan, fabulous gourmet kitchen, immaculate condition, Bill Brown construction **278,000**
BAYBROOK-Fabulous 5BR, better-than-new Morris resale **269,900**
HUNTINGTON-Gorgeous, custom, one-owner home. Wonderfully maintained w/lush landscaping **249,500**
CHESLEY CT-Custom plan, 5BR/3BA, lots of upgrades, light & airy **229,500**
BASSWOOD-Victorian delight in Greentree. 4/4/3 w/huge playroom & study. Beautiful millwork **224,000**


Call Joanne Langston

CITATION
Incredible Saddle Club North TH! Pool, spacious formals, huge den, 2BR guest house.
345,000

$100,000-$200,000...A WONDERFUL GROUP OF BEAUTIFUL HOMES, YOU'LL WANT TO SEE!

SEABOARD-Classical Revival with tall white columns plus big oval porch **189,000**
AUBURN-Absolutely smashing TH w/pool, 4/4, 2 living, seq. guest suite, Saltillo tile, hi ceilings **189,000**
CUTHBERT-Open, custom designed home, updated, 4BR/3BA, pool- EXTRAS! **175,000**
WELLINGTON-Hold onto you hats - this 4BR in Polo Park is terrific **174,900**
OAKLAWN-Classy address, Classic 2 BR TH, separate office across patio **185,000**
COUNTRY CLUB-Old Midland 5BR/4BA with pool/cabana, remodeled in 1994. A must see **170,000**
STANOLIND-Simply beautiful MaMar 4BR w/pool **169,900**
SUNDANCE CT-Grasslands - TH. 4BR/3BA + study + 2LA. Versatile floor plan. **164,900**
WINCHESTER CT-Lush & lovely TH w/pool newly refurbished 4BR or 3+ study. Don't Miss **164,900**
TEAKWOOD TRACE-Immaculate, "On the Course", gourmet kitchen, luxurious master, 4BR/3BA/2LA **161,500**
TRINITY MEADOWS-4BR/5BA/2LA/3-garage inTrinity Meadows. Excellent condition - wonderful price **159,900**
THAMES CT-Traditional in Polo Park! 4BR/3BA, ope kit/den/breakfast. Tall ceilings, super condition **158,900**
SPARTAN-Need 5 garages? 3+ yr. old TH/patio style 4/3/1, low maintenance, metal siding **151,000**
BLUEBIRD BRANCH-Kahler construction underway. 4BR/2BA off Bluebird in quiet cul-de-sac **150,000**
RIDGMAR-Updated, beautiful home, care-free yard, large rooms and bath **144,900**
BRIGHTON-Beautiful 3BR/2BA w/corner location. Lovely landscaping with extra parking **139,000**
MABERRY-Spacious w/low maintenance, 3BR/2BA/2LA, formal dining. Lots of new **134,500**
TEAKWOOD TRACE-Simple elegance, carpet, ceramic tile, AC, 3BR/2.5BA/2-car garage, recent paint **132,000**
HARVARD-Patio style 4/3/2 plus 2-garage, shop w/overhead door & covered parking for 4-5 cars **129,900**
PINE MEADOW-4BR/2.5BA/2LA in Meadowpark. Spacious room and double-sided fireplace **129,900**
BERMUDA-Incredible space. 4BR/3BA/2LA, hot tub w/separate room, wet bar, large master **128,900**
B-Simply stunning! Completely updated, tons of living area, great guest house. **127,500**
PRINCETON-Country living - City convenience. Guest house w/FP, 2.5 acres, hardwood floors **125,000**
PINE-Elegant 3BR Wallace TH - first time on market **125,000**
FAIRVIEW LANE-Extra large 4BR/3BA in Plantation Hills in excellent condition **123,500**
GODFREY-A must see....wonderful large 4BR, 3BA, pool, sauna room, bonus room & much, much more **120,000**
PECAN-New Listing! Nice TH in Highland Park. Open, spacious plan. Must see **119,500**
HIGHSKY-Pretty pool, spacious rooms, loads of new in great area **115,000**
PRINCETON-Country living in the city! Spacious home on 3.19 acres, over 600 sf workshop **114,999**
MAXWELL-Pool at this price! Plus 4 big bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths close to everything **114,900**
SPRING MEADOW-Super 4BR/2 1/2 BA, 2 FP, study, townhouse, excellent condition, tasteful decor **112,000**
ARROWHEAD-Smashing, immaculate, totally updated 4BR home - you'll love it **109,900**
CRESTGATE-Cozy & inviting, 4BR/2.5BA, great open kitchen, spacious family room **108,900**
PRINCETON-Fabulous Old Midland home w/huge rooms! Three living areas.... **108,000**
NORTHTOWN-4BR/2BA, 3 super living areas plus formals **105,750**


Call Roberta Aldridge

HUNTINGTON
Gorgeous, custom, one-owner home. Wonderfully maintained w/lush landscaping.
249,500


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Immaculate, "On the Course", gourmet kitchen, luxurious master. 4BR/3BA/2LA.
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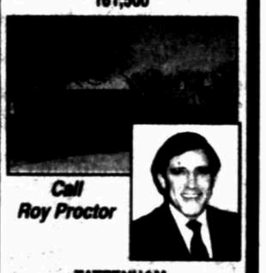
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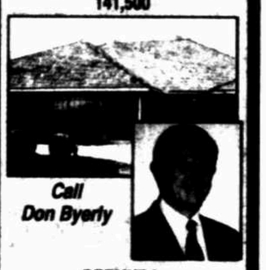
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NOEL-Snappy 2BR TH! Great privacy & security, RV Parking **98,300**
GREEN TREE-A heart throb! Attractive 3BR TH w/pool & tub. Much refurbishing. Home warranty **98,000**
BRIGHTON PL-Super 3BR plus an office with fabulous master bedroom, courtyard and more **96,900**
WESTERN-Immaculate, much updating. 3/2 w/2LA plus office and wonderful WORKSHOP **95,000**
LOCKHEED-Super - good price - great location. 3BR/2.5BA, 2 open LAs, new exterior paint **94,500**
BOYD-New TH in central location! Grand room style w/crown molding touches, large baths **94,000**
HUGHES-Dream kitchen, updated, paint barely dry, 3/2 w/sunroom & bonus room **92,000**
LOCKHEED-Great home in desirable "Old Midland" area. 2LA, super arrangement price to sell. **89,900**
ST ANDREWS-Charming 3BR/2BA/2-garage. Sprinkler system, large master BR & BA, large open kitchen **89,900**
PROVIDENCE-Totally updated - in mint condition with a great courtyard **89,900**
McCLINTIC-Adorable 3BR in popular Old Midland. Wonderful condition, pretty decor, great yard **89,500**
CRESTWOOD-Qual. Assump. High ceilings, picture pretty, decked patio, 3+ study or 4BR/2.5BA **89,000**
BOYD-TH close to hospital, shopping & other conveniences! Large 2BR/2BA/2 Gar, nice features **89,000**
WEDGEWOOD-Fabulous 2BR TH with new paint, carpet, Formica & more. Wonderful Trinity area **88,900**
MICHIGAN-Charming "Old Midland", large, sunny rooms w/recent updating. Lots of parking area! **88,500**
CANADIAN-Beautiful home in Northgate. 4BR/2BA w/great yard. Lots of extras **87,500**
HUGHES-One of a kind. Remodeled w/new kitchen, carpet, AC/Heat etc. Extra large workshop **84,500**
TERRACE-Lots of space, new flooring & bonus room make this a super buy that won't last long! **83,900**
VENTURA-A Christmas present! 3BR/2BA/2LA/2GA. Lots & Lots of redone! Much tile **82,900**
THORNBERRY-New Listing! Wonderful 3/2/2 w/2LA. Tile floors and tall ceilings. Must See **81,500**
MARK LANE-Very nice 3BR on quiet cul-de-sac. Good condition w/large yard **80,000**
FANNIN-Wonderful 4BR/2LA in great area. Large backyard **79,900**
CARPENTER-Stanton. Updated 3BR/3BA + 3LA. 3rd LA huge would make wonderful master **79,900**
THORNBERRY-Summer's coming - in-ground pool ready for fun! 3/2, spotless **78,500**
STOREY-A super west side duplex! 3BR/2BA each side! Shown by appt **78,000**
BUCHANAN-Spotless! Move-in to jewel tone colors! Seq. master w/hot tub room **77,700**
CHON COVE-Secluded yet convenient Wydewood beauty on quiet cul-de-sac **76,900**
SAN ANTONIO-4BR or 2LAs. Very clean! Great square footage for area and price **76,900**
LANHAM-Spacious TH with new paint, tile & carpet, 2BR/2BA **76,000**
TEALWOOD-Great TH located near mall area. 2-story stucco w/2BR/2.5BA. Low maintenance **74,500**
NEELY-Charming 3BR across from St Stephens! King size family room **72,500**
WHITNEY-Beautifully maintained, easy-to-care-for 3BR in great location **72,000**
FANNIN-Non-qualifying assumption on this 3BR/2BA. Lots of extras - call today **72,000**
INDIANA-Wonderful home in "Museum Area". 3BR/2LA w/rock FP, seq. master, large open kitchen **72,000**
GULF-Seller to pay for 2 pts plus up to $1,500 of buyer's closing costs! **71,000**
BRAZOS-Light & bright 3BR/2BA, large master walk-in closets, spacious kitchen & pantry **70,000**
BELTON-Great home on quiet cul-de-sac. 3/2 with nice LA and backyard for play **69,900**
ROCKYLANE-Room for your pool table in a great family room **69,900**
PRINCETON-Super nice! Light & spacious. Large yard is cross-fenced-room for RV **69,500**
WADLEY #M66-Spacious, low maintenance condo, 2LA, 2BR, 2 1/2 BA, very low maintenance **68,500**
GODFREY-Nice size 4BR home w/pool across from park. Large open living & dining w/FP **68,000**
DENGAR-Updated throughout, great 3/2 with 2 living areas **64,900**
MICHIGAN-Darling 3BR cottage! Call to check on non-qualifying assumption possibilities **63,500**
DENGAR-Really nice 3BR in Fannin. Nice condition good plan **62,500**
OHIO-Nestled among forest of pecan trees this 3BR has 2LAs + workshop **62,500**
NEELY-Great home centrally located to schools, shopping and more! **62,000**
COUNTRY CLUB-Large & spacious. 3BR plus a bonus room. 2-car, central air & heat **62,000**
GOLF COURSE-Wonderful location! Zoned residential house is to be sold with property as is **60,000**
BELAIRE-Loads of fresh paint in nice 3BR w/high ceiling. Quiet neighborhood! **59,500**
CROCKETT-Super 3/2 with tons of updating! Seller ready to go **57,500**
WILSHIRE-Super 3/2 with garage. Tons of updating. Beautiful home and yard! **53,000**
SHADYLANE-Adorable 3BR w/new carpet, vinyl, fence, laundry room. All repairs done this year **49,900**
PLEASANT-Spacious 3BR in SW Midland, vaulted ceiling, hardwood in dining area. Cute **49,900**
KANSAS-3BR/2LA/ bonus room/workshop. New paint, carpet & large yard, great windows **49,500**
ILLINOIS-Great 3BR/2LA w/new paint and wallpaper. Don't miss this one **47,500**
ERIE-3BR/2BA, new paint, central air, garage door. Redecorated & new A/C **43,900**
ROOSEVELT-Nice brick home w/2 or 3BR. Central heat & air, formal dining **39,900**
STOREY-Great rental property. 2BR/2BA, FP & guest house **39,900**
MARIANA-3BR ready to move into - even has its own refrigerator. New roof. 2LAs & more **39,500**
CENTURY-Great home on the corner **38,000**
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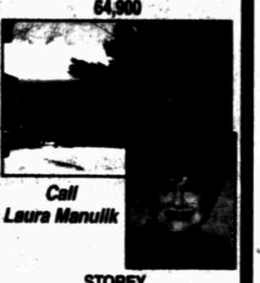
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A rig rises into the blue West Texas sky. The rig count took a healthy jump this week, increasing to 155 from the previous week's count of 145.

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Phillips' upgrade

Phillips Petroleum Co. has instituted a reorganization program that upgrades Permian Basin operations at Odessa to a regional office (Southwest Region) with added responsibility for the Four-Corners area of New Mexico. M.W. Mark Tompkins has been named Southwest Region Manager, J.B. (Barry) Morgan will be Operations Manager and K.L. (Kirk) Czirr becomes Development Manager. Field offices will remain at Andrews, Crane, Goldsmith, and Buckeye, N.M. Other Phillips regions include: Alaska, Canada, Central and Gulf Coast.

Pipeliner publication

Pipeliners in the Permian Basin might be interested in a newly published book "Heard It On The Pipeline" by H.M. "Ike" Stemmer, former publisher of Pipeline Digest. Mr. Stemmer, who also publishes Pipeliner's Hall of Fame calls upon his 35 years of pipeline publishing to provide a collection of funny and interesting stories told by pipeliners. The second edition book is 350 pages and sells for $39.95. Copies may be ordered by calling (713) 468-6686.

Awards

For the first time an oil and gas category has been added to the Bruno Hanson Environmental Excellence Awards sponsored by Keep Midland Beautiful and Midland College.

Previously the only category was for corporate, and while Conoco was a winner in 1996 for its nature preserve near Big Springs, nominations were accepted when competition was open to all forms of businesses. The oil and gas environmental category is expected to attract a number of nominees throughout the Permian Basin.

Any oil company program, project or individual effort — demonstrating innovative environmental science — may be nominated.

The deadline for nominations is 4 p.m. March 9. Winners will be notified by March 16 and awards will be presented April 7 at the Bruno Hanson Environmental Excellence Awards dinner at Midland College.

For more information about project nominations call Keep Midland Beautiful at 688-4190.

Pump breakthrough

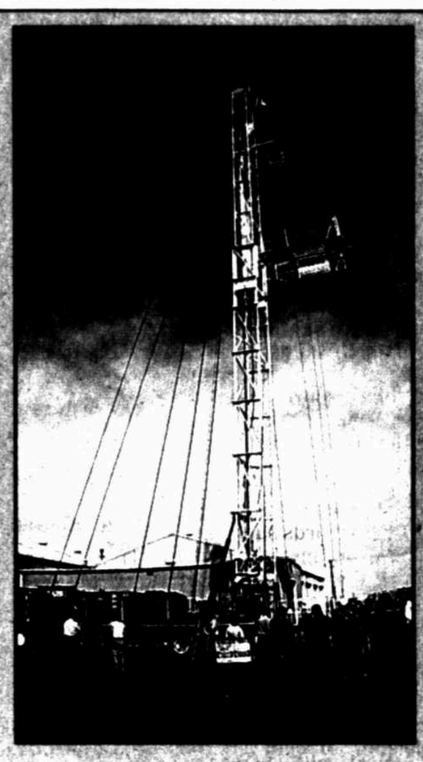
Ed Smith struck oil when he received patents for a hydraulic-driven modified version of the old pumping system that he believes provides a more economical way to pump oil.

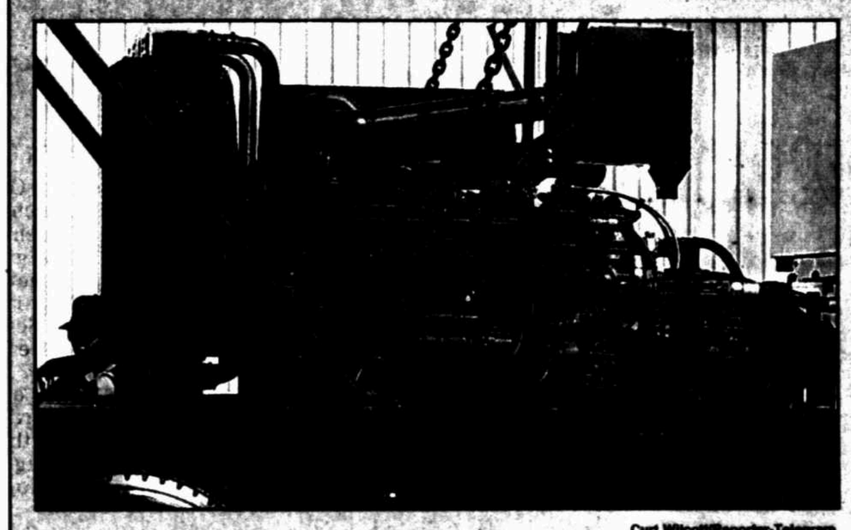
Smith received news in November and December that his pumping system had received two United States patents. Patents in Canada, Great Britain, Japan, Mexico and Venezuela are pending.

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Two rig dedication ceremonies this past week illustrated a recent trend in rebuilding and building rigs which has rig manufacturers hopping to keep up. Above, guests line up for the buffet, while, above right, attendees gather around a rig refurbished by Pemco. Below left, an engine on an IRI International. Both rigs, this past week, which were the reasons for the dedications were owned by Dawson Production Services.

Rig builders hopping to meet need

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

With many of the industry's well service rigs approaching the end of their useful life, the domestic well servicing industry has launched a concerted effort to literally rebuild its fleet from the rubber to the mast.

It is a rebuilding effort that is keeping rig manufacturing companies hopping. Gary Stratulate, president IRI International of Houston, the largest builder and rebuilder of rigs, notes that this company is extremely busy in the well service sector as many more contractors are seeking to rebuild rigs than a year ago.

That fact was made clear this week with two back-to-back rig dedication bashes in Odessa. Both rigs were owned by Dawson Production Services.

"Dawson is rebuilding 14-15 rigs per year," said Mike Little, Dawson Chairman and CEO, "because the physical life of a rig is around 15-20 years, depending on how well they are maintained. Most of the rigs in the field are now approaching 20 years old and if you are going to stay in business you need to upgrade on a timely basis."

Over the past 15 years, Little, a Texas Tech petroleum engineer graduate who began his oilfield career with Chevron, has made Dawson the number three well service company in the U.S., acquiring 30 companies and a large assortment of rigs of various vintage along the way. Little said Dawson Production Services would probably refurbish more rigs on an annual basis, but manufacturing companies were working at capacity.

Dawson has about 20 percent of its fleet in the Permian Basin and utilizes Pemco, IRI and Gregory Rig Service for refurbishing work. An IRI 550 on a

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Falling prices don't slow Mobil's plans

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Falling oil prices may have dampened spirits in the Permian Basin, but not enough to halt a performance celebration by Mobil's Permian Business Unit in Midland.

Not only has Mobil committed to stick with 1998 spending levels, despite lower oil prices, but it has increased employment 10 percent on the technical side to pursue a large portfolio of opportunities.

Mobil employees gathered this week in Midland to celebrate opportunity and employee efforts that have resulted in record-breaking performances for Mobil Corp., Mobil Exploration and Producing U.S. (MEPUS) and Mobil's Permian Business Unit. It was a party that saw Mobil employees collect bonuses of 9-19 percent of their annual salary. "When they all line up it really pays off," said Jack Rathbone, manager of the Permian Business Unit.

Mobil Corp. had 1997 earnings of $3.4 billion, exceeding projections for 1998 by 10 percent. MEPUS, the top producing affiliate in the company, showed earnings of $700 million and grew production for the first time in seven years. Accounting for approximately 30 percent of MEPUS cash was the Permian Business Unit which is comprised of seven businesses — Salt Creek, South Plains, Four Corners, Oklahoma, Midland Basin, Delaware Basin and CO2 Sales and Supply.

"All seven of the Permian businesses exceeded goals in 1997 as a result of the efforts of our employees and increasing opportunities in the Permian Basin," said Rathbone, who notes that the Delaware Basin, Midland Basin and Val Verde Basin still hold great potential for natural gas exploration and development as a result of 3-D seismic and horizontal drilling.

"The Permian Basin may be a mature basin, but it still has lots of opportunity for CO2 development and natural gas exploration. That's why we will not cut our spending commitment in the Permian Basin, even with lower oil prices." Thanks mainly to CO2 development, Mobil was able to replace 130 percent of oil production in the Permian Basin.

Natural gas is a prime focus for Midland-based Mobil, which is presently drilling a 17,000-ft., slide-block test in the Rojo Caballos area of the Delaware Basin. If successful, the test could signal a revival for natural gas exploration in the Delaware Basin. At the least Mobil expects to get a powerful lesson in understanding the complex geology of the area and its correlation to seismic.



Photo courtesy of Don Clawson

Mobil employees enjoyed lunch as part of a celebration to recognize the importance of employee efforts in affecting the company's bottom line. Mobil saw record earnings for 1997.

The company also wants to get a better understanding of the Val Verde Basin with several deep tests slated for the rugged producing area. "The Val Verde is an area of lesser focus for Mobil, but we feel it has great opportunity."

It was a better understanding of 3-D seismic and geology that translated to a major horizontal drilling program in the Parks and Pegasus fields, south of Midland International Airport. As a result of horizontal drilling, Devonian gas wells formerly producing 1 Mmcfd are now being drilled horizontally to produce 4-6 Mmcfd, a feat that won Mobil a major industry award in 1996 for best new technology and caused other operators, such as Texaco, to join the drilling play.

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JOHN PAUL PITTS

Floor price would provide no-cost insurance

With oil prices falling through the floor, is it time for the U.S. to revive the issue of a floor price for crude oil?

Would it be terribly wrong for the U.S. to take control of its own energy destiny by interjecting a degree of price stability into the equation?

The U.S. is a mature oil-producing nation that gets its approximate 6 million barrels-per-day production from about 600,000 wells averaging 10-12 barrels. Without price stability the pattern has been crash and burn every 10 years, but with just a small degree of stability the domestic oil and gas industry has shown it can learn to cope and even flourish during periods of low oil prices.

From 1986 to 1997 oil prices remained low but relatively steady. During that decade, oil companies became innovative and learned to adapt. As a result, CO2 projects that once required $27 oil to be economic are now breaking even with $17 oil. Vertical wells that once yielded 50 barrels of oil per day are being converted to horizontal wells that produce 500 barrels per day. Exploration drilling that had a one-in-nine success ratio has now evolved to over 50-50, thanks to 3-D seismic. It is not likely it would have happened if oil companies had awakened each day to the prospect of a $13 posted price. That's why there should be a floor price for crude oil. The United States, the world's largest consumer of crude oil, would decide what a barrel of oil is worth in the U.S. - not OPEC.



Pitts

A violation of free-market principals? Not really. A conservative dupe, I once believed all the free-market rhetoric about oil prices. But when one producer can flood the world with oil and send prices through the floor, it is not a free market; it is predatory pricing. And predatory pricing always demands price protection — more specific a floor price.

How would a floor price on domestic production work? Very simply, any oil produced in this country would not be sold below the "crash and burn" price — that price which would result in the dismantling of the domestic oil industry. Some say it is a free market and we need periodic $12 prices to bring out the best innovation and get costs down. That's like saying we need a plague to bring about innovations in medicine and survival of the fittest. That may be true, but it's a hell of a price to pay for good medicine and healthy people.

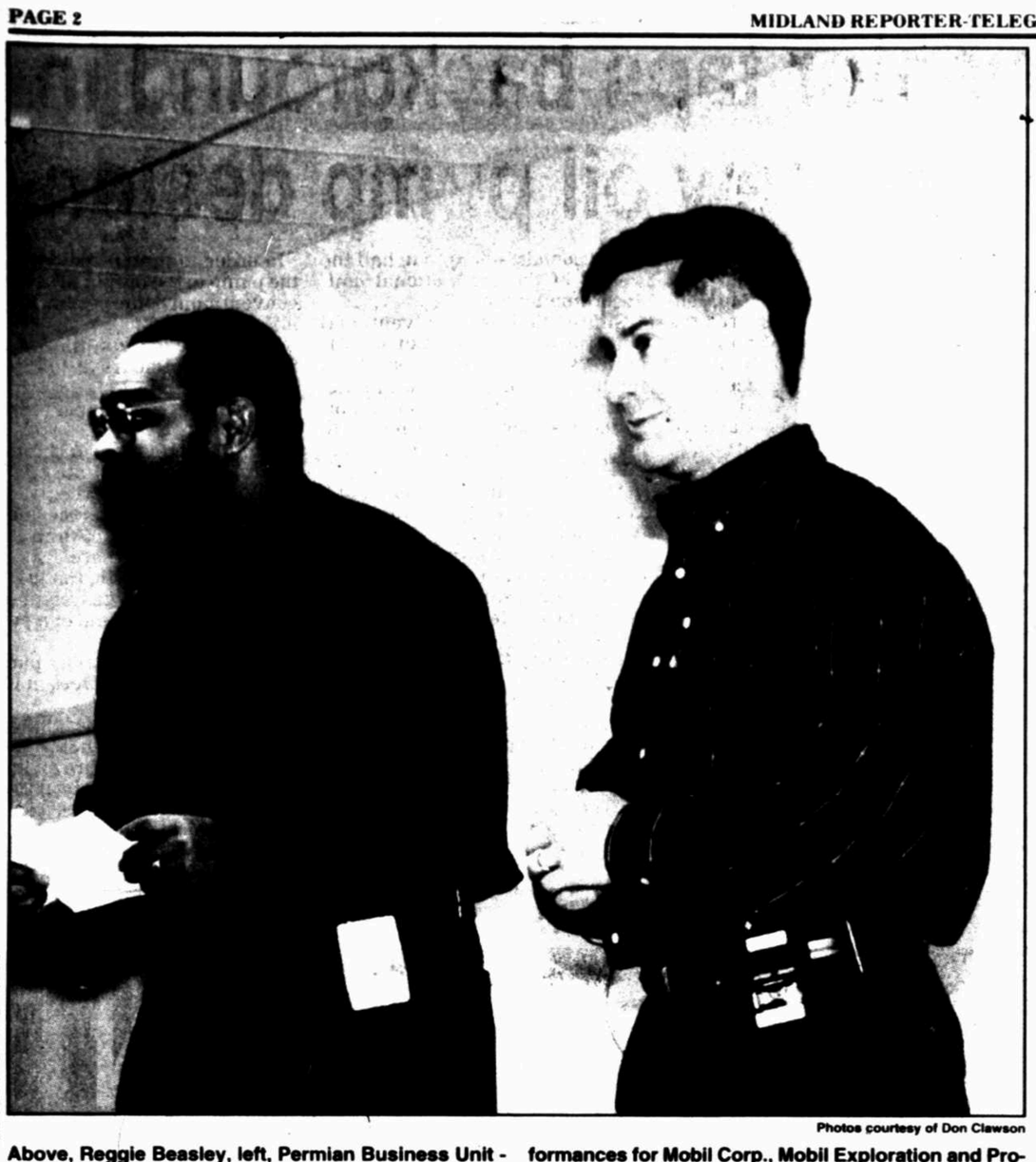
A floor price of say $18 with adjustments for sour crude would be nothing more than survival insurance. Let him who doesn't believe in insurance cast the first stone.

A floor price would have no stranglehold on foreign producers who could sell oil for as much or as little as they wanted to. Twelve dollars per barrel, no problem! Ten dollars per barrel, no problem! It's $18 in the U.S. If oil trades for $10 on NYMEX, it is still $18 to the producer.

An $18 floor price would quickly restore honesty and integrity to the shady world market. There would be no $12 oil sold by the Saudis. There would be no $12 oil traded on the Merc. If the U.S. sets the floor, you can bet the world price would stay above the floor.

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Above, Reggie Beasley, left, Permian Business Unit - Permian Gas Regional Manager, and Debbs Nelson, Permian Business Unit-Permian Oil Regional manager take part in the celebration of record-breaking performances for Mobil Corp., Mobil Exploration and Producing U.S. (MEPUS) and Mobil's Permian Business Unit. Below, Jack Rathbone, Permian Business Unit Leader, has all the answers.

Midland College announces first Oilpatch Lecture Series

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Midland College has announced its first Oilpatch Lecture Series aimed at the multi disciplines of engineering, geophysics and geology, according to Dr. David Daniel, president Midland College.

Daniel said the nine-speaker series is designed to keep key oil industry personnel in the Permian Basin abreast of rapidly changing technology, and will be developed and administered by the Advanced Petroleum Geotechnical Training Program at Midland College.

The lecture series which begins March 2 and runs through May 4 will feature such topics as: 3-D Multi Attribute Analysis; Full Wave Seismic Exploration; Nuclear Fracing of an Oil Well; Engineering Attributes of West Texas Fractures; Statistical Analysis of Depth Conversion; Permian Basin Carbonate Study and Principals of Reservoir Geophysics.

Woody Woodside, coordinator for the Advanced Petroleum Geotechnical Training Program and the lecture series, said topics will be presented by such world renown experts as Bob Hardage of the Bureau of Economic Geology, who established the first full wave (P-wave and sheer-wave) seismic exploration crew, and Sven Trietel, the father of deconvolution, a process for removing multiple energy from seismic data.

Other renown authorities include: Dan Hampson is an expert in 3-D Multi Attribute Analysis, and Mel Carter an expert in velocity in regard to depth conversion.

One of the most interesting topics will be presented by Wadel Lisk, president of Austral Oil Co. Thirty years ago Lisk was involved in the nuclear fracing of an oilwell in Rockies. His gag order on the project was lifted last summer and he is now free to talk about it, as well as show videos.

"The government tried to release oil in the oil shale of the Rockies with an atom bomb frac," said Woodside. "It was some project."

Cost for the lecture series is $25 per session or $200 for the entire series. All proceeds from the lectures will used to equip two Geotechnical Training laboratories at Midland College. One lab will be Unix-based with Sun and Silicon Graphics hardware running GeoQuest IESX based software. The other will be equipped with PC hardware running GeoGraphix, the Oil Field Manager and other related PC-based software.

Daniel says the labs will be available for continuing education courses sponsored by the College and local professional societies, as well as for routine and customized training courses offered by petroleum industry software and data vendors for their oil and gas clients.

Said Woodside: "With so many oil companies going to the team concept and so many computer companies coming to Midland to train. These labs will be a great benefit to the industry. It means, that for the first time personnel can receive advanced geophysical training in Midland without having to go to Houston or Dallas."

All the noon lectures will be held at Midland College in the Wagner and Brown Auditorium of the Allison Fine Arts Building. Box lunches will be handed out at 11:30 prior to the lectures.

For more information on the Oilpatch Lecture Series or reservations call Woody Woodside at 687-1965.

MOBIL: Solid performance garners recognition for local employees, unit

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"We plan on keeping two rigs drilling in the area for at least the next 18 months," said Rathbone. "These gas wells are paying off four-fold in production."

Salt Creek, a CO2 project in Kent County, is also paying off with stable production, holding at 25,000 bopd and 6,000 barrels of natural gas liquids per day, making the West Texas unit Mobil's top U.S. producing asset. Rathbone says the solid production volumes were the result of careful reservoir surveillance and system reliability.

Outside the Permian Basin two other CO2 projects are making significant contributions to MEPUS 455,000 boe. In the Oklahoma Panhandle, Mobil's Postle field is undergoing expansion. The Ratherford Unit in Utah, near Montezuma is underway. It is the second CO2 project for Mobil in the Four Corners area. Its McElmo Creek, initiated in 1985, was the first and is still active. The CO2 potential in the Permian Basin has prompted the company to increase ~~CO2~~ delivery from its McElmo Dome source field from 800 Mmcfd to 1 billion cubic feet.



PITTS: OPEC would be only loser in floor-price scenario

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Foreign producers could sell oil for as much as they want to — $20, $25 or $30 per barrel. U.S. producers could enjoy higher world prices. In the case of higher world prices, U.S. production would continue to be sold at the lower floor price until there was an economic balance of barrels at U.S. refineries. That is when the economic gain of oil sold at floor prices is repaid with continuing floor prices which will run parallel to higher world prices.

It would be a win-win situation for the oil industry, consumers and the nation. The only loser would be OPEC, which would lose its powerful stranglehold on America.

Hopefully U.S. consumers would see the domestic floor price as a very low-cost insurance policy or hedging policy for an industry struggling desperately against ruthless foreign producers to keep a domestic oil industry in tact. It would be an insurance policy that costs nothing. Premiums on the insurance policy would be reflected in higher prices at the pump when prices dropped below the floor price, but they would be repaid with continuing floor prices when world prices shot above the floor price. No giant bureaucracy would be needed to manage a domestic floor price plan — just a small committee to monitor refinery runs and prices.

The nation would win with such an insurance policy, because it would insure the survival of a vital American industry and provide a higher degree of energy security. For those that don't think energy security counts in the global market, they will when the United States becomes 75 percent dependent on foreign crude, and foreigner supplyers use our dependency as leverage to affect public policy in the U.S.

John Pitts is oil editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

RIGS: Most rigs being rebuilt, not replaced

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Franks carrier was dedicated Monday at IRI in Midland, and a Cooper 550 was dedicated Tuesday at Pemco in Odessa. The IRI rig will go to work for Chevron at Wickett and the Cooper rig will go to work for Altura in the Cowden field.

Glen Maikranz, vice president IRI International, said it takes about 90 days to totally rebuild a well service rig, and IRI International at one point was building 29 rigs and rebuilding 42 rigs. Most of the new rigs are going overseas. "Nearly everyone is rebuilding now. We sell new rigs, but most rebuild."

Maikranz says a rebuilt rig includes 80 percent new components, at about 50 percent the cost of a new rig. At a cost of $225-$250,000 per copy, he said rebuilding a rig from the carrier up was no inexpensive process. "We put on new tools, engines, draw works, drive train, hydraulics and electrical systems. The mast is stripped and magnafluxed, and we even rebuild the cab. The paint job alone costs about $15,000."

Mike Little predicts that more companies will be seeking to rebuild rigs and upgrade their fleets. "If you don't upgrade on a timely basis, you need to stack out rigs, because you are taking too many risks otherwise."

OPEC considering convening meeting in bid to prop up prices

NEW YORK - New York crude oil futures could open as much as 30 cents higher because members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries may convene an extraordinary meeting in a bid to prop up prices by cutting production.

Oil prices have fallen 25 percent since the group decided to increase production 10 percent in November. Official OPEC negotiations towards a meeting were triggered by a request from Indonesia's oil minister this morning. OPEC members supply about 36 percent of the world's oil.

"I would be a short-term buyer on this news in the hope that a cutback may materialize," said John Toalster, head of oil and gas research at Societe General Strauss Turnbull Securities Ltd. in London. Still, Toalster said an agreement was unlikely unless Saudi Arabia and Venezuela settled their differences over quota-busting. Toalster said Venezuela was the "worst over-producer in the group."

Prices also rose amid perceptions the pact Iraq signed with the United Nations over weapons inspections could fail, at a time when the UN is discussing a resolution to permit an immediate military strike on Iraq should it renege on the agreement.

Open floor trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange could see crude oil rise as much as 30 cents a barrel higher after closing 14 cents higher Wednesday at $15.45 a barrel. Electronic Access trading in New York saw crude futures gain 23 cents to $15.73 a barrel. Across the Atlantic, the comparable crude oil contract gained as much as 52 cents, or 3.7 percent to $14.43 a barrel on London's International Petroleum Exchange.

Fernando Garay, a spokesman for the Vienna-based OPEC Secretariat said "there have been comments made by Indonesia this morning, but it's an internal OEPC matter -- when a decision is made it will be announced."

Garay said OPEC Secretary General Rilwanu Lukman was "in discussions with ministers" from the 11-memeber group and that any extraordinary meeting would "definitely be in Vienna."

Garay declined to comment on the timing of any emergency meeting, the last of which was held in 1993, saying the "only official date we have now is the Ministerial Monitoring Committee meeting on March 16."

The MMC can only make recommendations to the OPEC group, consisting of ministers from Kuwait, Iran and Nigeria plus Lukman. An emergency MMC was convened in January, although no decision on a recommendation to reduce quota was made.

At its November meeting in Jakarta, Indonesia, OPEC boosted its production ceiling 10 percent to 27.5 million barrels a day starting Jan. 1, triggering perceptions of over-supply this year.

Indonesia's Mines and Energy Minister, and OPEC's President, I.B. Sudjana warned today that increased Iraqi sales of oil could lead to "a flood of oil on the market." He said he had already talked with the secretary general to arrange a meeting. "We need to talk about it," Sudjana said.

Last week the UN approved an expansion of Iraq's oil-for-food program that could add an estimated 800,000 barrels of crude, or about 1 percent of world oil consumption, to the market.

That's because the expansion of the program means Iraq will be able to export $5.2 billion of oil over a six-month period, more than double the previous $2 billion quota. The expanded quota was backdated to Feb. 1, and so is effective immediately.

Any sign that major oil producers will curb their output should push prices higher. A glut of oil has already driven oil prices to their lowest for four years.

The over-supply has been created by increased production inside and outside of OPEC, sagging growth in demand in east Asia and warmer-than-usual weather.

MEETINGS

THE SOCIETY OF EXPLORATION GEOPHYSICISTS will host the SEG 1998 International Exposition and 68th Annual Meeting September 13-18 in New Orleans.

The theme for 1998 is "Unmask the Depths," underscoring the technical challenge and business opportunity that more accurate and cost-effective "depth" methods provide.

Representative Tom Craddick will speak on current legislative issues at the March lunch meeting of the **NATURAL GAS SOCIETY OF THE PERMIAN BASIN**. The meeting is scheduled for 11:45 am. Tuesday, March 10. Cost is $12.50 per person and must be paid in advance. Checks, payable to the Natural Gas Society of the Permian Basin, may be mailed to P.O. Box 11382, Midland, TX 79702-1382. For late reservations or cancellations, call Staci Luttrell at 682-8165. Reservations and changes will be taken until noon Friday, March 6.

The **PBGS** lunch meeting will be March 4 at 11:30 a.m. at the Midland Center. Daniel Wisecup with Western Geophysical will speak on "Unambiguous Signal Recovery Above the Nyquist Using Random-Sample-Interval Imaging (RSI^2)".

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NAMEDROPPERS

Pogo Producing announces promotions

Pogo Producing Company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Paul G. Van Wagenen announced that the board of directors of the oil and natural gas company has approved several senior management promotions.

STUART P. BURBACH was named executive vice president-exploration. He has served as Pogo's vice president and offshore division manager since 1991 and earlier was vice president of exploration with Norfolk Holdings, Inc. Burbach holds degrees in geology from the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee and Texas A&M University.

KENNETH R. GOOD, formerly corporate senior vice president, was promoted to executive vice president. Good joined Pogo in 1978 and has held numerous positions during his career with the company. Good is a graduate of Texas Tech University.

JERRY A. COOPER was promoted to senior vice president and western division manager. He joined Pogo's Midland office in 1979 and has served as the company's vice president and western division manager since December 1990. Cooper holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Texas Christian University.

R. PHIL LANEY was elevated to senior vice president and manager of worldwide new ventures for the company. Laney, also a 20-year veteran with Pogo, was formerly vice president and international division manager. Laney's alma mater is the University of Alabama.

JOHN O. MCCOY, JR. was named Pogo's senior vice president and chief administrative officer. McCoy joined Pogo in January, 1978 as director of personnel and has served as vice president and CAO since 1989. McCoy is a graduate of the University of Georgia.

J.D. "DON" MCGREGOR was promoted to senior vice president - sales. McGregor joined the company in 1981 and has served as vice president - sales since 1988. He holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Texas Tech University.

Van Wagenen noted, "This year Pogo is brimming with exploration and development opportunities in its areas of concentration: the Permian Basin, the onshore and offshore areas of the Gulf of Mexico and the Gulf of Thailand. These talented officers and managers have been making meaningful contributions to the company's obvious success tory, and that should continue to be the case in their expanded areas of responsibility."

In addition, **BARRY W. ACOMB** has become offshore division manager. Acomb earned his Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of Cincinnati and for the past three years has served as offshore exploration manager. Prior to joining Pogo in 1994, Acomb had worked as an independent consultant and held numerous managerial positions with BP Exploration.

S. CLAY ROBINSON, JR. was promoted to international division manager, having served Pogo since 1996 as international division exploration manager. Robinson holds a geology degree from Western Illinois University and held various managerial positions in the geosciences with Exxon Exploration Company prior to joining Pogo.

Texas inventor taps background in windmills for new oil pump design

By Brad Mayhar
The Lufkin Daily News

LUFKIN — Ed Smith struck oil when he received patents for a hydraulic-driven modified version of the old pumping system that he believes provides a more economical way to pump oil.

Smith received news in November and December that his pumping system had received two United States patents. Patents in Canada, Great Britain, Japan, Mexico and Venezuela are pending.

"We can't apply for foreign patents, until a year after we applied for the patents in America," he said. "Since it passed the American system, there's a good chance of getting the foreign patents."

The retired Lufkin ISD vocational instructor-turned-inventor's goal was to design and construct a system that would outperform one of the long-time, conventional, state-of-the-art pumping systems.

Smith's invention, known as the E-Smith 504 Deep Oil Well Sucker Rod Pumping System, used kinetic energy from a revolving flywheel to replace the counter weights used on the old conventional pump.

"This is the first known pumping system built with conventional power and hydraulic drive system, a flywheel for counter balance and a hydraulic-driven mechanical control system," Smith said.

Smith said the idea for the hydraulic driven unit derived from his work with a state and federally funded windmill project about six years ago. He built the unit in Lufkin. When Smith finished it, an independent oil company in Centerville saw it and sponsored the installation and transportation.

"From a mechanical standpoint, we realized we needed a variable drive mechanism and we couldn't do it with a standard mechanical set up," Smith said. "It needed hydraulics. The oil company said they wanted to see it pump oil."

Retired Sam Houston State University vice president and former Lufkin ISD superintendent Jack Darnell helped Smith fund the project.

Smith received engineering assistance from major hydraulic engineering companies in Milwaukee and Dallas. Hydraquip Corp. of Houston and Oilgear of Dallas furnished the equipment and acted as consultants to Smith.

Smith says he believes his unit could provide a more economical way to pump oil.

The 504 model weighs about 25,000 pounds — less than half the weight of the conventional unit, according to Smith.

Smith said the conventional units run at one speed, but on a 504 unit, "We can run one stroke a minute or five strokes a minute. We can match the speed of the unit to the well output. It's better to adjust the speed rather than to just let it run."

The 504 unit can go up slowly and go down fast, or go up fast, and come down slowly.

"The up speed is the same as the down speed on most conventional units," Smith said, "I can make it go quadracycle control-halfway up, all the way up, halfway down, and down to a stop. The slower you accelerate the mass, the less stress you put on the rod.

Smith ran several successful tests on the pump himself before introducing the idea to the public and trying to get a patent.

"The flywheel must counterbalance the rod-load and it did effectively the first time," Smith said.

"In order to match the output of the pump to the output of the well, conventional pumps must run intermittently."

He said he has run the 504 unit for 30 straight hours at full speed and full load.

"It didn't even whimper," Smith said.

Smith installed cooling fans in the unit that activate if the hydraulic system overheats.

"It ran 30 hours, and they never came on one time," Smith said. "The efficiency is there."

According to Smith, the 504 unit can operate by a gas engine or through electricity and can pump fluid, primarily oil.

The prototype 504 unit pumps from a depth of 8,500 feet in Centerville.

Smith attended the Chevron Artificial Lift Conference in Houston in September, where he introduced his invention to about 200 oil company representatives from all over the world.

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DEVON ENERGY CORP
COMPTON 33 FEDERAL #1
REDLAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 33; 1650 FSL 2310 FWL; 7 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 2800 QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-30046
DEVON ENERGY CORP
COMPTON 33 FEDERAL #2
RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 33; 2410 FSL 1575 FWL; 7 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 2800 QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-30047
DEVON ENERGY CORP
EVARTS 33 FEDERAL #1
RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 33; 1650 FSL 990 FWL; 7 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 2800 QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-30044
MACK ENERGY CORP
PINON FEDERAL #4
EMPIRE; T17S, R29E, SEC 22; 990 FNL 680 FEL; 3 MILES W OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 5000 YESA; API # 30-015-30040
MACK ENERGY CORP
SCHLEY FEDERAL #1
EMPIRE; T17S, R29E, SEC 29; 1650 FSL 2310 FWL; 6.5 MILES SW OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 5500 PADDOCK; API # 30-015-30031
MACK ENERGY CORP
WESTERN FEDERAL #1
EMPIRE; T17S, R29E, SEC 30; 1650 FNL 990 FEL; 8 MILES SW OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 4500 PADDOCK; API # 30-015-30032
ENRON OIL & GAS CO
SAND TANK 31 FED COM #2
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PARKWAY DELAWARE UNIT #508
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PARKWAY DELAWARE UNIT #509
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PARKWAY DELAWARE UNIT #704
PARKWAY; T19S, R29E, SEC 35; 1450 FSL 330 FEL; 14 MILES SW OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 4400 DELAWARE; API # 30-015-30028
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RED LAKE; T18S, R27E, ESC 5; 1650 FNL 530 FWL; 6.5 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 2800 QU/GB/SA; API # 30-015-30048
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EVARTS 6 FED #2
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PENWELL ENERGY INC
ANGEL "6" FED #4
OLD MILLMAN; T20S, R28E, SEC 6; 660 FSL 1980 FWL; 9.5 MILES SE OF LAKEWOOD; ROT 6500 BONE SPRING; API # 30-015-30053
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MARATHON OIL CO
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DAGGER DRAW; T21S, R23E, ESC 15; 1980 FSL 660 FEL; 16.5 MILES SW OF LAKEWOOD; ROT 9600 MORROW; API # 30-015-30041
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INDIAN DRAW 12 FED #1
SOUTH CARLSBAD; T22S, R27E, SEC 12; 1800 FSL 660 FEL; 4.5 MILES E OF CARLSBAD; ROT 12300 MORROW; API # 30-015-30052

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LITTLE MAGGIE AJN ST #1
YOUNG; T18S, R32E, SEC 16; 2310 FSL 990 FEL; 7 MILES S OF MALJAMAR; ROT 4450 QUEEN; REENTERY OF P&A, OLD TD 12038; API # 30-025-31373
MATADOR OPER CO
HUDSON FEDERAL #4
SOUTH CORBIN; T18S, R33E, SEC 30; 735 FNL 660 FWL; 12 MILES NE OF HALFWAY; ROT 11500 WOLFCAMP; API # 30-025-34301
PIONEER NAT'L RESOURCES USA INC
LUSK DEEP UNIT "A" 33
WEST LUSK; T19S, R32E, SEC 20; 1650 FNL 660 FWL; 7 MILES NW OF HALFWAY; ROT 5300 DELAWARE; REENTRY OF ELPASO PRODUCTS CO LUSK DEEP UNIT #3 P&A OLD OD 12621; API # 30-025-00913
PIONEER NAT'L RESOURCES USA INC
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FED #2
WEST LUSK; T19S, R32E, SEC 20; 990 FNL 990 FWL; 7 MILES NW OF HALFWAY; ROT 5100 DELWARE; REENTRY OF ELPASO PRODUCTS CO, P&A, OLD TD 11407; API # 30-025-20156
PIONEER NAT'L RESOURCES USA INC
LUSK WEST (DELAWARE) UNIT #915-Y
WEST LUSK; T19S, R32E, SEC 29; 450 FSL 2050 FEL; 2.5 MILES SW OF HALFWAY; ROT 6630 DELAWARE; API # 30-025-34269
MALLON OIL CO
MALLON 27 FEDERAL #3
NE LEA; T19S, R34E, SEC 27; 1980 FNL 660 FWL; 12 MILES NE OF HALFWAY; ROT 8300 DELAWARE; API # 30-025-34300
NEARBURG PROD CO
TOMAHAWK 34 FED #1
HALFWAY; T20S, R33E, SEC 34; 660 FNL 1650 FWL; 5.5 MILES SE OF HALFWAY; ROT 14500 MORROW; API # 30-025-34302
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J COOPER #2
NW SKAGGS; T20S, R37E, SEC 3; 1450 FNL 1867 FEL; 1 MILE S OF MONUMENT; ROT 7100 DRINKARD; API # 30-025-34295
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DK; T20S, R38E, SEC 23; 660 FNL 1980 FEL; 4.5 MILES SE OF NADINE; ROT 8000 ABO; API # 30-025-34296
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ARROWHEAD GB UNIT #369
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ALBERT SYKES "C" #3
CREE-SYKES-D; HT&B RR CO/S.P. BROWN #10 SUR, A-641; 950 FNL 1100 FWL OF LSE; 950 FNL 100 FWL OF SUR; 5.5 MILES N OF CREWS; OBJ: 5700 (CROSSCUT); PERMIT # 471031; API # 42-399-34570

TERRELL COUNTY

MOBIL PRODUCING TX & NM INC
BROWN BASSETT GOODE UNIT #1H
BROWN-BASSETT-RECOMP; HORIZONTAL WELL; SIDE TRACK; TCRR CO/J. C. MCCAUGHAN SUR, A-891, BLK Y, SEC 216, 217; 1320 FNEL 3497 FEL OF LSE; 1597 FSL 1718 FWL OF SUR; 28.5 MILES NE OF DRYDEN; OBJ: 12880 (SILURIAN); PERMIT # 469675; API # 42-443-00079

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PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY
UNIVERSITY ANDREWS #55W
LORETTA-RECOMP; UL SUR, BLK 11, SEC 25; 9400 FNL 4744 FWL OF LSE; 678 FEL 1990 FSL OF SUR; 25 MILES SW OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 5370 (GLORIETA); PERMIT # 473300; API # 42-003-04772
MARIAH ENERGY CORP
MAGUTEX QUEEN UNIT #4218R
MAGUTEX-D; UL SUR, BLK 5, SEC 18; 1983 FNL 1932 FEL OF LSE; 596 FEL 1983 FNL OF SUR; 12.8 MILES NE OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 5000 (QUEEN); PERMIT # 473125; API # 42-003-38372
MARIAH ENERGY CORP
MAGUTEX QUEEN UNIT #718
MAGUTEX-D; UL SUR, BLK 5, SEC 18; 3946 FWL 5318 FNL OF LSE; 2627 FWL 1283 FSL OF SUR; 12.8 MILES NE OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 5000 (QUEEN); PERMIT # 473126; API # 42-003-38373
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MAGUTEX QUEEN UNIT #819
MAGUTEX-D; UL SUR, BLK 5, SEC 19; 1395 FSL 3890 FEL OF LSE; 1395 FSL 2554 FEL OF SUR; 13 MILES NE OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 5000 (QUEEN); PERMIT # 473128; API # 42-003-38375
MARIAH ENERGY CORP
MAGUTEX QUEEN UNIT #618
MAGUTEX-D; UL SUR, BLK 5, SEC 18; 1337 FNL 2640 FEL OF LSE; 1337 FNL 1305 FEL OF SUR; 12.8 MILES NE OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 5000 (QUEEN); PERMIT # 473129; API # 42-003-38376
MARIAH ENERGY CORP
MAGUTEX QUEEN UNIT #518
MAGUTEX-D; UL SUR, BLK 5, SEC 18; 3993 FWL 2663 FNL OF LSE; 1349 FEL 2617 FSL OF SUR; 12.8 MILES NE OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 5000 (QUEEN); PERMIT # 473130; API # 42-003-38377
MARIAH ENERGY CORP
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USA Land	820	839	N/A
USA Offshore	142	132	N/A
Canada	512	512	N/A
U.S. Directional	256	241	N/A
U.S. Horizontal	63	64	N/A
U.S. Gas	612	595	N/A
U.S. Oil	372	396	N/A

This information updated February 20, 1998

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TEXAS

DIST. #7C

Coke	00
Concho	00
Crockett	13
Irion	02
Kimble	00
McCullough	00
Menard	00
Reagan	03
Runnels	00
Schliecher	02
Sutton	02
Terrell	05
Tom Green	02
Upton	04

DIST. #8

Andrews	05
Brewster	00
Crane	02
Culberson	00
Ector	02
El Paso	00
Glasscock	05
Howard	05
Hudspeth	00
Jeff Davis	00
Loving	01
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Pecos	07
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Ward	06
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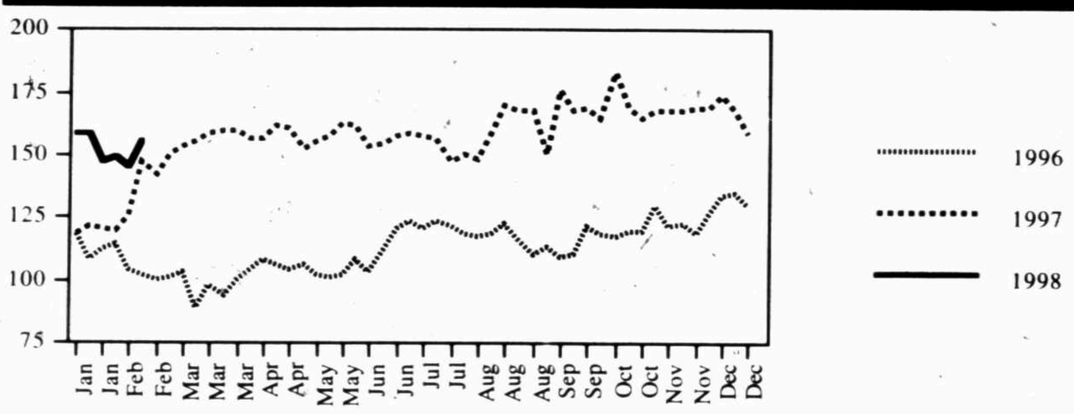
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Cochran	00
Cottle	00
Crosby	00
Dawson	00
Dickens	00
Floyd	00
Gaines	03
Garza	01
Hale	00
Hockley	05
Kent	01
King	01
Lamb	00
Lubbock	00
Lynn	00
Motley	00
Scurry	01
Terry	03
Yoakum	02
TEXAS TOTAL	***111***

NEW MEXICO

Chaves	00
Eddy	21
Lea	23
Roosevelt	00
N.M. TOTAL	***44***

Permian Basin Rig Count Profile



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MARIAH ENERGY CORP
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MAGUTEX-D; UL SUR, BLK 5, SEC 18; 3260 FWL 3363 FNL OF LSE; 2082 FEL 1917 FSL OF SUR; 12.8 MILES NE OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 5000 (QUEEN); PERMIT # 473132; API # 42-003-38379

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ARCO PERMIAN
BLOCK 31 UNIT #H 8H
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ARCO PERMIAN
BLOCK 31 UNIT #H 8
BLOCK 31-RECOMP; UL SUR, BLK 31, SEC 38; 660 FEL 1980 FSL OF LSE; 660 FNL 1980 FWL OF SUR; 9 MILES NW OF CRANE; OBJ: 9060 (QUEEN); PERMIT # 473253; API # 42-103-32688

HOWARD COUNTY

ORYX ENERGY COMPANY
DORA ROBERTS -A- #26
HOWARD GLASSOCK-D; W&NW RR CO SUR, A-477, BLK 29, SEC 137; 41 FWL 635 FSL OF LSE; 2598 FEL 2005 FNL OF SUR; 2 MILES S OF FORSAN; OBJ: 3300; PERMIT # 473255; API # 42-227-35283
ORYX ENERGY COMPANY
KLOH #45
HOWARD GLASSOCK-D; T&P RR CO SUR, A-503, BLK 33, T2S, SEC 13; 662 FEL 661 FNL OF LSE; 1980 FEL 1980 FSL OF SUR; 5 MILES W OF FORSAN; OBJ: 2900; PERMIT # 473281; API #42-227-35284
ORYX ENERGY CORP
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SPRABERRY-D; T&P RR CO/M. E. REAVES SUR, A-597, BLK 37, T5S, SEC 20; 660 FSL 3377 FWL OF LSE; 660 FSL 1980 FEL OF SUR; 2.7 MILES SE OF MIDKIFF; OBJ: 8800 (TREND AREA); PERMIT # 473307; API # 42-461-33925

WARD COUNTY

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H. S. A.-RECOMP; G&MMB&A SUR, A-10, BLK F,SEC 24; 18150 FSEL 6930 FNEL OF LSE; 2310 FSL 1650 FEL OF SUR; 3 MILES N OF WICKETT; OBJ: 6500 (SAN ANDRES); PERMIT # 462050; API # 42-475-32720
ENRON OIL & GAS COMPANY
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WAR-WINK, W-D; UL SUR, BLK 18, SEC 26; 660 FWL 1980 FSL OF LS;E 660 FWL 1980 FSL OF SUR; 14 MILES W OF PYOTE;-OBJ: 12000 (WOLFCAMP); PERMIT # 473252; API # 42-475-34551

WINKLER COUNTY

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DICKENS COUNTY

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HORN #3194
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KROCAN ENERGY CORPORATION
FINA ETAL #1202
DUCK CREEK-D; H&GN RR CO/B. REYNOLDS SUR, A-725, BLK 1, SEC 202; 467 FWL 867 FNL OF LSE; 467 FWL 867 FNL OF SUR; 8 MILES SE OF SPUR; OBJ: 4800 (TANNEHILL); PERMIT # 473278; API # 42-125-30692

YOAKUM COUNTY

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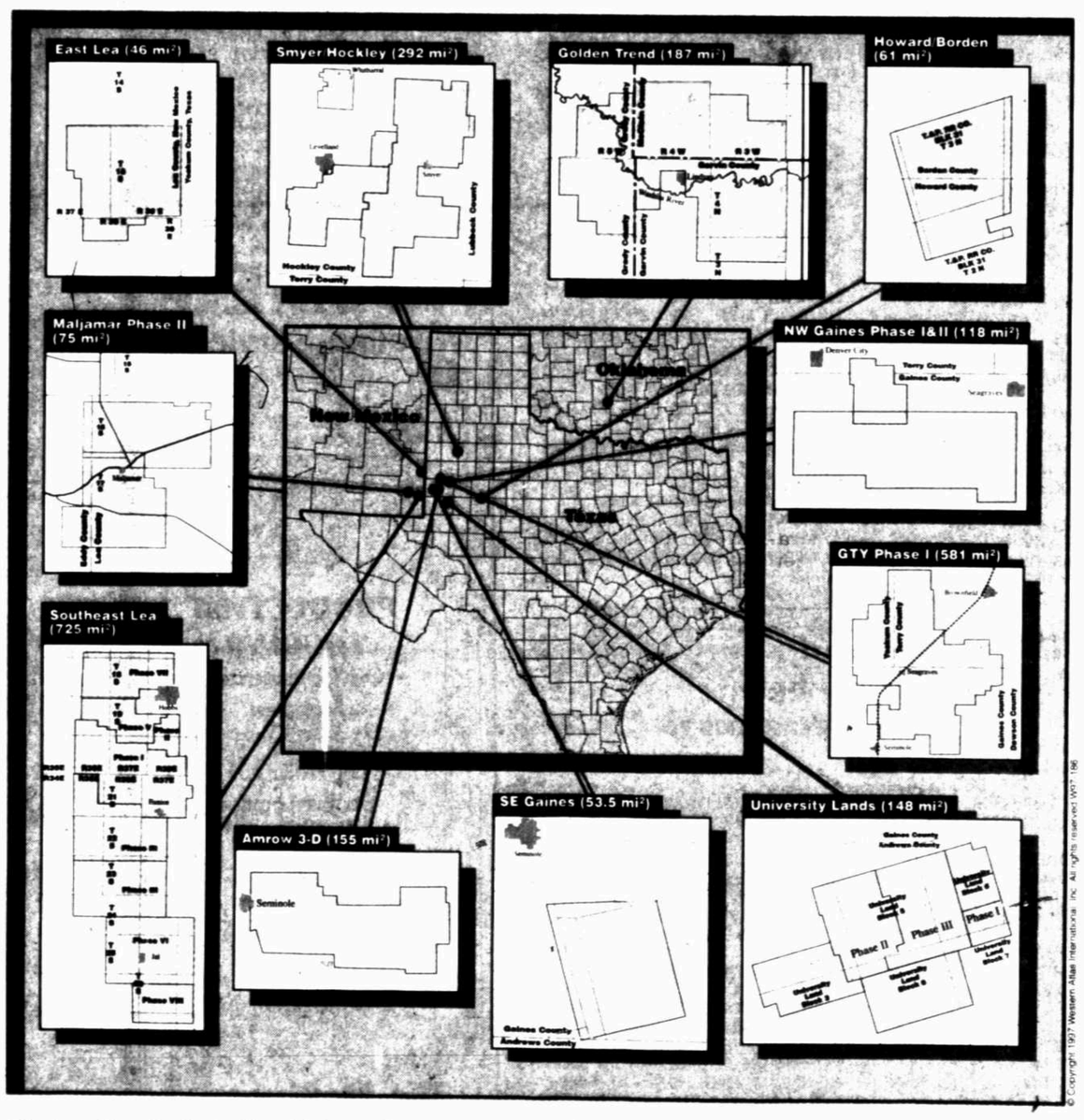
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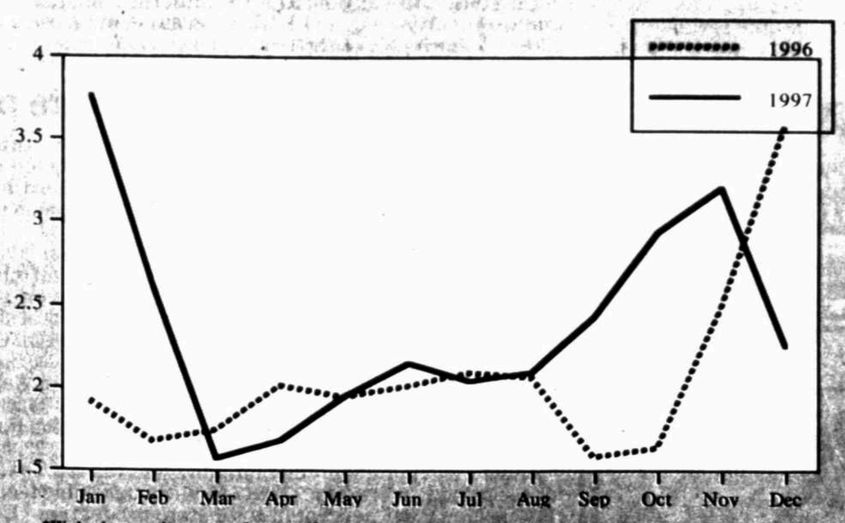
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Waha Averages

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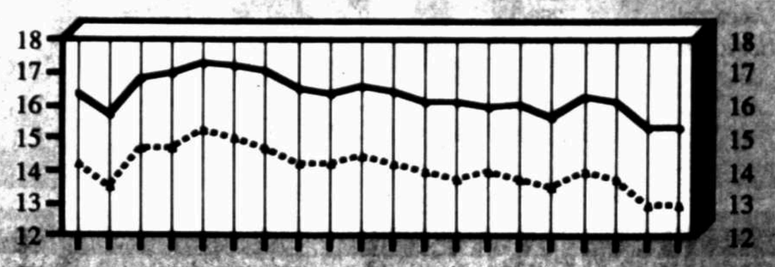
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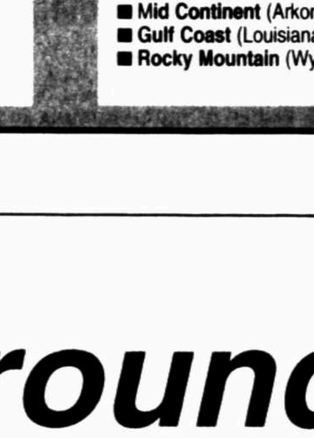
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The City of Stamford will receive applications for the position of Fire Chief/ Code Enforcement Officer until 4:00 pm. March 13, 1998. This is a department head position. Qualified applicants may obtain job description & requirements from the City Secretary, City of Stamford, P.O. Drawer 191, Stamford, Texas 79553 or come by City Hall, 201 E. McHarg in Stamford.

ENGINEER- Financial Institution seeks Reservoir Engineer with acquisition and divestment experience. Field experience helpful. Must work well with clients, and possess good working knowledge of ARIES and Microsoft Office Programs. Send resumes to: Box B-04028, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

INDUSTRY BRIEFS

Royalty program could avoid disputes

WASHINGTON - A royalty-in-kind program for oil and natural gas could avoid valuation disputes, according to a new study by the American Petroleum Institute.

The study, "Royalty-in; Kind: Solution of Valuation Disputes?," states that a properly-designed RIK program could assure that the federal government receives the true market value of its royalty share of oil and gas produced on federal lands.

Altura, Union Pacific lead state producers

AUSTIN - Railroad Commission statistics show Altura Energy Ltd. and Union Pacific Resources Company to be the top oil and gas producers, respectively, in Texas for 1997, Commission Chairman Charles R. Matthews, and Commissioners Barry Williamson and Carole Keeton Rylander announced.

Altura led all oil producers for the period with an average daily production of 165,796 barrels, some 12.379 percent of all oil produced in the state. Exxon Corp. took second place with an average daily production rate of 75,429 barrels, some 5.632 percent of total state production. Other companies in the top ten included Marathon Oil Company, 62,288 bpd (barrels per day), third; Texaco E&P Inc., 52,200 bpd, fourth; mobil Producing TX. & N.M. Inc., 49644 bpd, fifth; Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. 44,442 bpd, sixth; Chevron U.S.A. Inc. 43,930 bpd, seventh; Amerada Hess Corporation, 34199 bpd, eighth; Union Pacific Resources Company7, 234,339 bpd, ninth, and Oxy USA Inc., 23,961 bpd, tenth.

Union Pacific Resources Company was the top Texas gas producer for the period, averaging 779,517 Mcf (though cubic feet) per day which represented 6,001 percent of total state production. Exxon Corp. was second, averaging 772,862 Mcf per day, or 5.950 percent of all gas produced in the state. Other companies included Conoco Inc., 594,554 Mcf, third; Texaco E&_ Inc. 463,198 Mcf, fourth; Enron Oil & Gas Company, 423,059 Mcf, fifth; Chevron U.S.A. Inc., 385,596 Mcf, sixth; Coastal Oil & Gas Corporation, 374,354 Mcf, seventh; Mobil Producing TX. & N.M. Inc., 350,941 Mcf, eighth; Shell Western E&P Inc., 343,480 Mcf, ninth, and Phillips Petroleum Company, 338,358 Mcf, tenth.

Parallel Petroleum reports Yegua discovery

Parallel Petroleum reported the completion of its fifth successful exploratory well on its Toro Grande project in the Yegua/Frio/Wilcox Gas Trend in Jackson County, Texas. The Babb No. 2 oil discovery was drilled to approximately 10,250 feet and logged 35 net feet of potential oil and gas pay in the Yegua formation. The Babb No. 2 is currently producing 430 barrels of oil and 630 thousand cubic feet of gas per day. Parallel owns a 21.5 percent working interest (16 percent net revenue interest). The operator, privately-owned Maxima Resources of Corpus Christi, and industry partners own the remaining interests.

Make-A-Wish fishing benefits announced

The Permian Basin Oilman's Bass Invitational Tournament to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation will open with registration April 2 at Concho Marina from noon to 10 p.m. Fishing will take place on Friday and Saturday with weigh in at 3 p.m. at Concho Marina.

During registration, B.J. Services will be cooking fajitas at the lake, with Halliburton cooking Friday night in Ballinger at the National Guard Armory at 5 p.m.. Champion Technologies will be cooking Saturday at 5 p.m., also in the Armory.

After supper Saturday night, the Make-A-Wish Foundation will be presented with a check in the amount of $30,000.

The Make-A Wish kids Summer Tournament will be held June 20 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Concho Marina, Lake Ivie. The event provides children in the Make-A-Wish program with hats, shirts, rods and reels, and an all-day fishing excursion. At noon, during lunch, trophies are presented.

PBGC announces two courses for March

The Permian Basin Graduate Center will offer two courses in early March.

Natural Occurring Radioactive Materials in the Oil and Gas Industry is scheduled for March 9 and 10 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost is $350.

The purpose of the seminar is to provide oil and gas operators, gas plant operators, refining, pipeline and terminal operations managers with a guidance manual and program to economically manage "Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials (NORM)" under current and pending regulations. The course qualifies for 12 RLP, 12 CPL or 12 ESA AAPL recertification credits.

The second course, Natural Gas Engineering and Operations will be held March 10-12 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost is $350.

The seminar will provide a broad overview of the techniques for estimating natural gas reserves and deliverability for a diverse group of reservoir, petroleum and production engineers. Procedures used in the gas industry will be stressed. Another objective is to provide the background necessary to understand the basic approaches and concepts underlying practical calculations of the behavior of gas production systems.

Spirit Energy 76, Amoco sign joint venture

SUGAR LAND - Spirit Energy 76, Unocal Corporation's Lower 48 exploration and production business unit, and Amoco Production Company have entered into a joint venture agreement for the exploration and development of 22,000 acres located in the prolific Cotton Valley Reef trend of East Texas. The area of interest lies south of the Bear Grass Field in Leon County, Texas and is contiguous to discoveries reported by Union Pacific Resources and Sonat Exploration.

Amoco has shot 110 square miles of 3-D seismic over the area, and have identified multiple reef prospects and leads. Spirit Energy 76 and Amoco plan to drill at least four wells in 1998, two of which are currently drilling. Amoco will operate the joint venture with Spirit Energy 76 retaining a 37.5 percent working interest in the project.

Pioneer inks African cooperation agreement

DALLAS - Pioneer Natural Resources Company announced the signing of a Technical Cooperation Agreement with the Republic of South Africa. The agreement gives Pioneer the exclusive right to study and negotiate a petroleum contract on an offshore area termed Block 10, 11A, 12A, 13B and 14B.

The Block covers over five million acres along the southern coast of South Africa, generally in water depths less than 650 feet. It is located between Block 9, which produces quantities of oil from Oribi Field (up to 25,000 barrels per day) and gas from F-A Field (about 190 million cubic feet per day), and Pioneer's study block 13A/14A offshore Port Elizabeth.

Continental Emsco wins major contract

HOUSTON - Continental Emsco has been awarded the primary contract to provide MRO (maintenance, repair and operations) materials and services to Altura Energy Ltd. Final details of the alliance will be worked out within the next few weeks, according to CeCo President Michael Stansberry.

Clayton Williams announces results

Clayton Williams Energy Inc. announced that it expects to report net income for 1997 of $7.2 million to $8.1 million or $.80 to $.90 per diluted share, compared to net income of $13.7 million or $1.76 per diluted share, for 1996. earnings were due primarily to the incurrence of approximately $7.6 million of 3-D seismic costs on exploration projects in 1997, including the Cotton Valley Pinnacle Reef play and other areas in the company's emerging exploration program.

Proved oil and gas reserves at December 31, 1997 were estimated by independent engineers to be 8.4 million barrels of oil and 32.9 Bcf of natural gas. Discounted future net revenues at December 31, 1997, computed in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission guidelines, were $99.9 million.

Permian Basin Section - SEPM sets field trip

The Permian Basin Section - SEPM announces it 1998 field trip to the Big Bend area of West Texas.

Led by Dr. Richard Erdlac, Jr. of the West Texas Earth Resources Institute, members of the trip will be examining the major structural styles of deformation and the effects these structures have on hydrocarbon entrapment. Geologists, geophysicists and engineers will benefit from this opportunity to study the relationships which exist between folds, faults and fractures.

The field trip will depart Midland at noon on Thursday, April 16, and will return to Midland on Saturday night, April 18. All transportation, lodging, and meals and one guidebook are included in the registration fee of $295 (double occupancy).

The registration deadline is Monday, March 16, 1998. For more information contact Paula Mitchell at (915) 683-1573.

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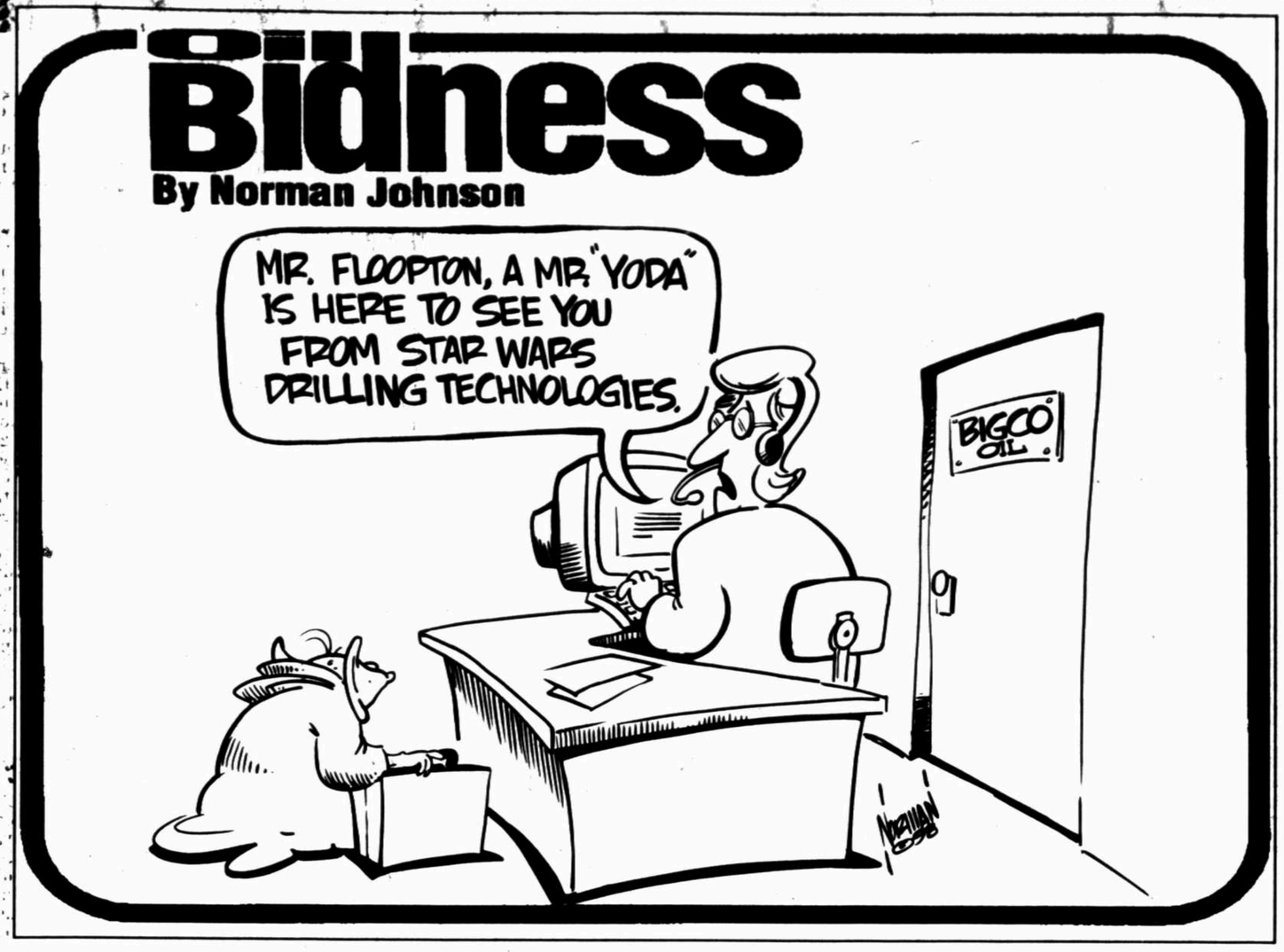
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RED LAKE UNIT #3
EAST RED LAKE; T
1200 FSL 2600 FWL
SPUD 8/12/97; COM
PBTD 1754; PRODU
THROUGH TREATE
1676; IPP 30 BOPD,
API # 30-015-29637
DEVON ENERGY C
EAGLE "27F" FEDE
RED LAKE; T17S, R
FNL 1650 FWL; EL:
9/9/97; COMP 10/4/9
2469; PRODUCTION
TREATED PERFS 1
BOPD, MCF-TSTM,
30-015-29630
DEVON ENERGY C
EAGLE "34I" FEDE
RED LAKE; T17S, R
FSL 280 FEL; EL: 35
8/26/97; COMP 9/12
2642; PRODUCTION
TREATED PERFS 1
120 BOPD, 180 MCF
30-015-29655
DEVON ENERGY C
EAGLE "34M" FED
RED LAKE; T17S, R
FSL 990 FWL; EL: 3
8/13/97; COMP 8/29
2550; PRODUCTION
TREATED PERFS 1
108 BOPD, 162 MCF
30-015-29644
DEVON ENERGY C
EAGLE "34N" FEDE
RED LAKE; T17S, R
FSL 2220 FWL; EL:
8/19/97; COMP 9/5/9
2649; PRODUCTION
TREATED PERFS 1
108 BOPD, 162 MCF
30-015-29645
DEVON ENERGY C
TURNER B #135
GB-JACKSON; T17S
2650 FNL 85 FEL; E
9/21/97; COMP 10/3
PBTD 3729; PRODU
THROUGH TREATE
3359; IPP 510 BOPD
30-015-29621
DEVON ENERGY C
TURNER B #110
GB-JACKSON; T17S
330 FSL 1700 FWL;
7/3/97; COMP 9/14/9
3780; PRODUCTION
TREATED PERFS 3
235 BOPD, 156 BWF
29572
PENWELL ENERGY
ANGELL "6" FEDER
FADEWAY; T20S, R
FSL 660 FWL; EL: 3
4/7/97; COMP 9/4/97
10696; PRODUCTIO
TREATED PERFS 9
100 BOPD, 1 MCFD,
30-015-29380
LOUIS DREYFUS NA
SHEEP DRAW "28"
HAPPY VALLEY; T2
1850 FSL 330 FWL;
7/1/97; COMP 10/2/9
3800; PRODUCTION
TREATED PERFS 2
BOPD, 5 MCFD, 146
015-29532

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COBRA OIL & GAS
GAINER UNIT #1
SO CROSSROADS;
22; 1294 FNL 39 FW
11/14/97; COMP 1/2
PBTD 12231; PROD
THROUGH TREATE
122231; IPF 204 BO
BWPD; API # 30-025
TMBR/SHARP DRLG
EIDSON "23" #1
SHOEBAR; T16S, R3
FSL 660 FWL; EL: 3
7/25/97; COMP 9/26/
PBTD 10372; PROD
THROUGH TREATE
10214; IPF 233 BOP
BWPD; API # 30-025
WISER OIL CO
MALJAMAR GRAYE
MALJAMAR; T17S, R
FNL 660 FWL; EL: 4
8/22/97; COMP 9/17/
4209; PRODUCTION
TREATED PERFS 3
147 BOPD, 57 MCFD
30-025-34063
CHESAPEAKE OPE
BLACKMON "21" #1
WEST LOVINGTON;
21; 330 FNL 2146 FW
SPUD 8/26/97; COM
12041; PRODUCTIO
TREATED PERFS 1
472 BOPD, 432 MCF
30-025-34106
MEWBOURNE OIL C
QPBSSU 7A #14

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BEACH EXPLORATION
RED LAKE UNIT #328
EAST RED LAKE; T16S, R28E, SEC 25; 1200 FSL 2600 FWL; EL: 3604 GL; SPUD 8/12/97; COMP 9/13/97; TD 1755, PBTD 1754; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 1660 TO 1676; IPP 30 BOPD, 0 MCFD, 1 BWPD; API # 30-015-29637
DEVON ENERGY CORP
EAGLE "27F" FEDERAL #11
RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 27; 1650 FNL 1650 FWL; EL: 3470 GL; SPUD 9/9/97; COMP 10/4/97; TD 2700, PBTD 2469; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 1869 TO 2347; IPP 47 BOPD, MCF-TSTM, 491 BWPD; API # 30-015-29630
DEVON ENERGY CORP
EAGLE "34I" FEDERAL #18
RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 34; 1740 FSL 280 FEL; EL: 3592 GL; SPUD 8/26/97; COMP 9/12/97; TD 2700, PBTD 2642; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 1931 TO 2427; IPP 120 BOPD, 180 MCFD, 349 BWPD; API # 30-015-29655
DEVON ENERGY CORP
EAGLE "34M" FEDERAL #26
RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 34; 330 FSL 990 FWL; EL: 3556 GL; SPUD 8/13/97; COMP 8/29/97; TD 2600, PBTD 2550; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 1693 TO 2265; IPP 108 BOPD, 162 MCFD, 289 BWPD; API # 30-015-29644
DEVON ENERGY CORP
EAGLE "34N" FEDERAL #28
RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 34; 330 FSL 2220 FWL; EL: 3600 GL; SPUD 8/19/97; COMP 9/5/97; TD 2600, PBTD 2649; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 1604 TO 2324; IPP 108 BOPD, 162 MCFD, 170 BWPD; API # 30-015-29645
DEVON ENERGY CORP
TURNER B #135
GB-JACKSON; T17S, R31E, SEC 20; 2650 FNL 85 FEL; EL: 3738 GL; SPUD 9/21/97; COMP 10/30/97; TD 3766, PBTD 3729; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 2814 TO 3359; IPP 510 BOPD, 132 BWPD; API # 30-015-29621
DEVON ENERGY CORP
TURNER B #110
GB-JACKSON; T17S, R31E, SEC 30; 330 FSL 1700 FWL; EL: 3638 GL; SPUD 7/3/97; COMP 9/14/97; TD 3824, PBTD 3780; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 3124 TO 3698; IPP 235 BOPD, 156 BWPD; API # 30-015-29572
PENWELL ENERGY CORP
ANGELL "6" FEDERAL #1
FADEWAY; T20S, R28E, SEC 6; 1980 FSL 660 FWL; EL: 3375 GR; SPUD 4/7/97; COMP 9/4/97; TD 11207, PBTD 10696; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 9360 TO 9378; IPP 100 BOPD, 1 MCFD, 159 BWPD; API # 30-015-29380
LOUIS DREYFUS NAT'L GAS CORP
SHEEP DRAW "28" FEDERAL #13
HAPPY VALLEY; T22S, R26E, SEC 28; 1850 FSL 330 FWL; EL: 3319 GR; SPUD 7/1/97; COMP 10/2/97; TD 4950, PBTD 3800; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 2530 TO 2550; IPP 42 BOPD, 5 MCFD, 146 BWPD; API # 30-015-29532

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COBRA OIL & GAS CORP
GAINER UNIT #1
SO CROSSROADS; T10S, R36E, SEC 22; 1294 FNL 39 FWL; EL: N/A; SPUD 11/14/97; COMP 1/26/98; TD 12231, PBTD 12231; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 12213 TO 122231; IPF 204 BOPD, 0 MCFD, 0 BWPD; API # 30-025-34201
TMBR/SHARP DRLG
EIDSON "23" #1
SHOEBAR; T16S, R35E, SEC 23; 1980 FSL 660 FWL; EL: 3973 GL; SPUD 7/25/97; COMP 9/26/97; TD 11890, PBTD 10372; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 10206 TO 10214; IPF 233 BOPD, 427 MCFD, 0 BWPD; API # 30-025-34068
WISER OIL CO
MALJAMAR GRAYBURG UNIT #127
MALJAMAR; T17S, R32E, SEC 4; 660 FNL 660 FWL; EL: 4162 GL; SPUD 8/22/97; COMP 9/17/97; TD 4525, PBTD 4209; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 3862 TO 4022; IPP 147 BOPD, 57 MCFD, 8 BWPD; API # 30-025-34063
CHESAPEAKE OPER INC
BLACKMON "21" #1
WEST LOVINGTON; T16S, R36E, SEC 21; 330 FNL 2146 FWL; EL: 3906 GL; SPUD 8/26/97; COMP 10/22/97; TD 12041; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 11773 TO 11838; IPF 472 BOPD, 432 MCFD, 0 BWPD; API # 30-025-34106
MEWBOURNE OIL CO
QPBSSU 7A #14
QUERECHO PLAINS; T18S, R32E, SEC 27; 1000 FNL 1800 FEL; EL: 3741 GL; SPUD 11/11/97; COMP 12/20/97; TD 8650, PBTD 8580; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 8490 TO 8526; IPP 69 BOPD, 68 MCFD, 154 BWPD; API # 30-025-33847
STEVENS & TULL INC
STATE E #1
EUMONT; REENTRY OF HAMON OPER CO, STATE E 8913 #1, P&A, OLD TD 11457; T20S, R36E, SEC 20; 660 FNL 660 FWL; EL: 3622 GL; REENTERED 3/28/96; COMP 1/1/98; TD 11457, PBTD 3895; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 3882 TO 3822; IPF 85 BOPD, 124 MCFD, 20 BWPD; API # 30-025-21258
ME-TEX OIL & GAS INC
J COOPER #1
NW SKAGGS; T20S, R37E, SEC 3; 560 FNL 1864 FEL; EL: 3561 GL; SPUD 12/1/97; COMP 1/7/98; TD 7100, PBTD 6980; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 6735 TO 6838; IPF 145 BOPD, 3657 MCFD, 10 BWPD; API # 30-025-34206
MARATHON OIL CO
HANSEN STATE #8
SE MONUMENT; T20S, R37E, SEC 16; 1650 FNL 1890 FEL; EL: 3354 GL; SPUD 12/7/97; COMP 1/6/98; TD 7776, PBTD 7675; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7057 TO 7258; IPF 68 BOPD, 1854 MCFD, 38 BWPD; API # 30-025-34203

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ANDREWS COUNTY

CROSS TIMBERS OPERATING COMPANY
STATE UNIVERSITY AO #10
UNIVERSITY BLK 9 (DEVONIAN); UL SUR, BLK 9, SEC 10; 891 FWL 2001 FSL OF UNIT; 12 MILES SW OF ANDREWS; EL: 3197 KB; CONTR: FWA DRLG; SPUD 5/26/97; COMP 7/10/97; TD 10713, PBTD 10495; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 10396 TO 10482; IPP 237 BOPD, 47 MCFD, 64 BWPD; PERMIT # 461332; API # 42-003-38202
SUNRAY ENERGY INC
STATE UNIVERSITY -BJ- #7
COWDEN, NORTH; UL SUR, BLK 9, SEC 40; 660 FNL 2200 FWL OF UNIT; 12 MILES S OF ANDREWS; EL: 3134 GR; CONTR: V&B DRLG; SPUD 3/9/97; COMP 3/16/97; TD 5414, PBTD 5342; IPP 16 BOPD, 5 MCFD, 21 BWPD; PERMIT # 459443; API # 42-003-38171
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY
UNIVERSITY -P- #2
GOLDSMITH, N (SAN ANDRES); UL SUR, BLK 11, SEC 13; 660 FWL 883 FNL OF UNIT; 15 MILES SW OF ANDREWS; EL: 3297 RKB; SPUD 6/13/97; COMP 7/3/97; TD 8270, PBTD 4420; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4329 TO 4343; IPP 18 BOPD, 20 MCFD, 15 BWPD; PERMIT # 461479; API # 42-003-33858

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

ARCO PERMIAN
TOM RANCH "42" #1
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO SUR, BLK 35, T1S, SEC 42; 2300 FNL 2000 FEL OF UNIT; 17 MILES E OF MIDLAND; EL: 2648 GR; CONTR: JSM; SPUD 11/4/97; COMP 12/4/97; TD 9900, PBTD 9880; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7580 TO 9230; IPP 22 BOPD, 10 MCFD, 228 BWPD; PERMIT # 467977; API # 42-173-32826

HOWARD COUNTY

EXXON CORP
EAST VEALMOOR UNIT #41A
VEALMOOR, E; H&TC RR CO/W. V. RUTLEDGE, A-1351, SEC 20, BLK 27; 5804 FNL 2977 FEL OF UNIT; 19 MILES NE OF BIG SPRING; EL: 2556 DF; CONTR: JONES; SPUD 10/22/97; COMP 11/18/97; TD 7500, PBTD 7302; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7292 TO 7298; IPP 436 BOPD, 342 MCFD, 262 BWPD; PERMIT #

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WILDCATS

SOUTHEAST NEW MEXICO

CHAVES COUNTY

YATES PET CORP
BUTKIS DEEP UNIT #1
WILDCAT; T13S, R31E, SEC 9; 1723 FSL 2006 FWL; EL: 4093; SPUD 9/19/97; P&A 11/25/97; TD 11580; API # 30-005-21149

EDDY COUNTY

YATES PET CORP
INDIAN HILLS ARG ST #1
WILDCAT; T21S, R24E, SEC 36; 660 FSL 660 FWL; 11 MILES W OF CARLSBAD; ROT 10700 MORROW; API # 30-015-27728
SONAT EXPLORATION
LOTOS FEDERAL #803
WILDCAT; T24S, R31E, SEC 8; 1980 FSL 1980 FWL; 16 MILES E OF MALAGA; ROT 8500 BONE SPRING; API # 30-015-30042
SONAT EXPLORATION
LOTOS "C" FEDERAL #903
WILDCAT; T24S, R31E, SEC 9; 1980 FNL 660 FEL; 16.5 MILES E OF MALAGA; ROT 8700 BONE SPRING; API # 30-015-33043

LEA COUNTY

SHAHARA OPER CO
NELSON "24" #2
WILDCAT; T19S, R36E, SEC 24; 660-FSL 990 FWL; 3 MILES NW OF MONUMENT; ROT 5400 PADDOCK; API # 30-025-34305
SHAHARA OPER CO
STAR "24" #1
WILDCAT; T19S, R36E, SEC 24; 990 FSL 1850 FWL; 3 MILES NW OF MONUMENT; ROT 5400 PADDOCK; API # 30-025-34304
POGO PROD CO
ARROW "36" FEDERAL #1
WILDCAT; T21S, R32E, SEC 36; 1980 FNL 1980 FWL; 10 MILES SE OF HALFWAY; ROT 9100 BONE SPRING; API # 30-025-34303
PENWELL ENERGY INC
TOMCAT "16" STATE #2
WILDCAT; T23S, R32E, SEC 16; 660 FSL 660 FWL; 15.5 MILES NW OF OCHOA; ROT 8800 DELAWARE; API # 30-025-34306

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CROCKETT COUNTY

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HENDERSON 26 #1
WILDCAT-;D HE&WT RR CO/J. R. TALLEYSUR, A-5277, BLK ST, SEC 26; 794 FNL 679 FWL OF LSE; 794 FNL 679 FWL OF SUR; 12 MILES SW OF OZONA; OBJ: 9500; PERMIT # 473235; API # 42-105-38035

SUTTON COUNTY

LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
BLOODWORTH 11 #1
WILDCAT-D; GC&SF RR CO SUR, A-196, BLK H, SEC 11; 1095 FSL 705 FEL OF LSE; 1095 FSL 705 FEL OF SUR; 13 MILES SW OF SONORA; OBJ: 9000; PERMIT # 473214; API # 42-435-34793

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ANDREWS COUNTY

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BOURG #2
WILDCAT-D; PSL/MRS. J. J. DAVIS SUR, A-368, BLK A-26, SEC 16; 660 FWL 1891 FNL OF LSE; 1998 FEL 1891 FNL OF SUR; 20 MILES NW OF ANDREWS; OBJ: 8500; PERMIT # 473266; API # 42-003-38371

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UNIVERSITY 47-21 #5H
WILDCAT-D; HORIZONTAL WELL; UL SUR, BLK 21, SEC 47; 780 FSL 467 FEL OF LSE; 780 FSL 2173 FWL OF SUR; 5.6 MILES SW OF WINK; OBJ: 7300; PERMIT # 468672; API #42-495-32706

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LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP
PITCHFORK-TOREADOR B H 21 #1
WILDCAT-D; R M THOMPSON SUR, A-549, BLK AB, SEC 21; 1043 FNL 1663 FEL OF LSE; 1043 FNL 1663 FEL OF SUR; 15 MILES E OF SPUR; OBJ: 4200; PERMIT # 473275; API # 42-125-30690

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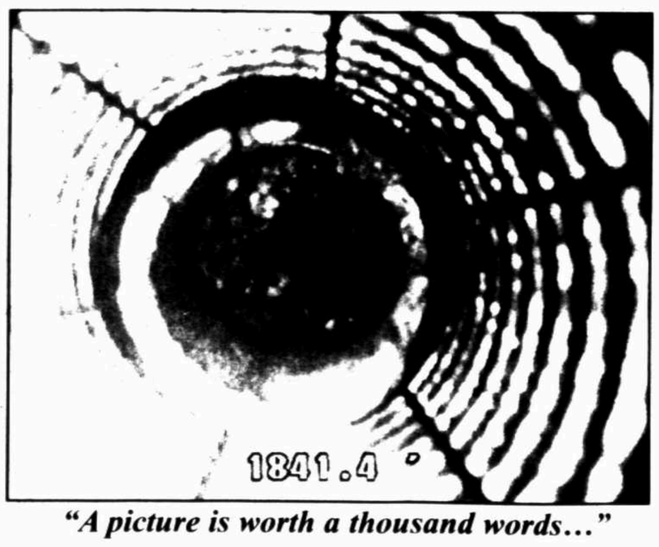
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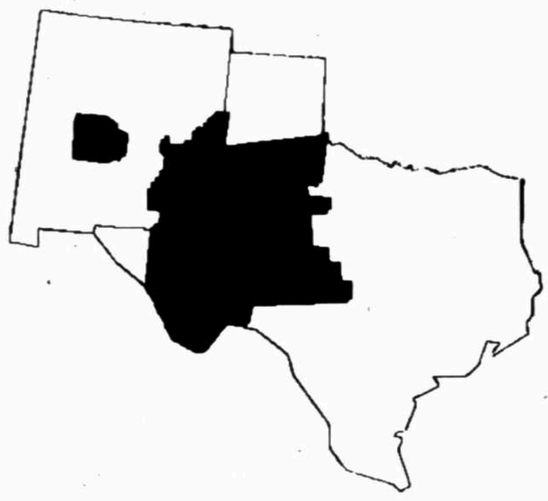
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GOTHIC ENERGY CORPORATION
JOHNSON "45" #2
PINAL DOME (CHERRY CANYON); PSL SUR, BLK 76, SEC 45; 655 FSL 1995 FEL OF UNIT; 12.9 MILES N OF MENTONE; EL: 3026; CONTR: PATTERSON DRLG; SPUD 11/21/97; COMP 12/4/97; TD 7110, PBTD 6951; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 6334 TO 8452; IPF 43 BOPD, 150 MCFD, 160 BWPD; PERMIT # 470050; API # 42-301-31091

MARTIN COUNTY

CAMPANA PETROLEUM CO
APPLE #1
PLEASURE LAKE (FUSSELMAN); T&P RR CO SUR, BLK 35, T1N, SEC 25; 467 FWL 950 FSL OF UNIT; 10 MILES NE OF STANTON; EL: 2473 GR; CONTR: BIG DOG DRLG; SPUD 12/12/97; COMP 1/8/98; TD 10750, PBTD 10690; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 10608 TO 10652; IPF 156 BOPD, 61 MCFD, 1 BWPD; PERMIT # 469867; API # 42-317-34131

MIDLAND COUNTY

ARCO PERMIAN
JUNE T. LYNCH "47" #3
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO SUR, BLK 41, T3S, SEC 47; 660 FEL 1980 FNL OF UNIT; 21 MILES SW OF MIDLAND; EL: 2899 GR; CONTR: FWA; SPUD 9/17/97; COMP 9/30/97; TD 9955, PBTD 9929; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 8160 TO 9740; IPP 39 BOPD, 25 MCFD, 193 BWPD; PERMIT # 466594; API # 42-329-33871
ARCO PERMIAN
R. A. B. DAVIDSON #5
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO SUR, BLK 40, T4S, SEC 34; 676 FEL 3300 FSL OF UNIT; 24 MILES SW OF MIDLAND; EL: 2833 GR; CONTR: JSM; SPUD 8/24/97; COMP 9/7/97; TD 10095, PBTD 10013; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7770 TO 9880; IPP 85 BOPD, 30 MCFD, 168 BWPD; PERMIT # 465403; API # 42-329-33829
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SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); L. ANDREWS SUR, BLK 38, T2S; 700 FNL 660 FWL OF UNIT; 10 MILES NW OF SPRABERRY; EL: 2742 GL; CONTR: HURT; SPUD 6/27/97; COMP 7/22/97; TD 9405, PBTD 9361; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7647 TO 9233; IPP 34 BOPD, 40 MCFD, 95 BWPD; PERMIT # 464253; API # 42-329-33794
TEXACO E&P INC
MIDLAND "AU" FEE #1
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO SUR, BLK 39, T4S, SEC 17; 1589 FNL 2454 FEL OF UNIT; 21 MILES SE OF MIDLAND; EL: 2707 GR; CONTR: NABORS; SPUD 9/19/95; COMP 4/9/96; TD 13570, PBTD 9214; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7284 TO 9919; NO TEST; PERMIT # 469696; API # 42-329-33367
ARCO PERMIAN
DAVIDSON "34" #3
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO SUR, BLK 40, T4S, SEC 34; 660 FSL 660 FEL OF UNIT; 23 MILES S OF MIDLAND; EL: 2832 GR; CONTR: JSM; SPUD 7/8/97; COMP 7/24/97; TD 10160, PBTD 10142; IPP 46 BOPD, 33 MCFD, 131 BWPD; PERMIT # 462037; API # 42-329-33738

PECOS COUNTY

BC OPERATING INC
STATE SULLIVAN "C" #9
BROWN & THORP (CLEARFORK); H&GN RR CO SUR, BLK 11, SEC 58; 1700 FNL 1000 FEL OF UNIT; 1 MILE SW OF GIRVIN; EL: 2367 GL; CONTR: J C WELLS DRLG; SPUD 10/10/96; COMP 10/25/96; TD 3302, PBTD 3254; IPP 17 BOPD, MCF-TSTM, 64 BWPD; PERMIT # 451678; API # 42-371-36623

STERLING COUNTY

STELLER ENERGY & INVESTMENT CORP
FOSTER-ROSE #1
CONGER (PENN); H&TC RR CO SUR, BLK 22, SEC 23; 660 FSL 660 FWL OF UNIT; 11 MILES W OF STERLING CITY; EL: 2544 RKB; CONTR: CAPSTAR; SPUD 12/15/97; COMP 1/1/98; TD 8100, PBTD 8005; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7583 TO 8005; IPF 25 BOPD, 225 MCFD, 17 BWPD; PERMIT # 470691; API # 42-431-32905
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COUNCIL #715
SUGG RANCH (CANYON DIST 08); H&TC RR CO SUR, BLK 7, SEC 15; 3350 FEL 660 FSL OF UNIT; 14 MILES SW OF STERLING CITY; EL: 2600 KB; CONTR: WES-TEX DRLG; SPUD 4/28/97; COMP 4/29/97; TD 8079, PBTD 7635; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 6497 TO 7685; IPP 3 BOPD, 107 MCFD, 0 BWPD; PERMIT # 455617; API # 42-431-31967

WARD COUNTY

ENRON OIL & GAS COMPANY
UNIVERSITY 18-36 #2
WAR-WINK, W. (WOLFCAMP); UL SUR, BLK 18, SEC 36; 660 FWL 2175 FNL OF UNIT; 14 MILES NW OF PYOTE; EL: 2810 GR; CONTR: PATTERSON DRLG; SPUD 11/23/97; COMP 12/1/97; TD 11800, PBTD 11718; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 11409 TO 11550; IPF 322 BOPD, 339 MCFD, 60 BWPD; PERMIT # 470011; API # 42-475-34526
PIONEER NATURAL RES USA INC
WARWINK UNIVERSITY 18-26 "A" #1
WAR-WINK, W. (WOLFCAMP); UL SUR, BLK 18, SEC 26; 660 FWL 660 FSL OF UNIT; 15 MILES NW OF PYOTE; EL: 2826 KB; CONTR: LAKOTA; SPUD 12/3/97; COMP 1/3/98; TD 11700, PBTD 11652; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 11432 TO 115680; IPF 118 BOPD, 126 MCFD, 45 BWPD; PERMIT # 470337; API # 42-475-34529
CHEVRON USA INC
HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN #1550
H. S. A. (SAN ANDRES); G&MMB&A SUR, BLK N, SEC 82; 2970 FSL 14850 FWL OF UNIT; 6 MILES SW OF MONAHANS; EL: 2578 GL ;CONTR: ROD RIC; SPUD 6/7/97; COMP 8/11/97; TD 3911, PBTD 3862; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 3746 TO 3820; IPP 14 BOPD, 1 MCFD, 5 BWPD; PERMIT # 449221; API # 42-475-34383
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P. C. HILL STATE "A" #5
QUITO, WEST (DELAWARE); W&NW RR CO/MONNIG DRY GOOD CO SUR, SEC 12, BLK 1; 1250 FSEL 1401 FSWL OF UNIT; 9 MILES N OF BARSTOW; EL: 2621 GL; CONTR: BRW; SPUD 7/1/97; COMP 7/10/97; TD 4995; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4846 TO 4874; IPP 19 BOPD, 33 MCFD, 102 BWPD; PERMIT # 462023; API # 42-475-34479
ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORPORATION
CAPRITO 83 #9
ABRAXAS (CHERRY CANYON); G&MMB&A SUR, BLK F, SEC 83; 1925 FSL 1980 FWL OF UNIT; 2 MILES N OF PYOTE; EL: 2652 GL; CONTR: PATTERSON DRLG; SPUD 7/4/97; COMP 11/21/97; TD 7050, PBTD 7005; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 5681 TO 6741; IPP 10 BOPD, 32 MCFD, 73 BWPD; PERMIT # 462105; API # 42-475-34481
ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORPORATION
CAPRITO 99 #8
ABRAXAS (CHERRY CANYON); G&MMB&A SUR, BLK F, SEC 99; 660 FNEL 2050 FNL OF UNIT; 2 MILES N OF PYOTE; EL: 2630 GL; CONTR: PATTERSON DRLG; SPUD 8/5/97; COMP 10/12/97; TD 7050, PBTD 7005; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 6610 TO 6795; IPP 57 BOPD, 263 MCFD, 280 BWPD; API # 42-475-34502

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COCHRAN COUNTY

GRUY PETROLEUM MANAGEMENT
POLVADO R L #5
LEVELLAND; ARMSTRONG CSL S/D #2 SUR, TR #7, LGE 134; 1520 FSL 880 FWL OF UNIT; 6 MILES SW OF LEHMAN; EL: 3812 GR; CONTR: NORTON DRLG; SPUD 11/8/97; COMP 11/15/97; TD 5050, PBTD 5000; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4775 TO 4949; IPP 25 BOPD, 13 MCFD, 135 BWPD; PERMIT # 469666; API # 42-079-32917
GRUY PETROLEUM MANAGEMENT
POLVADO R L #3
LEVELLAND; ARMSTRONG CSL S/D #2, TR #7, LGE 134; 200 FSL 880 FWL OF UNIT; 6 MILES SW OF LEHMAN; EL: 3812 GR; CONTR: NORTON; SPUD 11/15/97; COMP 11/22/97; TD 5050, PBTD 5000; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 4789 TO 4966; IPP 27 BOPD, 15 MCFD, 144 BWPD; PERMIT # 469672; API # 42-079-32919

DAWSON COUNTY

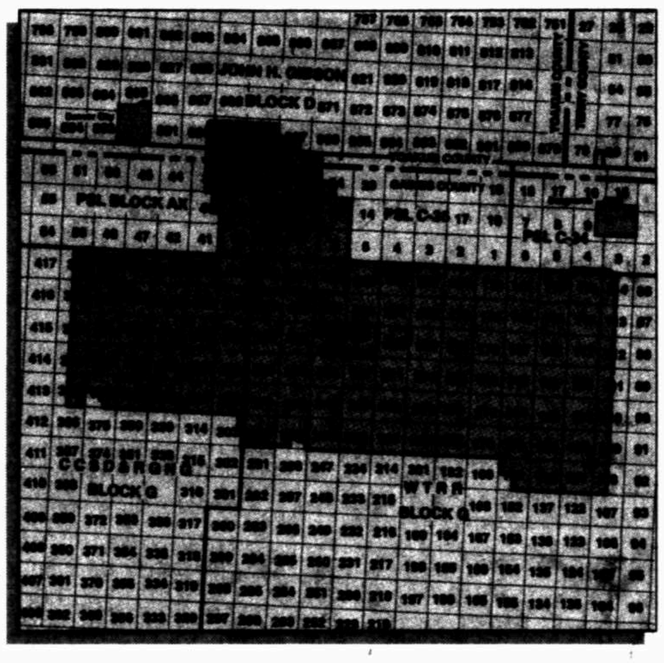
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ELIZABETH ROSE (FUSSELMAN); PSL SUR, BLK C-38, SEC 10; 483.6 FWL; 711 FSL OF UNIT; 3.5 MILES NW OF WELCH; EL: 3128 GR; CONTR: PATTERSON DRLG; SPUD 12/12/97; COMP 1/10/98; TD 12076; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 12040 TO 12076; IPF 275 BOPD, 0 MCFD, 0 BWPD; PERMIT # 470805; API # 42-115-33006

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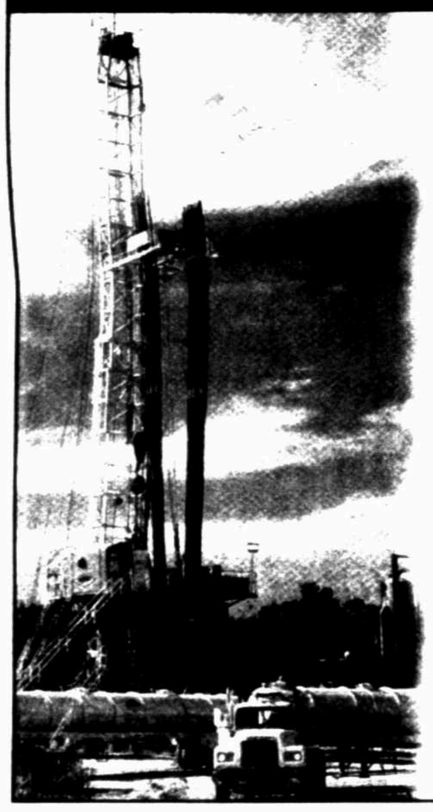
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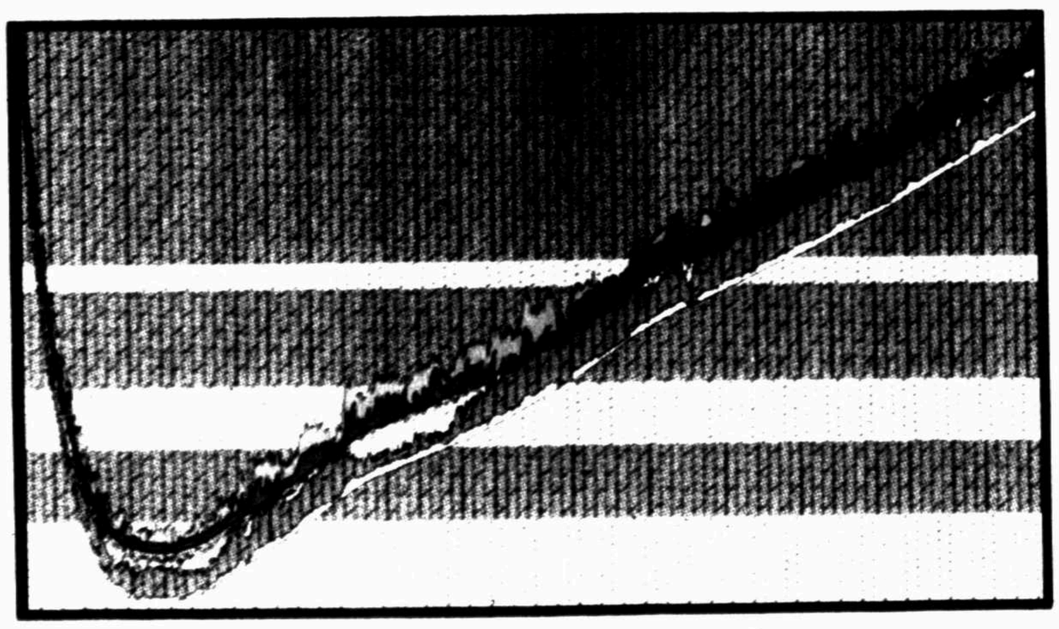
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