



House continues work on new farm legislation

By ROBERT GREENE
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Moving toward a major overhaul of subsidies for cotton and grains, the House narrowly defeated efforts to kill sugar and peanut programs that critics say keep big government in place and raise food prices.

The House did, however, stop a dairy plan that would have reversed the long slump in farm prices but raised consumer costs along the way.

The so-called Freedom to Farm bill ends the decades-old system of unpredictable spending for major-crop subsidies accompanied by government controls on planting. To ease the changeover, the bill gives farmers fixed, declining payments over seven years. The Senate passed its version Feb. 7 by a 64-32 vote.

The House was continuing work on its bill today.

Both the House and Senate measures scale down the peanut and sugar programs. But free-market conservatives and consumer advocates who wanted to kill the programs outright say they have no business at all in a bill that claims to make the biggest change in farm law in 60 years.

"This is a big-government program and it no longer needs to exist," said Rep. Dan Miller, R-Fla., whose effort to phase out guaranteed sugar prices failed 217-208. Though the subsidies are financed by the industry, critics say the price guarantees, production quotas and import limits keep U.S. sugar prices too high.

They cite a report by the General Accounting Office, the congressional watchdog agency, that said the program raised the cost of sugar and corn sweeteners \$1.4 billion a year.

But sugar growers and their allies pushed the jobs, trade and Cuba buttons, arguing that ending the program would mean a flood of low-cost, foreign sugar and eventual high prices enjoyed only by foreign growers.

"It's time to realize that the United States isn't writing all the rules," said Rep. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., a member of the International Relations Committee. "Fidel Castro's Cuba will reap the benefit."

The peanut program withstood a similar challenge, 212-209, after defenders said small farmers would suffer while cheap, low-quality peanuts flood America from

Argentina and China.

Critics cited a GAO report that said the program, with its production limits and price guarantees, adds \$500 million a year to the cost of peanuts.

Peanut-state lawmakers countered that peanut costs scarcely make a dent in store prices of everything from candy bars to peanut butter. They say manufacturers just want cheaper raw ingredients.

"This amendment is for the candy manufacturers of America and it guts the little peanut farmers," said Rep. Charlie Rose, D-N.C.

In a third vote, 258-164, the House stripped language from the farm bill that would have raised the minimum price of drinking milk and required it to be "thickened" with added milk solids other than fat.

The Agriculture Department said the plan would have added more than 20 cents to the cost of a gallon of low-fat milk over two years and added more than \$1 billion to the cost of school lunches, food stamps and other feeding programs over seven years.

House bill is H.R. 2854; Senate bill is S. 1541.

Squabbling stalls resolution on Whitewater investigation

Demos threaten filibuster over extension plan

By PETE YOST
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WASHINGTON (AP) - With Democrats threatening a filibuster over Whitewater and Republicans vowing to uncover the facts, the Senate investigation that has put President Clinton, his wife and White House aides under prolonged scrutiny is temporarily stalled.

On Wednesday, Democrats boycotted a Rules Committee meeting, leaving stuck there a Republican resolution that would extend the Whitewater investigation indefinitely. The inquiry, with Senate hearings that stretch back to last July, expires today.

For lack of a quorum - Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole was campaigning in South Carolina - the Rules Committee was unable to act on a resolution for an additional \$600,000 and open-ended Whitewater hearings. Democrats said Republicans just want to finance a politically motivated investigation deep into the presidential campaign season.

Earlier in the day, the Banking Committee voted 9-7 to continue the probe indefinitely.

Whitewater Committee Chairman Alfonse D'Amato declared the issue will be brought up today on the Senate floor. Democrats said they

will block debate. With the Republican-Democratic split at 53-47, Democrats could achieve that goal if no one breaks ranks.

Dole predicted the Democrats' tactic will backfire.

"If they want Whitewater to be the total focus of the Senate, that's fine with us," said Dole.

Picking up on that theme, D'Amato said, "It is now obvious that the Democrats are afraid of letting the American people find out the facts."

The Democrats' response is that Republicans have uncovered nothing improper in the long-running hearings.

Meanwhile, in a report prepared primarily by the law firm of Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro and submitted to Congress on Wednesday, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said it will not sue Hillary Rodham Clinton's former law firm in Little Rock, Ark., for its work for Madison Guaranty, the failed savings and loan at the center of the Whitewater affair.

The FDIC said the evidence it found "taken as a whole does not amount to convincing proof that the Rose Law Firm knowingly aided and abetted a fraud."

"This conclusion does not

necessarily mean that the evidence exonerates anyone; it simply means given the applicable legal standard and the statutory mandate under which the FDIC operates, that no reasonable basis has been found to recommend the filing of a claim." The Washington Post quoted the report as saying.

FDIC and Pillsbury attorneys interviewed Mrs. Clinton two weeks ago after billing records found in the living quarters of the White House showed Mrs. Clinton had worked on a Madison real estate deal that regulators later characterized as a "sham" transaction.

Ultimately the deal cost the thrift \$4 million of the \$65 million that the government had to spend to cover potential losses to Madison's depositors.

Republicans said a Democratic offer to extend the hearings five weeks - until April 3 - was unacceptable. They added that key Whitewater witnesses wouldn't be available until late April or May because of the six-to-eight-week criminal trial of the Clintons' former business partners. It begins Monday in Little Rock.

The White House released results of a poll, conducted for the Clinton presidential campaign, that said just 20 percent of the people questioned favored an additional \$600,000 for D'Amato's Whitewater investigation. Seventy-four percent of the 800 people polled opposed the additional money, concluded the poll by Penn & Schoen Associates.

The poll also said 66 percent considered the D'Amato hearings "politically driven to try to discredit the president by keeping old stories in the news as the election season approaches." Twenty-two percent of those polled said the inquiry was fair.

Sex assault trial recessed

Trial on punishment of a man convicted of aggravated sexual assault of a child was recessed Wednesday afternoon in 222nd District Court. The trial will resume at 9:30 a.m. Monday.

Before court recess, Judge David Wesley Gulley increased bond of the defendant, Juan Alonzo, 20, to \$50,000. Previously free on a \$5,000 bond, Alonzo was being held Thursday in Deaf Smith County jail in lieu of \$50,000 bond.

Alonzo was found guilty of the charge by a jury after more than three hours of deliberation Tuesday evening.

Testimony on punishment began

Happy Leap Day '96!



Very special birthday wish

Becky Reinart presents City of Hereford inspector Butch Casey with a special birthday card commemorating his 10th birthday today. Casey was a Leap Day, which means he only celebrates official birthdays every four years. While it is only his 10th birthday, Casey marks a milestone today -- he turns 40 in "real" years.

Forget the gray hair: Granny's 20 today!

ASHFORD, W.Va. (AP) - Don't let her gray hair fool you. Lilly Hargis is turning 20 on Thursday.

And boy, what a celebration they're planning.

Mrs. Hargis was born on Feb. 29, 1916. Her actual birth date arrives only once every four years.

"She won't be a teen-ager any more," said her daughter, Della Hemphill of Dallas. "She's hitting 20 now."

Actually, Mrs. Hargis' birthday has been celebrated on March 1 in non-Leap Years.

"We always thought that was special having a mom with a Leap birthday," Mrs. Hemphill said.

At the end of each February, birthday or not, an avalanche of

cards and greetings arrives from Mrs. Hargis' 14 children, 50 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. Their photos fill the walls of her Boone County home.

Relatives are planning a party this weekend. Her children, who live as far away as Florida and California, plan to attend.

"This will be the first time in ages all the kids have been home," Mrs. Hargis said. "This one is going to be really fun. I think they're having a blast-off with a lot of surprises for me."

For her birthday, her son Winston Jr., has written a song on the guitar. The song's refrain says "Our favorite flower is Lilly my

mom."

He said his mother didn't seem to care that her birthdate came every four years because she cared more for her children.

"Now we're all kind of repaying her, because the girls grew up and got rich," he joked.

Having a Leap-Year birthday seemed to be more confusing to others than to family members, Mrs. Hemphill said.

"I remember telling a friend of mine (years ago) that my mother only had 10 birthdays. She said, 'no she didn't.' I said, 'Yes, she did,' and she said, 'How can your mom have so many children and still be 10 years old?' Mrs. Hemphill said.

Clinton, Congress agree to stiff sanctions against Cuba

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton and the Congress agreed on a hardhitting Cuban sanctions bill aimed at driving foreign investors from the island and shutting the door to any possibility of reconciliation with the Castro government.

The bill, rejuvenated and strengthened following Cuba's weekend downing of two American civilian planes, also could put the United States on a collision course with Western and Latin American countries that do business with Cuba.

House and Senate negotiators reached final agreement on the bill Wednesday within minutes after Clinton signed off on compromise language.

Cuban-American lawmakers, who led the campaign for a tough bill, were jubilant. "This is the most serious blow against Fidel Castro" since he came to power, said Rep. Robert Menendez, D-N.J.

The "Libertad" or "liberty" bill is expected to go to the House and Senate floors later this week or next week for what is certain to be decisive approval before being sent to Clinton for signing.

The most provocative measures in the bill would allow Cuban-Americans and others to sue foreign companies that make use of commercial property confiscated during the past 36 years of Castro's rule.

The legislation also would deny entry into the United States to any individual who traffics in confiscated property after the bill is enacted.

It writes into law all executive orders issued since the United States imposed a trade embargo on Cuba more than three decades ago, meaning that no president could lift the embargo without action by Congress.

Following the weekend attack off the Cuban coast, there was little doubt Congress could override a presidential veto to pass a tough sanctions bill. But GOP lawmakers insisted that they wanted the White House on board, to show Castro that Washington was unified in seeking his demise.

After daylong negotiations, they agreed to a compromise that allows the president to delay implementation of the lawsuit provision for periods of no more than six months if national interests are at stake.

"The president, in light of the incident Saturday, believes tightening the embargo on Cuba is a necessary step now," said White House press secretary Mike McCurry. He said the compromise reached was reasonable - "not necessarily ideal ... but certainly one that would further our objectives."

When the House and Senate first passed the bills last fall, the State Department urged Clinton to veto the legislation, saying it would flood U.S. courts and antagonize other countries.

Layoffs in future of Pantex plant

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) - The Pantex plant will be kept as a weapons assembly and disassembly complex, but the Department of Energy says up to 1,600 of the plant's weapons workers may be laid off over the next 10 years.

Pantex's total work force now numbers about 3,600, of which 2,315 are involved in assembly or disassembly of nuclear weapons, officials said.

Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary said Wednesday that as dismantlement work begins to slow down later this decade, the DOE anticipates downsizing would begin at Pantex in 1998 through layoffs and attrition.

Pantex's future workload is projected to decrease from dismantling 1,000 to 2,000 weapons a year to several hundred weapons a year based on DOE projections for weapon rebuilding, disassembly work and stockpile surveillance.

Olympic officials drop NM from United States

By PETE HERRERA
Associated Press Writer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - What's just below Colorado and between Arizona and Texas?

The answer, New Mexico, wasn't easy for the Atlanta-based Olympics ticket office, which insisted the state wasn't even part of the country.

Wade Miller encountered the geography gaffe Tuesday when he tried to buy Olympic volleyball tickets by phone and gave the agent his address in Santa Fe.

"She put me on hold, then came back and said she couldn't sell tickets to someone who lives outside of the United States. She said I needed to call my own national committee," Miller said.

Half an hour later, Miller was still trying to prove New Mexico has been a state since 1912.

"I asked them, 'You've never heard of Los Alamos, where they did all the atomic testing?' It's

right next to Arizona, underneath Colorado, next to Texas and Oklahoma, there is a state called New Mexico," Miller said. "We have a big city called Albuquerque."

The woman's supervisor was equally clueless.

"She told me, 'Sir, New Mexico, old Mexico, it doesn't matter. I understand it's a territory, but you still have to go through your nation's Olympic committee.'"

Not until Miller asked for the tickets to be mailed to Phoenix, where he also has a home, did he get some satisfaction.

Scott Anderson, managing director of games services for the Summer Olympics, promised Wednesday that the mixup won't happen again.

"Obviously we made a mistake," Anderson said, "and we want to apologize to everybody out in New Mexico."

Local Roundup

Snow chances gone, temps to climb

Hereford recorded a high temperature of 33 degrees on Wednesday, with an overnight low of 19 degrees this morning. No snow was recorded and there is none in the forecast. For tonight, look for partly cloudy skies with a low of 15-20 degrees and southwest winds at 5-15 mph. For Friday, expect mostly sunny skies and a high in the mid-50s. Winds will be from the northwest at 10-20 mph.

News Digest

WASHINGTON - Moving toward a major overhaul of subsidies for cotton and grains, the House narrowly beat efforts to kill sugar and peanut programs that critics say keep big government in place and raise food prices.

IRLEF, Wis. - Kirk Foley, his face and hands bloodied, his shoulders burned, his wife and five kids trapped in a burning home, stumbled up the steps to a neighbor's house and pounded on the door. "Nobody made it out but me. It should have been me," he told the neighbor. Foley's wife and children died in the fire Wednesday.

OSCEOLA NATIONAL FOREST, Fla. - Hippies, man, with the pungent odor of burning marijuana, flowers, feathers, beads, the power of music and the simple ideal that love can solve all the world's problems.

Those relics of the 1960s still live today in the Rainbow Family, a counterculture group that travels the country in beat-up cars and sets up camps deep in the woods.

Emergency Services

Emergency services reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Thursday contained the following information:

HEREFORD POLICE

A 30-year-old male was arrested

in the 100 block of Hereford Calle on a Curry County, N.M., warrant for aggravated assault.

Class A criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of New York.

Harassment was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F.

Class B criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F.

Class A theft was reported in the 600 block of Irving.

Officers issued six traffic citations. There were two minor traffic accidents reported.

Obituaries

LYNN ARNOLD

Feb. 29, 1996

Lynn Arnold, 70, of Amarillo, died Thursday in Hereford.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in Bell Avenue Chapel of St. Hubert-Gordon-Bla. Kburn-Shaw with Dr. Howard K. Batson and Chester O'Brien of First Baptist Church of Amarillo officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at West Park Cemetery.

Mr. Arnold was born in Lubbock and had lived in Amarillo for 12 years. He had owned and operated Dairy Queen restaurants in Canyon, Dimmitt, Tulia, Amarillo, Prineas and Hereford. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army and he was a member of First Baptist Church. He married Mary Walker in 1957 in Hereford.

Survivors are his wife, three sons, Lynn Arnold of San Antonio, Brad Arnold of Hereford and Gary Arnold of Marble Falls, three stepsons, Ted Coleman of Hereford, Rex Coleman of Amarillo and Joe Coleman of Phoenix, Ariz.; a brother, Wayne Arnold of Plainview; two sisters, Geraldine of Brownwood and Betty Phannell of Albuquerque, N.M.; and four grandchildren.

The family has suggested that memorials be directed to favorite charities.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF

A 23-year-old female was arrested for theft by check over \$20/under \$500.

An 18-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation.

A 20-year-old male was arrested for aggravated sexual assault of a child.

A 28-year-old male was arrested for driving while license suspended and bail jumping.

A 21-year-old male was arrested for burglary of a building and violation of probation.

Criminal mischief was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Volunteer firefighters were called out at 8:21 a.m. to an industrial accident at Arrowhead Mills.

EMS

Report not available.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Otelia Estrada, Mercedes B. Guzman, Annie M. Lee, Blasa R. Mancillas, Leonardo Martinez, Christina Nava and Oather T. Vardell.

Satellite now will be one more piece of space junk

By MARCIA DUNN
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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - It would have been a riveting drama: two spacewalking astronauts trying to grab a satellite while avoiding 12 miles of dangling, electrically charged cord.

NASA considered the idea Wednesday but nixed it after nearly a day of debate because space shuttle Columbia doesn't have enough fuel to get the runaway satellite.

To safely lay their hands on the satellite and its tether - which is still generating 3,500 volts of electricity - the astronauts would have made a grounding strap out of wire available inside Columbia and used tape for insulation.

Then, after grabbing the half-ton, spherical satellite - if they could - one man would have held it steady while the other one cut the tether.

To do this, NASA would have had to extend the 14-day flight by four days, with the rescue taking place on March 9. That's the soonest Columbia could have reached the satellite, given their orbital positions.

Columbia's seven astronauts had told Mission Control that they would go along with whatever their bosses decided.

NASA officials had ruled out a rescue immediately after the tether snapped Sunday night, citing the dangerous possibility that the shoelace-thin cord could wrap itself around the shuttle.

For some unspecified reason, they reconsidered and went through "the whole gamut of things that we might, could do, and it came back down to propellant margins are very, very slim," said Lee Briscoe, mission operations director. He added that there were a number of "secondary concerns" as well.

NASA managers also ruled out a close approach to the satellite to collect science data and try to determine why the cord snapped and the satellite later malfunctioned. Columbia will pass within 65 miles of the satellite on Friday.

The Italian Space Agency provided the satellite, which was never intended to fly again, and NASA supplied the tether and deploying system. Altogether, the experiment was worth more than \$400 million.

NASA mission scientist Nobie Stone said Columbia would have had to come within a mile of the satellite to conduct some of the more complicated experiments. What's more, there would be no way of gathering any scientific data once the satellite batteries went dead.

The batteries are expected to die today, turning the craft into just another piece of space junk. It's expected to re-enter the atmosphere and burn up in three to four weeks.

NASA also had problems closer to home Wednesday. A giant crawler tractor used to transport shuttles to their launch pads broke down, leaving Atlantis stranded en route. Atlantis is supposed to fly to the Russian space station Mir in March.

"It would be nice, actually, to have 100 percent successful mission," said Italian program manager Carlo Bonifazi, who wanted the shuttle to take a close-up look at the errant satellite. "We didn't get 100 percent, and we simply wondered if we could achieve a certain percentage at this point."

Royal couple ends speculation: divorce, not 'happily ever after'

By EDITH M. LEDERER

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LONDON (AP) - Everyone expected the fairy tale's sad ending. Princess Diana's announcement that she would agree to divorce was just the final confirmation that the marriage that captivated the world could not be saved.

Now come the hard questions: What will happen to the British monarchy and the beautiful princess who vows she won't "go quietly" and how much will she get in the divorce settlement?

The Times of London today reported speculation that Prince Charles, 47, will make a one-time payment of about 15 million pounds, or \$23 million.

Queen Elizabeth II would have to come up with some of the cash, it said, without citing any sources.

It took Diana more than two months to give Charles and the queen the answer they both wanted to hear: She will end her marriage.

Her surprise announcement Wednesday night caught Buckingham Palace off guard, and led to a new round of public feuding. She said her future title had been settled. The palace said details of the divorce settlement have not been decided.

"All the details on these matters, including titles, remain to be discussed and settled. This will take time," said a palace spokesman, speaking anonymously.

The palace said the queen was "most interested" to hear that the

34-year-old Diana had agreed to divorce the man she married in a spectacular ceremony at St. Paul's Cathedral on July 29, 1981.

The queen told Charles and Diana it was time to divorce after the princess went on television in November and discussed the breakdown of her marriage, her husband's adultery and her own. She also questioned Charles' suitability to be king.

The interview culminated several years of confessions and recriminations.

In June 1994, Charles admitted in a television documentary that he had been unfaithful. In November, Diana said her marriage had been "crowded" because of Charles' affair with Camilla Parker Bowles. She admitted to having an affair with former army officer James Hewitt.

Diana held a rare meeting with her husband Wednesday, and then authorized the following statement: "The Princess of Wales has agreed to Prince Charles's request for a divorce."

Diana will continue to be involved in all decisions regarding their children, Prince William, 13, and Prince Harry, 11, and will continue to live at Kensington Palace and maintain her office at St. James' Palace, the statement said.

"The Princess of Wales will retain the title and be known as Diana, Princess of Wales," it said.

The Times said today that Diana agreed to give up the prefix "Her Royal Highness" in negotiations with the queen's private secretary, Sir Robert Fellowes, who is also her brother-in-law.

Buckingham Palace made it clear that nothing has been decided, and that the princess' future title will be a gift from the queen.

The princess will undoubtedly receive a financial settlement, but money was not mentioned.

Press Association, the British news agency, said courtiers at the palace, whom Diana has called "the enemy," believe the princess issued the statement to ensure that the prince meets her bottom-line demands.

Her lawyer, Anthony Julius, defended the statement as "entirely appropriate."

"It was an exceptionally difficult decision and one which the Princess of Wales has taken with immense sadness and regret," he told BBC News.

"The negotiations will begin," he said.

A key element in the negotiations will undoubtedly be a future role for Diana, who has said she wants to be a goodwill ambassador for Britain.

"I'll fight to the end," she said in November, "because I believe that I have a role to fulfill."

With the divorce agreement, the legal proceedings could be quick and brief. Formally separated in December 1992 after 11 years of marriage, Charles and Diana have already exceeded the two-year separation minimum for an uncontested divorce.

The royal family is already well-versed in divorce matters - both Charles' sister, Princess Anne, and his aunt Princess Margaret were divorced.

The monarch is temporal head of the Church of England, which accepts divorce, but does not allow the remarriage of divorced people. Archbishop of Canterbury George Carey, the spiritual head of the Church of England, has said Charles and Diana's divorce "is in the best interests of all concerned."

Jobs, trade dominate Dole-Buchanan debate

By CURT ANDERSON
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COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) - Jobs and trade dominated debate between Sen. Bob Dole and conservative commentator Pat Buchanan prior to South Carolina's presidential primary, while former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander insisted he is still a viable candidate.

Publisher Steve Forbes, meanwhile, faced an uphill battle in South Carolina, where he has virtually no organization. Forbes said he planned to give Dole a strong challenge in New York, which holds its primary March 7.

The four candidates were scheduled today to face off in a debate sponsored by a local business group. Dole, who held solid leads in two independent South Carolina polls, said the forum would give him a chance to answer some of the charges leveled at him by Forbes' multimillion dollar ad campaign.

"I get tired of being the punching bag," Dole said Wednesday.

South Carolina's 37-delegate primary comes Saturday, just before an onslaught of primaries that will select 588 delegates to the Republican nominating convention.

Dole and Buchanan argued trade policy at separate events Wednesday in South Carolina. Dole appeared at

a BMW auto plant in Greer that employs 1,500 people, proclaiming it the kind of foreign investment permitted by free trade.

"We're here to talk about jobs and trade and competition - what it means to South Carolina," Dole said. He was accompanied by Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, his former rival for the nomination.

"I think that in the end, Bob Dole is going to be the nominee," Gramm said.

Looking for momentum after winning primaries in North and South Dakota on Tuesday, Dole shook hands with some of the German automaker's 1,500 South Carolina workers during a shift change and sat in a replica of the Z3 roadster used in the James Bond film, "Goldeneye."

"I want to be in the driver's seat after Saturday," Dole wisecracked.

Two separate polls in South Carolina show Dole leading Buchanan by as much as 15 percentage points.

A telephone poll by Mason-Dixon of 390 likely primary voters found Dole had 35 percent and Buchanan 24 percent.

A telephone poll by MarketSearch Corp., a Columbia-based market research company, found 36 percent for Dole and 21 percent for Buchanan.

Foreign labor not needed, groups tell committee

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT
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WASHINGTON (AP) - There's no need for Congress to reinstate a program allowing Mexicans and other foreign nationals into the United States as temporary agricultural workers, farmworker advocates and immigration control supporters said Wednesday.

The Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday begins consideration of a huge bill dealing with both legal and illegal immigration. An amendment is likely to be offered that would revive the agricultural guest worker program.

While Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., has been mentioned as the most likely sponsor of the amendment, a Kyl spokeswoman said Wednesday that her boss hadn't decided whether to offer it.

Fruit and vegetable growers, ranchers and other agribusiness interests want the guest worker program, saying that the trend toward curbing illegal immigration will deprive them of a chunk of their current work force. The National Council of Agricultural Employers contends a "safety valve" is needed in times of labor shortages.

Since 1986, it has been a violation of law to employ illegal workers. The growers acknowledge employing many undocumented aliens, but say they do so because it's practically impossible to check work papers without facing discrimination lawsuits.

Farmworker advocates say the drumbeat for a guest worker program is a back-door attempt to keep a steady supply of cheap, docile labor instead of paying more for laborers already in this country.

"There is no need for this temporary farmworker program," attorney Bruce Goldstein of the Farmworker Justice Fund Inc. said at a news conference Wednesday. A huge pool of unemployed or underemployed legal workers currently exists, he noted.

The contemplated amendment doesn't include any caps, Goldstein noted. By some estimates, as many as 1 million foreign workers could be allowed into the United States under a new guest worker program.

The concern for many immigration-control advocates is that the workers would remain in the United States beyond their temporary authorization, adding to the ranks of the 4.6 million or more illegal aliens already living in this country.

The Labor Department estimates one-quarter of the 1.6 million seasonal agricultural work force is composed of undocumented aliens. Others put the figure much higher, perhaps as much as two-thirds of the seasonal work force.

At the news conference, the Center for Immigration Studies issued a study by an Iowa State University agricultural economist suggesting that if all current undocumented agricultural workers were deported, U.S. consumers would feel little pinch at the grocery store.

Many growers contend that supermarket prices would rise dramatically if they are deprived of their foreign work force.

But the study released by CIS, which favors immigration curbs, contends prices would rise by 6 percent or less.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 5, 10, 11, 22, 29 and 36. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$8 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-3-1 (zero, three, one)

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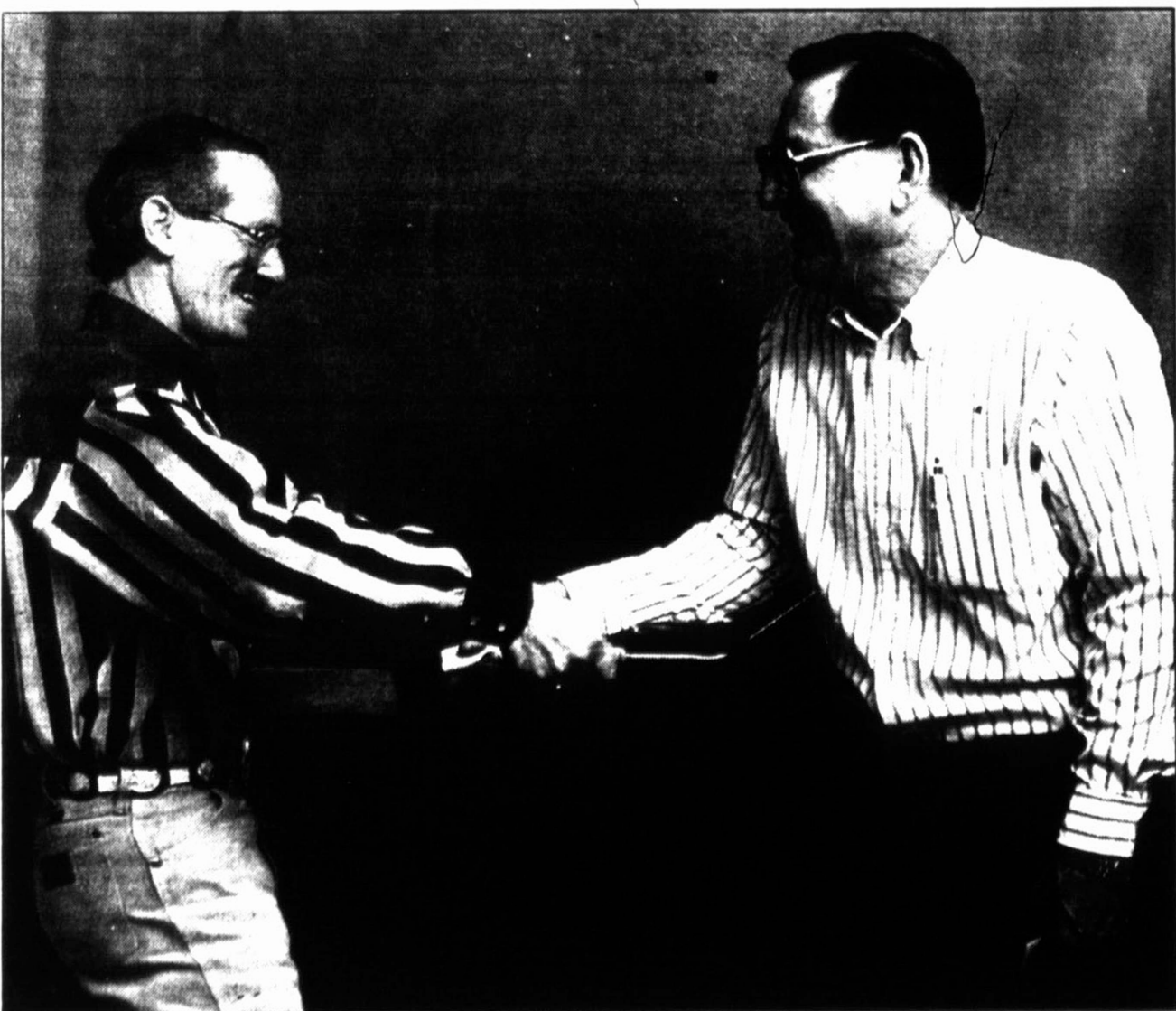
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Dueling pancake makers

Who is the best pancake maker around? Who flips them the best, makes them the roundest and burns the fewest? The "battle of the spatulas" between Hereford Lions Club president Larry Alley, right, and pancake supper chairman Mark Andrews will be settled tonight, when the club hosts its annual supper from 5:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Hereford High School cafeteria. Cost to attend is \$3.50 per person and tickets are available from club members or at the door. Proceeds from the supper will benefit Lions Club projects in Hereford and throughout the world.

Lifestyles

Students compete in art show



Two of the eight Hereford High School art students from Gayla Kimball's art classes who competed Feb. 24 in the first Visual Art Scholastic Event at Canyon High School qualified for the State Competition.

Crissey Barrick, a freshman Art I student, and Saul Perez, a senior Advance Placement Studio Art student, will compete April 13 in Arlington.

Other students who competed were Matt Cosby, Lauren Hansen, Carlos Martinez, Marissa Tarr, Francisco Vasquez and Carey Lyles.

Every student received a superior rating of "4", the highest rating that can be given, on every piece submitted. They also received a medal and certificate.



Art show competitors

Hereford High School students who competed in the first Visual Art Scholastic Event were, front row from left, Saul Perez, Matt Cosby, Carey Lyles; back row from left, Francisco Vasquez, Crissey Barrick, Carlos Martinez, Marissa Tarr; and, at right, Lauren Hansen. Barrick and Perez qualified for State Competition April 13 in Arlington.

New Arrivals

Keith and Gina Kalka are the proud parents of a daughter, Grace Katherine, born Feb. 23 in Hereford Regional Medical Center.

She weighed 7 pounds, 15-1/2 ounces and was 21-3/4 inches long. She was welcomed home by a brother, Keith Allen Jr., age 2.

Grandparents are Melvin and Bernadette Kalka of Hereford and Eugene and Jeanette Heinrich of Slaton. Great-grandfather is Frank Bezner of Hereford.

Veleda Club has regular meeting

The Veleda Study Club met for its regular meeting Tuesday in the home of Bettie Dickson.

The evening was spent playing "Crazy Bridge" and reminiscing about childhood games. Some of those recalled were jacks, annie-over, red rover and piggy wants a signal.

An announcement was made of the Open House to be held at the Deaf Smith County Library on Feb. 29 with author Jodi Thomas as guest.

The club voted to send a contribution to Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

Members present were Juanita Brown, Marcella Bradly, Norma Walden, Margaret Zinser, Frances Crume, Della Hutto, Mary Dziuk, Betty Gilbert and Dickson.

President Martin Van Buren's term ended on March 4, 1841. On that same day, William Henry Harrison was inaugurated. One month later, Harrison died in office and John Tyler became the first vice president to take office because of the death of a president. In 1841, the United States had three successive presidents.

What we today call the president's cabinet had its roots in George Washington's appointing the first heads of executive departments, and his seeking of the advice of these men. The members of Washington's first team were Thomas Jefferson, Secretary of State, Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Knox, Secretary of War, and Edmond Randolph, Attorney General.

Magic illusion show is scheduled for performance on HHS stage

The Hereford Police Department and the Deaf Smith County Sheriff's Department will sponsor MAGIC SPECTACULAR, a full stage magic illusion show, at 6 p.m. on April 6 in the Hereford High School Auditorium. Performing will be illusionist Dan Summers.

The price of admission is \$6 for children and \$7 for adults.

Proceeds from the show will benefit Hereford Rape Crisis/Domestic Violence office, which is now Family Support Services, a local

United Way agency. Magic Spectacular will conduct telephone ticket sales during the next few weeks. To make things easier should you receive a phone call for magic show tickets, the caller will announce that they are calling on behalf of the Hereford Police Department and the Rape Crisis/Domestic Violence office.

Should you decide to purchase tickets, they will send you a receipt along with the tickets. All checks should only be made out to the

Hereford Police Department and all checks and invoices should only be mailed to P.O. Box 2313, Hereford, Texas 79045.

For more information and to order special advance tickets you may call 800-976-7195.

Magic Spectacular is Summer's own stage revue. The 1-1/2 hour show includes the classic levitation, two illusions of Summer's own creation as well as illusions you have seen on national TV. The performance will close with a twist on traditional magic -- the metamorphosis.

Vatican committee releases document naming 45 greatest movies of all time

By DAVID BRIGGS
AP Religion Writer

"Ben-Hur" made it. "The 10 Commandments" didn't. "Gandhi," "The Bicycle Thief" and "The Wizard of Oz" all made the cut. Not "Casablanca" or any film starring Arnold Schwarzenegger or Jean Claude Van Damme.

Call it the Vatican's guide to the greatest movies of all time.

In a document marking the centenary of film, a Vatican committee has selected 45 movies - from Charlie Chaplin's "Modern Times" to Ingmar Bergman's "The Seventh Seal" - that represent the best film has to offer from the church's perspective.

For those who view religious groups as unrelenting critics of Hollywood, there are a few surprises.

The movies the Vatican gives two thumbs up to include a number of films that take a critical look at religion, including Roland Joffe's "The Mission" and Luis Bunel's atheistic satire "Nazarin," and the R-rated "Schindler's List," in which nudity and violence are integral to depicting the horrors of the Holocaust.

The faithful are advised to scour their video stores for films ranging from "It's a Wonderful Life" to "The Lavender Hill Mob."

The Vatican list - modestly titled "Some Important Films" - was compiled as part of a larger effort during the 100th anniversary of filmmaking to encourage the faithful to be discriminating viewers of movies, according to Archbishop John Foley, head of the Pontifical Council on Social Communications.

In the United States, the Catholic Communication Campaign last fall launched an 800 movie review line to assist individuals in choosing movies and videos for their families. The church's Office for Film and Broadcasting reviews current movies for the phone-in line, which logged 100,000 calls in its first four months.

Foley and about a dozen other experts on film, including movie librarians and academics, compiled the list, which was sent to bishops' conferences around the world.

Some considerations that entered

into the choices included opinion polls and the availability of films. The list is not exhaustive, the committee admits.

"It was not an attempt to canonize films, but it was an attempt to indicate what some good films are," Foley said.

The Vatican committee divided the films into three categories: religion, values and art.

Important films on religion, according to the Vatican list, included such familiar pictures as "Ben-Hur" and "A Man For All Seasons," the story of Thomas More.

Not all the movies selected presented flattering portraits of Catholics and members of the church hierarchy. In "Nazarin," hypocritical church members dump their priest for trying to live up to his faith by aiding a prostitute. In "The Mission," heroic missionaries in Brazil are undermined by a cynical church leader.

In the category of films that invite reflections on transcendence or spiritual values, the committee selected works ranging from

"Chariots of Fire," the story of two runners in the 1924 Olympics, to "Schindler's List," about the effort of one man to save hundreds of Jews from the Holocaust.

Other popular films on the list included Elia Kazan's "On the Waterfront."

The Vatican committee included a third category composed of titles "which are, simply, masterpieces of cinematic language and art."

These titles included films such as Walt Disney's "Fantasia," Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey," John Ford's "Stagecoach" and "The Wizard of Oz."

It all goes to show, said Foley, that excellent films can be made without pandering to violent or pornographic interests.

What the church is trying to do is to help individuals become critical rather than passive consumers of movies, he said.

"Individual's values can be influenced by what they see on screen," Foley said. "You can either have an elevated culture or a degraded culture."

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Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: After reading the letter from the man in Fresno whose wife, "Betsy," was conducting an on-line romance, I knew I had to write and tell my story.

Our 19-year marriage had been rather rocky, what with career problems, financial woes, children and other pressures. Then, my husband, "Ron," discovered the chat lines. Like Betsy, he said the erotic communication he was having on-line was a terrific diversion and all in fun. I didn't like it, but I didn't insist that he stop. I never dreamed he would go off the deep end and imagine himself in love with one of these women. Well, he did just that and is now convinced that he has found his soul mate.

Ron has never met this person, but he has decided to marry her. He insists that she is the embodiment of his lifelong fantasy and will give him a life of incredible happiness. He has no interest in marriage counseling and believes that fate brought them together and he has no choice but to follow his destiny.

Ron moved out of the house two weeks ago and has filed for divorce. Our friends cannot believe he is doing this. They think he is off his rocker.

Is this on-line computer thing an addiction? I believe it is. Before Ron moved out, he was spending several hours every evening chatting with this woman, and then, he would call her on the phone and talk some more. He did not get enough rest, and his work suffered. I honestly believe he is addicted. How else would you describe it when he is unable to get through more than a few hours at a time without contacting this woman?

Ann, I am stunned and heartbroken about what that electronic device has done to our lives. I truly believed our relationship was strong enough to weather anything that came along, but I was wrong. I have a good job and

many friends, and I know I can make it on my own, but I miss my husband, and our two young children miss their daddy. Sign me -- In Shock in Texas

DEAR TEXAS: I agree that it IS an addiction and more widespread than most people realize, although it sounds like your marriage had some cracks to begin with.

My mail is a solid indicator of what's happening out there. If it is true that misery loves company, you certainly have a lot of it.

You seem to be handling your problems quite well. Since you didn't ask for any advice, I won't offer it. I do, however wish you luck, dear.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I am amazed at the number of people and organizations that are perpetuating the myth that the end of this century is Dec. 31, 1999. Maybe you can help put the record straight.

The 20th century (and the second millennium) will not be over until a year later, on the last day of the year 2000. The 21st century will begin on Jan. 1, 2001. The first decade of the common era started with the year 1. There was no year zero.

Please, Ann, tell your readers who are planning "turn-of-the-century" parties to make their plans for five years from now, not four. America will look awfully silly to the rest of the world if we advertise that we don't know how to count to 100. -- Jeanne in Springfield, Va.

DEAR VIRGINIA: You are, of course, right, but a great many people are going to argue with you. I have given up on it. In due time, the experts in this area will straighten it out.

On Christmas night in 1776, Washington led his troops across the icy Delaware River in order to capture an enemy camp at Trenton, New Jersey. The Americans surprised a large force of Hessians.

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Sports

Jets lure O'Donnell away from Steelers

By The Associated Press
Neil O'Donnell, who quarterbacked the Pittsburgh Steelers to the Super Bowl, is moving to the New York Jets. He agreed this morning to a five-year deal, the Jets announced.

While the club did not disclose financial terms, the unrestricted free agent was expected to get more than an average of \$4 million a year, including a \$5 million signing bonus.

The Jets, who had the NFL's worst record last season at 3-13, avidly pursued O'Donnell and signed offensive tackles Jumbo Elliott and David Williams in an attempt to impress the quarterback.

The St. Louis Rams also expressed interest in O'Donnell, 29, whose value didn't diminish despite two interceptions in the Super Bowl that set up two touchdowns in the Dallas Cowboys' 27-17 victory over Pittsburgh.

The Arizona Cardinals, one of the NFL's least successful franchises during half a century in three different cities, also are making up ground in the 1996 signing season.

The Cardinals, who secured their two best players in defensive tackle Eric Swann and cornerback Aeneas Williams, picked up major help for the offense Wednesday when they signed six-time Pro Bowl left tackle Lomas Brown.

They hope Brown can anchor an offensive line for the Cards, who were 4-12 last year and in the playoffs only once in the last 21 seasons.

"You need a top-quality left tackle," Vince Tobin, the Cardinals' new coach, said after Brown signed a \$9 million, three-year deal to help shore up a line that gave up a league-

high 55 sacks. "You pay a lot of money to quarterbacks, and if they get hit on the blind side they could be out of there pretty quick."

The Indianapolis Colts matched the Jacksonville Jaguars' \$18 million, four-year offer to Quentin Coryatt and will get to keep their top linebacker.

Two other teams prepared offer sheets - the San Francisco 49ers for running back Rodney Hampton of the New York Giants and the San Diego Chargers for Miami Dolphins defensive end Marco Coleman.

Both Coleman and Hampton are transition players, and their old teams will have a chance to match.

Carmine Policy, the 49ers' president, said the team hoped to have an offer ready by Friday that would include a \$3 million signing bonus, the most in the team's history. The New York Times reported today the 49ers offered Hampton a six-year deal Wednesday night for \$16.5 million, including a \$3.6 million signing bonus.

Policy seemed to go out of his way to avoid offending the Giants and spent part of his day on the phone making calls to determine if New York would match it. He suggested several times that the Giants don't need Hampton because they have Tyrone Wheatley, their top pick last year, to step in.

"We are not structuring a deal that has a lot of gadgets, gimmicks or poison pills," said Policy, who added that he believed the extra \$2 million added to the salary cap earlier this week by Judge David Doty could help put the 49ers in position to grab Hampton.

Nazareth girls win in state semifinals

AUSTIN (AP) - Melinda Schmucker scored 24 points and Nazareth used swarming, full-court pressure defense to run away from Round Top-Carmine 58-27 today in the Class 1A semifinals of the girls' state basketball tournament.

Nazareth (35-2) will be seeking its 13th state title in its 16th state tournament appearance when it plays in Saturday's championship game against the winner of the Celeste-Zephyr semifinal, which was to be late Thursday morning.

Carmine, which was led by Gretchen Goebel with 10 points and six rebounds, finishes the season (25-4) after making its seventh trip to the state tournament.

The Swiftettes took an 11-4 lead after the first quarter and then began wearing Carmine down with their full-court pressure defense. Carmine had 29 turnovers that Nazareth converted into 26 points. Carmine could only generate eight points off of 20 turnovers by the Swiftettes.

Nazareth, which had 21 steals, led 25-11 at halftime and increased the lead to 40-17 with 54 seconds left in the third quarter before substituting liberally.

Schmucker, who has signed with Texas Tech, was unstoppable inside and outside. She hit 3-of-5 3-pointers and had five rebounds

and five steals. K'Lynn Gerber added 14 points and Misti Ball had 10 points, six rebounds and four steals for Nazareth. Misty Nelius added nine points for Carmine.

Here are the rest of the pairings for the girls' UIL State Tournament, being held at the Frank Erwin Center:

- Semifinals**
- Class 1A**
Nazareth 58, Round Top-Carmine 27
Celeste (35-2) vs. Zephyr (28-7) 10 a.m.
 - Thursday**
 - Class 2A**
Gunter (34-1) vs. Edgewood (33-2) 9:30 a.m. Friday
 - Ozona (35-2) vs. Poth (32-5) 11 a.m. Friday
 - Friday**
 - Class 3A**
Lindale (33-3) vs. Slaton (25-7) 2 p.m. Thursday
 - Groesbeck (34-2) vs. Liberty Hill (28-4) 3:30 p.m. Thursday
 - Class 4A**
Canyon (30-0) vs. Crosby (22-10) 7 p.m. Thursday
 - Cedar Hill (34-4) vs. Waco Midway (29-8) 8:30 p.m. Thursday
 - Class 5A**
Austin Westlake (34-2) vs. Amarillo (29-8) 3 p.m. Friday
 - Alief Elsie (38-0) vs. Georgetown (34-2) 7 p.m. Friday
- FINALS**
- Class A: 9 a.m. Saturday
 - Class 3A: 10:30 a.m. Saturday
 - Class 2A: 2:30 p.m. Saturday
 - Class 4A: 4 p.m. Saturday
 - Class 5A: 8 p.m. Saturday

Baseball squad faces Seminole in Levelland

The Hereford baseball team will take on Seminole at 5 p.m. today in the first round of the Lobo Invitational in Levelland.

It's the start of a full weekend, as nearly all of Hereford's varsity sports teams will be competing - although none will be in Hereford.

The tennis team will play Friday and Saturday in a tournament in Plainview, and the boys' golf team will play both days in Andrews. Both track teams will compete in one-day meets Saturday: the boys in the Lubbock Invitational and the girls at the Hawk Relays in Iowa Park.

The girls' golf team is the only team that is off this weekend.

The only HHS sports set for this weekend in Hereford is a baseball game between the Herd junior varsity and the Boys Ranch varsity. That starts at 4:30 p.m. Friday at

Whiteface Field.

The Herd baseball team (2-1) is in the short side of the 12-team Lobo Invitational bracket, meaning two straight wins puts Hereford in the finals at 3 p.m. Saturday at Levelland High School. Two fields will be used for the tournament, including the city park - where Hereford will play today.

The winner and loser of the Hereford-Seminole game will take on the winner and loser, respectively, between Levelland and Perryton. The losers play at 10 a.m. Friday; the winners play at 4 p.m. Friday - at the city park either way.

Other first-round matchups in the tournament are: Borger vs. Lubbock Christian; Canyon vs. Brownfield; Lubbock High vs. Dumas; and Lamesa vs. Denver City.

Boys' playoff pairings

DALLAS (AP) - Pairings for the University Interscholastic League boys playoffs:

- CLASS 5A REGION I**
Abilene Cooper (24-6) vs. Bullock County (26-5) 2 p.m. Friday at Chambers Center, Midland
- El Paso (24-7) vs. Westwood (24-7) 2 p.m. Friday at Chambers Center, Midland
- Championship: 1 p.m. Saturday
- REGION II**
Kimbrell (33-2) vs. Killeen Ellison (23-9) 6:30 p.m. Friday at Ferrell Center, Waco
- Carter (25-7) vs. Klein (25-10) 8:15 p.m. Friday at Ferrell Center, Waco
- Championship: 1 p.m. Saturday
- REGION III**
Alief Hastings (33-1) vs. Clear Lake (30-1) 7 p.m. Friday at Hoffman Pavilion, Houston
- Humble (28-5) vs. Alief Elsie (28-19) 8:30 p.m. Friday at Hoffman Pavilion, Houston
- Championship: 1 p.m. Saturday at Rice Center, Houston
- REGION IV**
San Antonio (24-6) vs. El Paso (24-6) 2 p.m. Friday at El Paso Center, El Paso
- San Antonio (24-6) vs. El Paso (24-6) 2 p.m. Friday at El Paso Center, El Paso
- Championship: 1 p.m. Saturday
- CLASS 4A REGION I**
Denton (30-2) vs. Eppendorf (26-7) 7 p.m. Saturday at Waxahatchee Baptist, Waxahatchee
- REGION II**
Madison (24-6) vs. A. Moore Smith (24-6) 7 p.m. Saturday at Spang, Spang
- REGION III**
Bay City (24-6) vs. Santa Fe (22-11) 7 p.m. Friday at Santa Fe, Santa Fe
- REGION IV**
Austin McNeil (30-4) vs. Aguirre (24-6) 7 p.m. Friday at Bergin Center
- CLASS 3A REGION I**
Coshram (30-4) vs. Seminole (23-11) 7 p.m. Friday at Lubbock Municipal Coliseum
- Jackson (22-12) vs. Slaton (18-13) 8:30 p.m. Friday at Lubbock Municipal Coliseum
- Championship: 1 p.m. Saturday
- REGION II**
Commerce (11-10) vs. Atlanta (28-1) 7 p.m. Friday at FTSI Field House, Commerce
- Fustaz (24-6) vs. Dingerfield (27-2) 8:30 p.m. Friday at FTSI Field House, Commerce
- Championship: 2 p.m. Saturday
- REGION III**
Hempstead (24-7) vs. Hardin Jefferson (21-2) 6:14 p.m. Friday at Sam Houston St. Huntsville
- Rusk (18-4) vs. Kountze (30-4) 8 p.m. Friday at Sam Houston St., Huntsville
- Championship: 1 p.m. Saturday
- REGION IV**
Luling (24-7) vs. Sintor (26-5) 6 p.m. Friday at Texas A&M-Kingsville
- Gonzalez (21-12) vs. West Oak (28-6) 8 p.m. Friday at Texas A&M-Kingsville
- Championship: 1 p.m. Saturday
- CLASS 2A REGION I**
New Deal (31-4) vs. Haskell (26-6) 6:30

UIL: no OT for prep football

AUSTIN (AP) - The University Interscholastic League has decided to open the high school football season next fall without the new NCAA overtime rule that will do away with ties in college football.

The UIL uses NCAA rules, but can make exceptions, and UIL athletic director Charles Breithaupt said Wednesday that the governing body wants to get input from coaches around the state and the UIL Legislative Council.

However, barring an overwhelming outcry against it, the new NCAA overtime rule will be used during the playoffs next fall, Breithaupt said.

"We're still looking to get back some surveys from coaches, and we'll seek input from the Council before making a final decision," Breithaupt said.


The UIL has been criticized for its use of a tiebreaker in playoffs. The UIL's tiebreaker system considers penetrations, first downs and total yardage, in that order, to determine which team advances whenever there is a tie at the end of regulation.

High school coaches have generally been against changing the tie-breaker, but Breithaupt said he anticipates the rule probably will gain acceptance when the NCAA begins using it for regular-season games.


The NCAA's Division I-A overtime rule, approved earlier this month for all college games, gives each team a possession at the opponent's 25-yard line at the end of regulation.

The overtime system is not sudden death as used in the NFL, and the clock is not a factor.

Don't you think a congressman who believes in term limits and has already had six ineffective terms in Congress should make room for somebody else?



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Knicks humiliated by Kings

By CHRIS SHERIDAN
AP Basketball Writer
It's been indignity after indignity for the New York Knicks on their West Coast trip.

The latest one may have topped them all.

New York blew a 13-point lead in the fourth quarter and was outbounded 64-36 Wednesday night in dropping a 90-85 decision to the Sacramento Kings, who snapped an 11-game losing streak.

It was the fourth straight loss and sixth in the last seven for the Knicks, who sank to a new low on each game of their four-game trip.

Against Phoenix on Sunday, J.R. Reid knocked out two of A.C. Green's teeth with a vicious elbow to the mouth that was seen on national television. The next night at Los Angeles, CBA call-up Matt Fish was the starting center due to the suspension of Reid and an injury to Patrick Ewing.

Then came Wednesday night's debacle against a team that hadn't won since Feb. 3.

Sarunas Marciulionis, activated from the injured list earlier in the day, made two 3-pointers in the final 1:41, including the go-ahead score. After Willie Anderson missed a 3-point try, Billy Owens converted an 8-footer with 23 seconds left to secure the win.

"We're frustrated, disappointed and mad," Ewing said. "We had this game won, but for whatever reason we just didn't get it done. This is a

game we had won and should have won. We are a better team than this."

"I'm very frustrated. We are so close to winning, but we're not winning. It's a lot of frustration for everyone," Derek Harper said.

In other NBA games, Seattle defeated Detroit 94-80, Orlando topped Miami 116-112, Atlanta edged Portland 90-88, Utah beat Washington 115-93, the Los Angeles Lakers defeated Vancouver 99-80, Phoenix trounced Minnesota 117-93 and Boston beat Charlotte 121-116 in overtime.

SuperSonics 94, Pistons 80

At Seattle, the Sonics won their 11th in a row.

Seattle pulled away after Shawn Kemp was ejected with 9:31 left and the Sonics leading 73-68. Led by Gary Payton's six points and five from Frank Brickowski, the Sonics responded with an 18-6 run for a 91-74 lead.

"I've never seen a superstar in this league get thrown out with 10 minutes left in the game when you know people come to see him. It was as if he was a rookie," Seattle's Nate McMillan said.

Kemp still managed to lead the Sonics with 23 points and 14 rebounds.

Detroit scored only 32 points in the second half after leading by 12 at halftime.

Magic 116, Heat 112

At Orlando, Shaquille O'Neal outplayed Alonzo Mourning, getting

31 points and 14 rebounds to Mourning's 18 points and 10 boards as Orlando improved to 29-0 at home and dealt Miami its first loss since Pat Riley shook up his team with three trades last week.

"To tell you the truth, I don't think I showed the competitiveness I usually show on a consistent basis. I told some of the guys: 'Hey, I didn't show up tonight,'" Mourning said.

Anfernee Hardaway just missed a triple-double with 27 points, 10 assists and nine rebounds, and Dennis Scott added 25 points.

Orlando led 91-89 going into the fourth quarter and pulled away by making eight of 11 free throws during a crucial two-minute stretch that made it 108-97. The Heat never seriously threatened after that.

Hawks 90, Trail Blazers 88

At Atlanta, Mookie Blaylock made a 3-pointer with 11 seconds left, and Portland's Clifford Robinson missed a last-second 20-footer.

Blaylock, who finished with 23 points and eight assists, nailed the game-winner after he and Craig Ehlo each missed.

"The fact that we were able to get some offensive rebounds at the end is what helped us win," said Christian Laettner, who had 15 points in his first start for the Hawks. "We kept passing it around. Craig missed a shot. We got the rebound. Mookie missed one, and we got another rebound and then Mookie nailed it."

The win was the third in a row for

Atlanta and left Lenny Wilkens, the NBA's career winningest coach, one victory shy of 1,000. He'll go for the milestone on Friday when the Hawks play host to Cleveland.

Jazz 115, Bullets 93

At Salt Lake City, the Jazz scored 20 of the game's first 22 points, let Washington pull within three in the second quarter and then broke the game open in the third period.

The Bullets trailed by at least 17 points throughout the fourth quarter.

Karl Malone had 26 points and a career-high seven steals, and John Stockton and Jeff Hornacek added 17 points apiece.

Lakers 99, Grizzlies 80

At Vancouver, Magic Johnson (pulled calf muscle) and Nick Van Exel (hip pointer) didn't make the trip, but Los Angeles still managed another victory. Cedric Ceballos scored 23 points and Eddie Jones 18, while Vlade Divac added 17 rebounds.

The Lakers are 11-2 since Johnson came out of retirement and have won 10 of 11 games and 19 of 24.

Suns 117, Timberwolves 93

At Minneapolis, Charles Barkley had 24 points, 11 rebounds and nine assists, rookie Michael Finley added 21 points and Phoenix shot 62 percent to move over .500 (28-27) for just the second time since Nov. 25.

Celtics 121, Hornets 116, OT

At Boston, David Wesley scored 33 points, including the go-ahead basket in overtime, as Boston snapped a five-game losing streak.

UMass escapes loss to St. Joe's

By The Associated Press
Massachusetts doesn't lose many basketball games. When the Minutemen go overtime, they never lose.

The second-ranked Minutemen needed five extra minutes to beat St. Joseph's 68-66 Wednesday night, their fourth overtime victory of the season and the 11th straight overtime win, a streak that dates to February 1991.

"No one's been in more games like that than us this season," said Marcus Camby, who had 21 points, 15 rebounds and his 300th career blocked shot in the latest over-40-minute win.

It was Massachusetts' first game since losing its first of the season last Saturday to George Washington.

"In the end, when we needed it, Marcus stepped up and went crazy," Massachusetts coach John Calipari said.

Going crazy entailed Camby hitting a turnaround jumper in the lane with 1:44 left to break a 63-63 tie. He then went downcourt and registered the milestone block. He rebounded the second of two missed free throws by teammate Edgar Padilla with 16 seconds left and the Minutemen (27-1, 15-1 Atlantic 10) leading 67-66. Padilla went back to the line and made one of two for the final margin.

The Hawks (13-11, 8-7) went for the win at the buzzer, but Terrell Myers' 3-point attempt bounced off the rim.

Myers and Reggie Townsend each had 14 points for St. Joseph's, which won its four previous games.

Hawks coach Phil Martelli let his team know it had a chance for the upset it almost got.

"I told them they had to lose two in a row some time, so why not now?" he said.

St. Joseph's had a 58-52 lead with 2:01 left, but didn't score again in regulation. The Minutemen tied it on a shot in the lane with 3.6 seconds left by Donta Bright, who had 15 points and 15 rebounds.

"We're just in a little bit of a funk right now," Calipari said. "I'm glad we're in a funk right now and we're not in a funk in two weeks."

In other games involving ranked teams Wednesday night, it was No. 4 Connecticut 78, Rutgers 66; No. 12 Penn State 78, Northwestern 62; No. 18 Georgia Tech 83, Florida State 68; No. 20 Iowa 69, Wisconsin 54; Marquette 80, No. 21 Louisville 79; and Kansas State 92, No. 23 Iowa State 87.

No. 4 Connecticut 78, Rutgers 66

Ray Allen had a career-high 39 points and a career-best nine

3-pointers as the Huskies (26-2, 16-1 Big East) closed their home season with a 15-0 mark.

The visiting Scarlet Knights (9-16, 6-11) led by 15 early in the game and were still ahead 58-57 with 7:45 left when Allen started an 11-0 run with a 3-pointer. Damon Santiago led Rutgers with a career-high 27 points.

No. 12 Penn St. 78, Northwestern 62

Pete Lisycky had 29 points as the Nittany Lions (20-4, 11-4 Big Ten) kept alive their slim chances of winning the conference title. They trail two-time defending champion Purdue by two games with three to play. Geno Carlisle and Joe Harmsen had 11 points each for the visiting Wildcats (7-18, 2-14).

No. 18 Georgia Tech 83, Florida St. 68

Matt Harpring scored 22 points and the visiting Yellow Jackets (19-10, 12-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) clinched the top-seeding for the league tournament and at least a share of the conference title. The win, Georgia Tech's sixth straight, also made Bobby Cremins the winningest coach in school history with a 293-170 record. James Collins had 14 points for the Seminoles (13-12, 5-10), who were without center Corey Louis, who was suspended for two games for violating team rules.

No. 20 Iowa 69, Wisconsin 54

Jess Settles scored 25 points, including 10 straight at one point, as the Hawkeyes (20-7, 9-6 Big Ten) overcame a 43-34 deficit with 13 minutes to play. Sean Daugherty had a career-high 22 points for the visiting Badgers (15-12, 7-8), while Jeremy Hall matched his career best with 19.

Marquette 80, No. 21 Louisville 79, 2OT

Aaron Hutchins hit a 3-pointer from the corner with three seconds left in the second overtime to give the Eagles (19-6, 9-4 Conference USA) the victory and spoil the return of Louisville center Samaki Walker.

Walker had 24 points and 12 rebounds after missing 10 games while the school conducted an investigation into the purchase of an automobile by his father. Hutchins finished with 23 points for visiting Marquette.

Kansas St. 92, No. 23 Iowa St. 87, OT

Elliot Hatcher and Aaron Swartzendruber each scored 22 points for the visiting Wildcats (16-9, 7-6 Big Eight), who made a season-high 13 3-pointers. Kansas State rallied from an 11-point deficit in the first half and was down five in the final 2 1/2 minutes of regulation. Kenny Pratt had a season-high 31 points for the Cyclones (19-8, 8-5).

Houston rallies past SMU

DALLAS (AP) - Tim Moore scored 27 points and Lonzell Gowdy hit a key 3-pointer with less than two minutes to play Wednesday night, rallying the Houston Cougars from a 12-point deficit to a 62-59 victory over Southern Methodist.

The hard-earned win put the Cougars into a second-place tie with the Texas Longhorns at 10-3. The two teams meet at noon Saturday in Houston to determine the SWC runner-up to champion Texas Tech. Houston increased its overall

record to 16-9 to keep the Cougars' hopes alive for a post-season NCAA bid. SMU dropped to 2-11 and 6-19.

The Cougars had to overcome 22 points by SMU's Jay Poerner and a confusing 2-3 SMU zone defense to steal the win.

Houston trailed 53-41 with 11:58 to play but held the Mustangs without a basket the rest of the way after a Poerner basket.

Skinner leads Baylor to win

WACO, Texas (AP) - Brian Skinner scored 22 points and pulled down 11 rebounds to lead the Baylor Bears to a 101-88 victory Wednesday night over the Rice Owls.

Doug Brandt and Diamond Mannon added 21 points apiece for the Bears (9-16, 4-9 Southwest Conference). Baylor led at the half, 46-31.

Tommy McGehee had 31 points, including 5-of-14 three-pointers, for Rice (13-12, 5-8).

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Four-day celebration held in 'Leap Year Capitol of World' Anthony, Texas, fetes those born on Feb. 29 in all-out birthday party

By ALLAN TURNER
Houston Chronicle

ANTHONY, Texas - For decades, this hamlet on the Texas-New Mexico line languished in obscurity beneath the cruel desert sun. It was a small place to raise onions. And the sand storms really weren't all that bad. But as for fame, glory, respect? Forget it.

An important state reference book mislocated the town by 20 miles.

Even die-hard Antonians shrugged when asked how the town got its name. Maybe it was named for the nearby mountain said to resemble St. Anthony's nose; maybe for a former resident named Anthony.

Who really cared?

But all that - the sneers, the yawns, the produce jokes - was before Anthony, Texas, population 3,328, crowned itself "Leap Year Capitol of the World."

Now Anthony gets respect.

Thursday - Leap Year Day 1996 - will bring as many as 10,000 tourists to town for a four-day party for those whose birthdays come once every four years. And the celebration will have been worth the wait.

There will be a parade, carnival, hot-air balloon flight, baseball and golf tournaments, marathons and an arts and crafts show. Savings bonds will be presented the oldest leap year baby and the one who travels the farthest to attend the festivities. And, of course, there will be a giant cake.

In retrospect, the idea of Leap Year Capitol of the World seems a natural for this town 20 miles northwest of El Paso. But for years, Leap Year Chairwoman Mary Ann Brown said, the chamber of commerce struggled in vain to come up with a lively idea for a festival.

They considered onions, cotton, pecans, chili. But all those already had been claimed by someone else, she said. "Things never got beyond the talking stage. One member even

said that Anthony isn't the capital of anything."

Then eight years ago, Brown - who will celebrate her 16th leap year birthday Thursday - talked things over with her leap year neighbor, Birdie Lewis, who will turn 19, and the grand party plan leaped to life.

No one else was doing it, the local auto parts store owner told chamber members. "I told them this was a guaranteed good thing," she said. "And I told them one of the best things was that we'd have to gear up for the festival only every four years. We'd have plenty of time to plan things."

The initial chamber response was mixed.

"Some just kind of looked blank," Brown recalled last week. "But there was one member, David Sell from the local Alpo dog food plant, who had a broader vision. He really supported the idea and we got it going."

Key to the plan, Brown said, was creation of a World Wide Leap Year Birthday Club - and, of course, a massive publicity campaign. Articles in area newspapers quickly brought 23 memberships. But, as the idea was broached at a Feb. 1 chamber meeting, there was little time to do more than plan a very small birthday party in 1988.

By the end of 1991, though, the World Wide Leap Year Birthday Club claimed 87 members. And the 1992 celebration, featuring a parade down Main Street, brought visitors from throughout the United States. Twenty-three leap year babies attended - the oldest born in 1920 - and the local Sonic drive-in reported its best weekend in 17 years.

As Anthony's fame has grown - the festival has received national television coverage - mail from leap year babies has poured in. Even a leap year child from Saudi Arabia wrote to inquire about joining the group. Club membership has approached

300, and chamber leaders can only conclude they've tapped a previously neglected market - those who feel slighted by a glitch in the Gregorian calendar.

Simply explained, the addition of an extra day to February every four years is necessary because it takes 365-1/4 days for the earth to make its annual orbit around the sun. The usual Gregorian year, of course, officially contains only 365 days.

As a result, some leap year babies always feel slightly out of step with the rest of the world. "When it comes time to celebrate," said local farmer Richard "Buck" Sommerville, himself not a leap year child, "they really celebrate. They have three lost years to make up for."

A lone leap year child in a family of 12 children, Birdie Lewis said she grew up feeling birthday-deprived. "I always felt cheated," the former Houston resident said.

Lewis, who will be 76 in conventional years Thursday, preferred to discuss only her leap year age. "A woman who will tell her age will tell anything," Lewis said. "I always say I'm not as old as I look nor as young as I feel."

"You always have to celebrate your birthday on Feb. 28," Brown groused. "Or, you could move it up 'til March 1, but then you're not even in the same month."

Debbie Apodaca, an El Paso woman who will celebrate her ninth leap year birthday in Anthony, joked that such once-in-four-years events are "great for husbands."

For some, the Anthony festival is a chance to dress up; to see and be seen. In 1992, Brown dressed up as a clown and, equipped with broom and pan, followed the horses to scoop up droppings.

Margarita Evaro of nearby La Mesa, N.M., who will celebrate her 12th leap year birthday, this year will deck herself out in pink baby bloomers and bonnet and ride on the local Veterans of

Foreign Wars float. "I'm really excited about it," she said. Evaro, who once won a Halloween contest dressed as a cow, is somewhat famous for the inventiveness of her costumes.

"I'm planning to come some year dressed as a streaker," she said, declining to specify the event she will so favor.

On a slightly more serious note, chamber president Ruth Ashby - Brown's sister - said she thinks the true value of the festival is the way it unites the town. "We view this celebration as a kind of gift to the

community," she said. Numerous non-profit groups use festival events as a way to raise money.

"The festival could mean one less bake sale, less knocking on doors for these groups," she said. "I don't think they'll come up with a great big sum, but they'll have more than they had. And there will be a tremendous sense of community in doing it."

Even as the final touches are put on the 1996 leap year celebration, plans are being discussed for the year 2000 - the first millennial leap year since 1600. "We're already getting

excited about it," Brown said, adding that the celebration will feature "leaping events."

"Oh, we'll have a long jump competition, a leapfrog game. Any leaping thing will be given great emphasis."

"The year 2000 is going to be a really big shindig."

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Television

THURSDAY

FEBRUARY 29

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
2 Eerie Ind. MMC	Movie: Short Circuit Ally Sheedy *** PG	Movie: Ice Castles Lynn-Holly Johnson *** PG	Movie: (35) Tonight Show	Movie: (35) Tonight Show	Movie: (35) Tonight Show	Movie: (35) Tonight Show	Movie: (35) Tonight Show	Movie: (35) Tonight Show	Movie: (35) Tonight Show	Movie: (35) Tonight Show
3 News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Single Guy	Seinfeld	Caroline	ER	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	News
4 Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Georgia O'Keeffe: The Plains of Paper	(20) Mary Jane Johnson: From the Heart	Computer	Ch. Rose	Ch. Rose	Ch. Rose	Ch. Rose	Ch. Rose	Ch. Rose	Ch. Rose
5 Videos	Videos	(05) Movie: A Fistful of Dollars (1964) ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***	(05) Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood ***
6 News	Wh. Fortune	Fam. Mat.	Newhart	Movie: Kickboxer III: The Art of War (1992) *	News	News	News	Night Court	Simon & Simon	Simon & Simon
7 Fam. Mat.	Newhart	Movie: Kickboxer III: The Art of War (1992) *	News	News	News	News	News	Night Court	Simon & Simon	Simon & Simon
8 News	Home Imp.	Murder, She Wrote	Rescue 911	48 Hours	48 Hours	48 Hours	48 Hours	48 Hours	48 Hours	48 Hours
9 Roseanne	Simpsons	Single	Martin	New York Undercover	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	M*A*S*H	Cops	Wanted	Wanted	Wanted
10 Sportsctr.	College Basketball	West Virginia at Pittsburgh	College Basketball	Memphis at Cincinnati	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter
11 Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Three Stooges	Bohannon	Bohannon	Bohannon	Bohannon	Bohannon	Bohannon
12 Movie: Josh and S.A.M.	Movie: Jason's Lyric (1994) Allen Payne, Jada Pinkett *	Movie: A Low Down Dirty Shame (1979) * R	Movie: Puppet Masters	Movie: Puppet Masters	Movie: Puppet Masters	Movie: Puppet Masters	Movie: Puppet Masters	Movie: Puppet Masters	Movie: Puppet Masters	Movie: Puppet Masters
13 (5:30) Movie: Stay Tuned	Movie: The Chase Charlie Sheen PG-13	Movie: Iron Eagle IV Louis Gossett Jr.	Comedy	African-American Athlete	African-American Athlete	African-American Athlete	African-American Athlete	African-American Athlete	African-American Athlete	African-American Athlete
14 Movie: Trapped-Para	Movie: Love Affair Warren Beatty ** PG-13	(05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R	Movie: (05) Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone ** R
15 Movie: Hollywood on Trial (1976) ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***	Movie: Exodus (1960) Paul Newman, Eva Marie Sant ***
16 Dukes of Hazzard	Life of Dottie West	Prime Time Country	Club Dance	News	Dottie West	Dottie West	Dottie West	Dottie West	Dottie West	Dottie West
17 Invention	Movie Magic	Wild Discovery	Movie Magic	Know Zone	Rediscovering America	Movie Magic	Invention	Wild Disc.	Wild Disc.	Wild Disc.
18 Equalizer	Biography	Ancient Mysteries	Voyages	Law & Order	Biography	Biography	Biography	Biography	Biography	Biography
19 Commish	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Doing Time on Maple Drive (1992) **	Unsolved Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries
20 Colorado	NBA Action	Sportsalk	NBA Basketball	Philadelphia 76ers at Houston Rockets	College Basketball: Ariz. at Wash. St.	College Basketball: Ariz. at Wash. St.	College Basketball: Ariz. at Wash. St.	College Basketball: Ariz. at Wash. St.	College Basketball: Ariz. at Wash. St.	College Basketball: Ariz. at Wash. St.
21 In the Heat of the Night	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***	Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell ***
22 Doug	Tiny Toon	Munsters	Jeanie	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Kotter	Van Dyke	Newhart
23 Wings	Wings	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***	Movie: Return of the Jedi (1983) Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford ***
24 Lazos de Amor	Acapulco Cuerpo y Alma	El Premio Mayor	Bienvenidos	Noticiero	P. Impacto	Movie: (P. Impacto)	Movie: (P. Impacto)	Movie: (P. Impacto)	Movie: (P. Impacto)	Movie: (P. Impacto)
25 Christmas at War	Bloody Dodge City	Movie: Villa Rides (1968) Yul Brynner, Robert Mitchum ***	Perspectiv	Dodge City	Dodge City	Dodge City	Dodge City	Dodge City	Dodge City	Dodge City
26 RPM 2Night	Figure Skating	European Championships	Auto Racing	Motoworld	NHL Hockey	St. Louis Blues at Vancouver Canucks	Auto Racing	Auto Racing	Auto Racing	Auto Racing

FRIDAY

MARCH 1

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
2 Pooh	Care Bears	Gummy B.	Pooh Cnr.	Dumbo	Umbrella	Fraggle	Ducktales	Chip 'n' Dale	Tale Spin	Movie: (Tale Spin)
3 Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today
4 TimeGrow	TimeGrow	Sesame Street	Lamb Chop	Storytime	Mr. Rogers	Imaginand	Barney	Puzzle Place	Prudhomme	Prudhomme
5 Gilligan	Bewitched	Boss?	Griffith	Little House on the Prairie	(05) Matlock	(05) Pe: y Mason	Movie: (05) Pe: y Mason	Movie: (05) Pe: y Mason	Movie: (05) Pe: y Mason	Movie: (05) Pe: y Mason
6 Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America	Good Morning America
7 News	This Morning	George & Alana	Price Is Right	Young and the Restless	News	News	News	News	News	News
8 Bobo	A'siddin	Mighty Max	Cubhouse	700 Club	K. Copeland	Christian	Gabrielle	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
9 Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter
10 Family Challenge	Make a Deal	Nail-Tune	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club
11 (6:55) Movie: Eminent Domain PG-13	(35) Movie: Murde: Elite A. MacGraw *	(15) Movie: Dusty Bill Kern *** NR	Movie: Mick & Maude	Movie: Mick & Maude	Movie: Mick & Maude	Movie: Mick & Maude	Movie: Mick & Maude	Movie: Mick & Maude	Movie: Mick & Maude	Movie: Mick & Maude
12 Movie: (45) Movie: Bebe's Kids **	PG-13	Def: Die	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13	Movie: Being Human Robin Williams * PG-13
13 Movie: The Pagemaster G	Movie: Off Beat Lodge Ruggles ** PG	Movie: The Scout Alton Brooks PG-13	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans	(15) Movie: Blankman Damon Wayans
14 (6:15) Movie: The Last of Mrs. Cheyney	Movie: Hallelujah (1929) ***	Festival-Shorts	Movie: White Shadows in Seas	Movie: White Shadows in Seas	Movie: White Shadows in Seas	Movie: White Shadows in Seas	Movie: White Shadows in Seas	Movie: White Shadows in Seas	Movie: White Shadows in Seas	Movie: White Shadows in Seas
15 (Off Air)	VideoMorning	Home	Start	Housesmart!	Graham K.	Cuisine	Great Chefs	Equalizer	Equalizer	Equalizer
16 Paid Prog.	Faid Prog.	Hanging Coffins	Home	Start	Housesmart!	Graham K.	Cuisine	Great Chefs	Equalizer	Equalizer
17 Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele	Remington Steele
18 Baby Knows Your Baby	Sisters	Our Home	Biggers and Summers	Living	Our Home	Handmade	Handmade	Handmade	Handmade	Handmade
19 Press Box	Workout	Faid Prog.	Get Fit	Alan Warren Outdoors	College Basketball	Arizona at Washington State	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
20 (6:30) Scooby Dooby Doo	Bugs Bunny	Flintstones	Gilligan	Gilligan	Knobs Landing	Starkey and Hutch	Angels	Angels	Angels	Angels
21 Looney	Gummy	Rugrats	Busy World	Muppets	Muppets	Allegro	Gullah	Ruffal	Busy World	Eureka
22 G.I. Joe	Woody	Knight Rider	Magnum, P.I.	Murder, She Wrote	Magnum, P.I.	Quantum Leap	People Ct.	People Ct.	People Ct.	People Ct.
23 Plaza Sesa	El Chavo	Cheppito	Papa Solt	Dr. Perez	Valentina	Dulce	Morelia	Morelia	Morelia	Morelia
24 Movie: Perspectiv	Classroom	History Showcase	Winston Churchill	Century	Good-Bright	Real West	Real West	Real West	Real West	Real West
25 Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Crunch	Bodyshape	Crunch	Goffa Sweet	Fitness	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Sports Baba	Sports Baba

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
2 Movie: Animapalms NR	Pooh	C. Brown	Quack	Fluppy Dogs	Good, Bad, Huckleberry Hound	Movie: (Good, Bad, Huckleberry Hound)	Movie: (Good, Bad, Huckleberry Hound)	Movie: (Good, Bad, Huckleberry Hound)	Movie: (Good, Bad, Huckleberry Hound)	Movie: (Good, Bad, Huckleberry Hound)
3 Our Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Maury Povich	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News	News	NBC News	News	NBC News
4 Body Elec	Ranchers: Born	Painting	Earth	Reading	C. Sandiego	Science Guy	Wishbone	Science	Science	Science
5 (12:05) Movie: Assassination '96	Garfield	Flintstones	Scooby-Doo	Brady	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.
6 Rus' L	One Life to Live	All My Children	General Hospital	Warner	Animanics	Fam. Mat.	News	News	News	News
7 News	Perry Mason	Geraldo	Warner	Animanics	Fam. Mat.	News	News	News	News	News
8 Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Cur. Affair	Hard Copy	Ricki Lake	News	CBS News	News	CBS News	News
9 Paid Prog.	Matlock	In the Heat of the Night	Taz-Mania	Ekt'stravag	Batman	Goosebump	Full House	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.
10 Final Four	Final Four	Final Four	Senior PGA Golf FHF Heat	Care Class	First Round	St. PGA	Inside PGA	Up Close	Sportsctr.	Sportsctr.
11 Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Punky B.	I'm Telling	Wild Animal	Masters	Family Challenge	Newhart	Shade	Shade	Shade
12 Movie: Mick & Maude	(45) Movie: Bedazzled Peter Cook ***	Movie: Bedazzled Peter Cook ***	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano	Movie: High Frequency Vincent Spano
13 Movie: Amazing Grace	Movie: Poltergeist JoBeth Williams *** PG	Movie: Poltergeist JoBeth Williams *** PG	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13	Movie: Second Best William Hurt *** PG-13
14 Movie: Eyes of an Angel John Travolta	Movie: Pontiac Moon Ted Danson ** PG-13	Movie: Pontiac Moon Ted Danson ** PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13	Movie: Clear and Present Danger PG-13
15 Movie: Our Dancing Daughters (1925)	Movie: A Woman of Affairs (1928) Greta Garbo **	Movie: A Woman of Affairs (1928) Greta Garbo **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **	Movie: The Jazz Singer (1927) Al Jolson **
16 Wildhorse	VideoPM	Home	Graham K.	Dukes of Hazzard	Wildhorse Saloon	Club Dance	Club Dance	Club Dance	Club Dance	Club Dance
17 Home	Start	Easy Does It	Home	Graham K.	Dukes of Hazzard	Wildhorse Saloon	Club Dance	Club Dance	Club Dance	Club Dance
18 Equalizer	Columbo	New Mike Hammer	Remington Steele	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy
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Make 'gold record' to aid in music practice

The current issue in our household is weighing the amount of time the kids spend on athletic practice (basketball) and time spent on music lessons. Although some days I feel as if it's a "jock" vs. "get a little culture" debate, it's really about balance and giving the kids experiences in a variety of areas without overloading them.

I'm supportive of their coaches and believe in the goals of sportsmanship, teamwork and skill-building, not to mention the great exercise sports provide. But where does my daughter's oboe or my sons' baritone and piano fit on the extracurricular time curve?

If you'd like to encourage your kids to keep practicing and enjoying their music, why not award them their very own "gold record"? This incentive will hang on the wall as a reminder of their accomplishments and the importance of music in their lives.

Here's how to make a personalized gold record award:

Dig into boxes in your attic or garage and look for old record albums or 45s. Don't be surprised if your kids of the CD generation don't know what they are! Choose a record you can part with and spray-paint an entire side gold. Let dry.

Over the painted label portion, print with a black marker an original record title such as "Violin Melodies" and your child's name.

Meanwhile, cut a piece of poster board or foam core to fit a 12-by-16-inch picture frame. Glue the record to the top center of the poster board. Below the record, glue a school picture of your child or a snapshot of him or her playing the instrument. On an index card, print the achievement, such as "Congratulations on reaching your goal of 50 hours of trombone practice" or any other accomplishment you and your child set as a goal, and glue it to the side of the picture.

Assemble the frame and present to your child. Hang the award in a prominent place in your home.

Lecture, science show, fundraising event are included in happenings around the area

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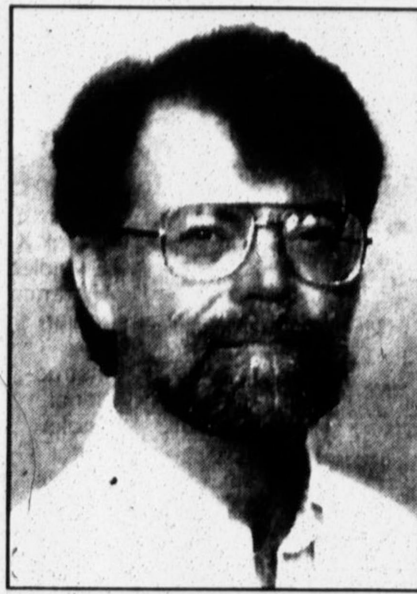
On March 10, Dr. Don Blakeslee will talk about "The Coronado Expedition" at the Square House Museum in Panhandle.

This is the first public lecture since his recent discover of numerous metal artifacts in Blanco Canyon, just south of Floydada.

Dr. Blakeslee's talk will deal with the route of the Coronado expedition of 1541. The Square House Museum has arranged to borrow some of the Coronado artifacts from the Floyd County Museum. They will be on display for one day only, March 10, during Dr. Blakeslee's lecture.

The lecture will begin at 3 p.m. It will be held in the auditorium of the Hazlewood Arts and Education

Building, at the corner of Hwy. 207 and 5th Street in Panhandle. Admission is free.



DR. DON BLAKESLEE

The Hubble Space Telescope has provided a plethora of information that has resulted in breakthrough astronomical discoveries. The audience will view recent Hubble images of solar systems forming, distant galaxies, the nearest supernova seen in over a century, last year's comet impact with Jupiter, and more.

"Through the Eyes of Hubble" is narrated by Gates McFadden, Dr. Beverly Crusher from Star Trek.

Also showing in the planetarium is the children's show, "The Secret of the Cardboard Rocket." This fun show is suitable for young family audiences. Watch as two children are given a tour of the solar system by a library book.

The graphics are simple and do a great job of demonstrating what would be like to visit other planets.

"The Secret of the Cardboard Rocket" will be shown at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

For further information regarding planetarium shows, please contact Christine Brunello at 355-9548, ext. 13. For group rates, please contact Jill Marufo at 355-9548, ext. 20.

Amarillo Little Theatre's Annual Fundraising Event will feature Grammy-nominated singer/pianist Michael Feinstein on March 22 at 8 p.m.

Feinstein will entertain at ALT with songs by writers such as George and Ira Gershwin, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and many others. Feinstein is a romantic vocal stylist credited with 13 albums including "Such Sweet Sorrow," released in March 1995, and a new one to be released in March 1996.

Feinstein has written his "musical autobiography" whose title is also the title of his new album and tour, "Nice Work If You Can Get It," which hit book stores in October 1995.

ALT Friends who wish to attend the show may make reservations, at \$50 per person, by calling the ALT Box Office at 355-9991 or, in Hereford, Amy Gilliland at 364-3717.

Names in the News

MOMBASA, Kenya (AP) - Talk about getting bumped.

Britain's Prince Philip was "re-booked" on a commercial flight from Kenya to South Africa Saturday after his royal airplane broke down.

The husband of Queen Elizabeth II arrived late Friday and spent the night in a presidential suite at Nyalí Beach Hotel in Mombasa. Sources at Moi International Airport said Philip's plane had electrical problems which couldn't be repaired overnight.

So, a scheduled Kenya Airways flight from Nairobi to Johannesburg was rerouted to Mombasa so Philip could continue his journey.

Despite the prince's unexpected stay, several local officials were on hand to see him off - but not without one last hitch.

Philip's motorcade was delayed for five minutes at the gate to the airport because the gatekeeper had locked it and taken a break.

AMARILLO

The Don Harrington Discovery Center announces the opening of a new show, "Through the Eyes of Hubble."

This show will run March 9-May 19, and show times are Saturday at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Special spring break shows will be given at 3 p.m. March 12-15. Admission is \$2 per person and Discover Center members will be admitted free.

"Through the Eyes of Hubble" is a new show produced by the Carnegie Science Center and the Space Telescope Science Institute.

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Seed catalogs feed gardeners fantasies

By GEORGE BRIA
 POUND RIDGE (AP) -- Seed catalogs keep making it easier for the customer. Nowadays, you can order a pre-designed kitchen garden, plan and all.

A blizzard of catalogs descends on America's many gardeners in wintertime. Big bucks are at stake. A Gallup survey showed that 10 million customers bought gardening products by mail in 1994.

With so much to choose from, you might appreciate a little advice. So some seedhouses come to the rescue with suggested mixtures and collections.

A pioneer of the concept is Shepherd Ogden, who writes books and lectures on gardening in between running The Cook's Garden (P.O. Box 535, Londonderry, Vt. 05148, 802-824-3400). In a telephone interview, Ogden said, "A lot of people are mystified by too many choices and so they say, 'Why, can't I just take the benefit of this guy's analysis and just order, like, a complete garden?'"

This year, Ogden is offering a plan for "a season full of good eating" from a 12-by-20-foot garden. The package of 20 various vegetable seeds costs \$35.

While some ideas take off, it hasn't all been rosy in the seed

business. The industry as a whole "has been undergoing an almost violent consolidation for more than a decade, but those buyouts and mergers finally appear to be stabilizing," according to the latest edition of the Garden Seed Inventory.

"The greatest losses occurred during the three-year period from 1984 to 1987, when 23.5 percent of the mail-order seed companies in the United States and Canada (54 out of 230) either went out of business or were taken over," says the Inventory, published by the famed Seed Savers Exchange (3076 North Winn Road, Decorah, Iowa 52101, 319-382-5872.)

Along with the upheaval has come the disappearance of some plant varieties from some catalogs. This causes disappointment, irritation and frustration if it's something you're particularly fond of. Fortunately, the Savers can help if it's a vegetable you need.

The Inventory (hardcover \$30, softcover \$24) is a remarkable volume, listing 245 U.S. and Canadian mail-order seed catalogs. It contains descriptions and ordering information for 6,843 standard vegetable varieties and a coded list of the companies offering each one.

The Inventory works beautifully to locate alternative sources when

something is dropped by your catalogs. For example, a variety of Brussels sprouts known as Long Island, which does better in my garden than other kinds, disappeared from my usual sources. Going to the Inventory, I found six places that still carry it and 65 other places that market a strain called Long Island Improved. A phone call got me what I wanted.

The Seed Savers, directed by Kent Whealy, are pledged to genetic preservation and they recommend using the Inventory as a tool to save endangered varieties. Charts in the book show which varieties are going down fast. The Savers' recommendation is to buy them. They also suggest buying standard Asian and European varieties, highly popular now, whose suppliers may be here today and gone tomorrow.

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Crisis team helps out in time of need

By CLAIRE OSBORN Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN - Shaken relatives slowly stepped into Brackenridge Hospital late on a recent rainy night. Blinking under the glare of bright lights, they drifted about, lost in their grief.

Tello Leal was waiting for them. "I'm sorry this has happened to you," he told an older woman. "It's a tragedy."

The woman's teen-age nephew had accidentally shot and killed himself. His body lay in the hospital's emergency room.

Now it was Leal's unenviable task, as a Victim Services counselor with the Austin Police Department, to offer comfort to the family.

The aunt looked away and, with a voice cracking with emotion, told Leal about her nephew's life. Leal simply listened.

"Sometimes there's not a whole lot you can do other than listen or hold someone's hand," he said later.

Recognized nationally as one of the first police departments to send counselors and volunteers directly to crime and accident scenes, Austin's Victim Services has been providing solace and counseling to victims and their families for 16 years.

Its 16 counselors and 110 volunteers annually help 10,000 to 12,000 people at crime and accident scenes and later with short-term counseling and referrals, said Ann Hutchison, the 45-year-old founder and director of Victim Services.

"In our society, you're taught to solve your own problems, but a lot of people when they're raped, robbed, etc., have nothing to handle it with. We provide information," said Leal.

Austin taxpayers pick up the tab for Victim Services, which is administered through the Austin Police Department budget and cost \$628,000 in 1995.

Its paid counselors have masters degrees in social work, family therapy, psychology and counseling, Hutchison said. Volunteers, like all crisis team members, are required to complete 70 hours of training.

Providing counseling at crime and accident scenes is important for healing, said Dr. Frank Ochberg, a former chairman of the American Psychiatric Task Force on Violence and a former director of health for the state of Michigan.

"A victim often feels ostracized, shamed and doesn't have an adequate opportunity to talk through feelings," said Ochberg, now an adjunct journalism professor at Michigan State University.

Austin police say the immediate response of counselors and volunteers is invaluable because police officers receive little training on victims' needs.

"We couldn't do without these guys (Victim Services). They take control of a victim at a scene where a victim is distraught and stay with them," said Lt. Alan Riskie.

When Fay Babazadeh's husband was killed in 1990 during the robbery of a convenience store, a Victim Services counselor showed her how to apply for aid for funeral expenses, then referred her and her two sons to a psychiatrist.

"They gave me some kind of hope. Mentally, they helped me as much as they could," she said.

Victim Services has three crisis teams that work in different parts of the city. It also has a criminal investigation bureau, a child services unit, a family violence bureau and a mass disaster crisis team.

Crisis team members are required to have degrees in mental health or two years of paid counseling experience before they even start training, said Donna Greenberg, volunteer coordinator.

During each eight-hour shift, a volunteer and counselor from each team work together, driving in unmarked police cars equipped with computer screens and keyboards that provide information about crime scenes. Police contact the volunteer and the counselor through the terminals or by radio to request their assistance at a crime scene.

Grammy winner performs top song, with one bleep

Nominated for six, Mariah Carey takes none home; Sinatra earns his first competitive award in 29 years

By JENNIFER BOWLES Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Alanis Morissette's "Jagged Little Pill" won best rock album and album of the year as the Grammy Awards broke with tradition and embraced the not-so-romantic view of life.

Other big winners Wednesday night included Hootie & the Blowfish, which won awards for best new artist, and pop group vocal performance for "Let Her Cry" from 1995's best-selling album, "Cracked Rear View."

Seal's "Kiss from a Rose" won for record and song of the year, and he also grabbed the award for best male pop vocal performance. Vince Gill, the trio TLC and Stevie Wonder captured two Grammys apiece.

Frank Sinatra collected his first competitive Grammy in 29 years with his "Duets II" album.

Morissette, the 21-year-old Canadian, hauled away a leading four Grammys, two for her chart-topping U.S. album debut and two - best rock song and female rock vocal performance - for her lyrically raw single "You Oughta Know."

"I accept this on behalf of anyone who's ever written a song from a very pure place, a very spiritual place," Morissette said in thanks for the album of the year award.

Seeking to shake its stodgy reputation, the recording industry shunned the mainstream - Mariah Carey was zero for six nominations -

and looked to others to counter complaints that winners did not reflect the most vital elements of contemporary music.

Morissette, backed by an orchestra, performed a toned-down version of "You Oughta Know," about a woman reeling with jealousy and betrayal from a lover's duplicity, during the three-hour CBS telecast from the Shrine Auditorium.

The song, filled with graphic sexual references, was performed word-for-word but the network bleeped out the most flagrant four-letter violation.

Carey, who opened the show with her "One Sweet Day" duet with Boyz II Men, came into the show tied with Morissette for a leading six nominations.

Carey's shutout exemplified the National Academy of Recording Arts & Science's shift away from mainstream music. Her album "Daydream" was the kind of lush, romantic recording the academy usually loves.

But the academy changed its nominating process this year - the first time in its 38-year history.

In each of the top four categories - record, album and song of the year, and best new artist - 20 entries with the most votes from the general membership were submitted to a 25-member blue-ribbon panel picked by the academy. The panel reviewed entries and selected nominees by secret ballot.

"It was real simple," academy President Michael Greene said. "For years, we felt that a lot of sentimentality, a lot of popularity, were sprinkled through" these categories.

"The panel's decisions were reflected not only in nominees but some of the winners."

As evidence, Morissette capped her night with the album of the year trophy, a major reversal of a trend that has seen the award in the last three years go to "The Bodyguard" soundtrack and "Unplugged" recordings by Eric Clapton and Tony Bennett.

Backstage, Bennett wasn't taking it personally.

"I learned a long time ago the audience is the critic," he said. "No matter how they change the categories it's never going to change how a performer is" seen by the audience.

The change, which Greene said would be instituted again next year in a broader context, was applauded by several artists.

"We definitely benefited," said rapper Coolio, whose "Gangsta's Paradise" became the first hard-core rap single ever nominated for record of the year. It won instead for best rap solo.

"The Grammys are coming full circle," Coolio said. "For a lot of years, they were real stiff. They started to loosen up the past five years, and this year they're there and I'm real happy to be there."

Recipients of '95 music awards

By The Associated Press

Winners at Wednesday's 38th Annual Grammy Awards:

ROCK PERFORMANCE BY A DUO OR GROUP WITH VOCAL:

ROCK SONG: "You Oughta Know," Glen Ballard, Alanis Morissette.

ALTERNATIVE MUSIC PERFORMANCE: "MTV Unplugged In New York," Nirvana.

POP COLLABORATION WITH VOCALS: "Have I Told You Lately That I Love You?," The Chieftains with Van Morrison.

MALE POP VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "Kiss From a Rose," Seal.

POP INSTRUMENTAL PERFORMANCE: "Mariachi Suite," Los Lobos.

TRADITIONAL POP VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "Duets II," Frank Sinatra.

METAL PERFORMANCE: "Happiness In Slavery," Nine Inch Nails.

ROCK INSTRUMENTAL PERFORMANCE: "Jessica," The Allman Brothers Band.

CONTEMPORARY JAZZ PERFORMANCE: "We Live Here," Pat Metheny Group.

JAZZ VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "An Evening with Lena Horne," Lena Horne.

JAZZ INSTRUMENTAL PERFORMANCE, INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP: "Infinity," McCoy Tyner Trio featuring Michael Brecker.

JAZZ INSTRUMENTAL SOLO: "Impressions," Michael Brecker.

LARGE JAZZ ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE: "All Blues," GRP All-Star Big Band, Tom Scott.

LATIN JAZZ PERFORMANCE: "Antonio Brasileiro," Jobim.

PRODUCER OF THE YEAR: Babyface.

FEMALE R&B VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "I Apologize," Anita Baker.

MALE R&B VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "For Your Love," Stevie Wonder.

R&B PERFORMANCE BY A DUO OR GROUP WITH VOCAL: "Creep," TLC.

R&B SONG: "For Your Love," Stevie Wonder.

R&B ALBUM: "CrazySexyCool," TLC.

RAP PERFORMANCE BY A DUO OR GROUP: "I'll Be There for You/You're All I Need to Get By," Method Man featuring Mary J. Blige.

RAP ALBUM: "Poverty's Paradise," Naughty by Nature.

COUNTRY PERFORMANCE BY A DUO OR GROUP WITH VOCAL: "Here Comes the Rain," The Mavericks.

COUNTRY ALBUM: "The Woman in Me," Shania Twain.

ROCK ALBUM: "Jagged Little Pill," Alanis Morissette.

MALE ROCK VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "You Don't Know How It Feels," Tom Petty.

COUNTRY COLLABORATION WITH VOCALS: "Somewhere in the Vicinity of the Heart," Shenandoah with Alison Krauss.

COUNTRY INSTRUMENTAL PERFORMANCE: "Hightower," Asleep at the Wheel.

BLUEGRASS ALBUM: "Unleashed," The Nashville Bluegrass Band.

COUNTRY SONG: "Go Rest High on that Mountain," Vince Gill.

ROCK GOSPEL ALBUM: "Lesson of Love," Ashley Cleveland.

POP-CONTEMPORARY GOSPEL ALBUM: "I'll Lead You Home," Michael W. Smith.

SOUTHERN GOSPEL, COUNTRY GOSPEL OR BLUEGRASS GOSPEL ALBUM: "Amazing Grace - A Country Salute to Gospel," Various Artists.

TRADITIONAL SOUL GOSPEL ALBUM: "Shirley Caesar Live... He Will Come," Shirley Caesar.

GOSPEL ALBUM BY A CHOIR OR CHORUS: "Praise Him... Live!," Carol Cymbala, choir director.

LATIN POP PERFORMANCE: "Amor," Jon Secada.

NEW AGE ALBUM: "Forest," George Winston.

TROPICAL LATIN PERFORMANCE: "Abriendo Puertas," Gloria Estefan.

MEXICAN-AMERICAN PERFORMANCE: "Flaco Jimenez," Flaco Jimenez.

TRADITIONAL BLUES ALBUM: "Chill Out," John Lee Hooker.

CONTEMPORARY BLUES ALBUM: "Slippin' In," Buddy Guy.

TRADITIONAL FOLK ALBUM: "South Coast," Ramblin' Jack Elliott.

CONTEMPORARY FOLK ALBUM VOCAL OR INSTRUMENTAL: "Wrecking Ball," Emmylou Harris.

REGGAE ALBUM: "Boombastic," Shaggy.

MUSICAL ALBUM FOR CHILDREN: "Sleepy Time Lullabies," J. Aaron Brown and David R. Lehman, producers.

SPOKEN WORD ALBUM FOR CHILDREN: "Prokofiev: Peter and the Wolf," Dan Brootman & Martin Sauer, producers.

MUSICAL SHOW ALBUM: "Smokey Joe's Cafe - The Songs of Leiber And Stoller."

MUSIC VIDEO, SHORT FORM: "Scream," Michael Jackson & Janet Jackson.

MUSIC VIDEO, LONG FORM: "Secret World Live," Peter Gabriel.

WORLD MUSIC ALBUM: "Boheme," Deep Forest.

POLKA ALBUM: "I Love to Polka," Jimmy Sturr.

SPOKEN COMEDY ALBUM: "Crank Calls," Jonathan Winters.

RECORDING PACKAGE: "Turbulent Indigo," Robbie Cavolina, Joni Mitchell.

ALBUM NOTES: "The Complete Stax-Volt Soul Singles, Volume 3: 1972-1975," Rob Bowman.

ENGINEERED ALBUM, NON-CLASSICAL: "Wildflowers," Dave Bianco, Richard Dodd, Stephen McLaughlin and Jim Scott.

SPOKEN WORD OR NON-MUSICAL ALBUM: "Phenomenal Woman," Maya Angelou.

INSTRUMENTAL COMPOSITION: "A View From The Side," Bill Holman.

SONG WRITTEN SPECIFICALLY FOR A MOTION PICTURE OR TELEVISION: "Colors Of The Wind," "Pocahontas."

INSTRUMENTAL ARRANGEMENT: "Lament," Robert Farnon.

INSTRUMENTAL ARRANGEMENT WITH VOCALS: "I Get A Kick Out Of You," Rob McConnell.

RECORDING PACKAGE, BOXED: "Civilization Phase III," Frank Zappa, Gail Zappa.

HISTORICAL ALBUM: "The Heifetz Collection," Jascha Heifetz & Various Artists.

CHORAL PERFORMANCE: "Brahms: Ein Deutsches Requiem," Herbert Blomstedt, conductor, San Francisco Symphony, San Francisco Symphony Chorus and various artists.

INSTRUMENTAL SOLOIST PERFORMANCE WITHOUT ORCHESTRA: "Schubert: Piano Sonatas (B Flat Maj. & A Maj.)," Radu Lupu.

CHAMBER MUSIC PERFORMANCE: "Brahms/Beethoven/Mozart: Clarinet Trios," Emanuel Ax, Yo-Yo Ma and Richard Stoltzman.

CLASSICAL VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "The Echoing Air - The Music Of Henry Purcell (If Music Be The Food Of Love; Sweeter Than Roses, etc.)," Sylvia McNair.

CLASSICAL CONTEMPORARY COMPOSITION: "Messiaen: Concert A Quatre," Olivier Messiaen.

INSTRUMENTAL COMPOSITION FOR A MOTION PICTURE OR TELEVISION: "Crimson Tide," Hans Zimmer.

CLASSICAL ALBUM: "Debussy: La Mer; Nocturnes; Jeux, etc.," Pierre Boulez conducting the Cleveland Orchestra.

ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE: "Debussy: La Mer; Nocturnes; Jeux, etc.," Pierre Boulez conducting the Cleveland Orchestra.

OPERA RECORDING: "Berlioz: Les Troyens," Charles Dutoit conducting the Orchestre Symphonique de Montreal.

HARD ROCK PERFORMANCE: "Spin The Black Circle," Pearl Jam.

NEW ARTIST: Hootie & The Blowfish.

POP PERFORMANCE BY A DUO OR GROUP WITH VOCAL: "Let Her Cry," Hootie & The Blowfish.

MALE COUNTRY VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "Go Rest High on that Mountain," Vince Gill.

FEMALE ROCK VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "You Oughta Know," Alanis Morissette.

RAP SOLO PERFORMANCE: "Gangsta's Paradise," Coolio.

FEMALE POP VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "No More 'I Love You's,'" Annie Lennox.

SONG OF THE YEAR: "Kiss From a Rose," Seal.

CONTEMPORARY SOUL GOSPEL ALBUM: "Alone in His Presence," CeCe Winans.

POP ALBUM: "Turbulent Indigo," Joni Mitchell.

FEMALE COUNTRY VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "Baby, Now That I've Found You," Alison Krauss.

INSTRUMENTAL SOLOIST PERFORMANCE WITH ORCHESTRA: "The American Album (Works Of Bernstein, Barber, Foss)," Itzhak Perlman.

ALBUM OF THE YEAR: "Jagged Little Pill," Alanis Morissette.

RECORD OF THE YEAR: "Kiss From a Rose," Seal.

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Entertainment

V-Chip may be exciting, but it's just wishful thinking

By FRAZIER MOORE
AP Television Writer
NEW YORK (AP) - V-cxing, V-cry V-cxing, this V-chip debate. First, because two separate issues are being put forth as one by its proponents.

Issue No. 1: The need for some sort of system for branding objectionable content on television, comparable to those letter codes applied to feature films.

Issue No. 2: The need for some sort of electronic gizmo built into each TV set that would enable the viewer to block out shows according to their rating.

The government-imposed plan means to equip parents to make informed judgments on what programs they think their children shouldn't see and then to carry out this policy with a microchip enforcer.

Sounds like a good idea? Maybe you've been watching too much TV.

In the real world, neither part of the V-chip "solution" goes beyond wishful thinking. Which seems to be the only kind many of us are willing to engage in.

Consider three reasons why the chip captures the fancy of many viewers with children:

Experts. We love 'em!

It will be a panel of designated experts (whether rounded up by the networks, government or some other branch of official-dom) that will pass judgment on television fare.

These authorities will make sense of it all and tell us what do. Whatever our individual tastes and childrearing values. That's what makes them experts.

-Simplicity. We love that too. The experts will employ a simple grading system to gauge violent scenes, coarse language and sexual displays in TV programming.

How do you apply the same yardstick to episodes of "Walker, Texas Ranger," "Law & Order," "Melrose Place" and "The Simpsons"?

What of the recent miniseries "Gulliver's Travels"? A kid-friendly family film that critics loved too, it included a hilarious scene where the towering hero extinguished a Lilliputian fire by relieving himself. What would the code make of public urination?

At the moment, it's the major networks that are wrestling with problems like that. In an effort to preempt a government move to impose a rating system on them, the networks have agreed to come up

with their own.

-Gadgets. Maybe we love these best of all. At least, we love the idea of a push-button, remote-controlled, memory-actuated lifestyle.

On the other hand, fully one-third of VCR owners are members of The 12 O'Clock Club (its slogan: "Learn to tape things on that gadget? I don't even understand how to set the clock").

Who's going to explain to us how to punch in the V-chip codes to keep bad shows away from the kids? Will

we have to pull our techno-savvy kids away from their computers to do it for us?

The arguments against the V-chip pile up. So why does the V-chip still hold sway with many of us? Perhaps the best explanation is the enormity of the problem we are asking it to solve.

The ever-widening TV-scape includes great expanses of wasteland, as it so famously did three decades ago. There are also plenty of cowpies on the schedule. Even the occasional

land mine.

How to protect your family from such hazards? One way is what you're doing right now: Check what TV critics say about what's on the air.

However much in conflict with your own views theirs may be, critics are here, among other reasons, to offer guideposts.

TV listings help as well, and they're ever more abundant in newspapers, magazines and now even online.

And you can draw on the

experience of viewers like yourself. Consult friends and fellow parents who share your values.

Shows you don't want your children to see can be banished by products already on the market. One survey has found almost two dozen devices with parental control features.

No gadget can replace hands-on parental control.

And no one-size-fits-all code can adequately shield us from thinking for ourselves.

New TV series may blow in like a lion, but some of them may just be turkeys

By FRAZIER MOORE
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Out in the real world, March famously comes in like a lion. Among the menagerie of new TV series premiering next month, some may more closely resemble turkeys.

The lineup:

- "High Incident" (Monday, March 4, 9 p.m. EST, ABC; first episode repeated Tuesday, March 5, at 10 p.m.). Fictional El Camino, Calif., is the picture-book suburban setting for this crime drama - and despite the manicured lawns and minimalisms, there's plenty of crime to police.

Co-creators include Steve Spielberg and the brilliant writer-performance artist Eric Bogosian. The stakes are high for this DreamWorks production. As the lead-in for "Murder One," "High" could be the show that protects and serves the endangered lawyer drama.

- "Good Company" (Monday, March 4, 9:30 p.m., CBS) focuses on the professional and personal lives of a creative team working for a midtown Manhattan advertising agency.

In the premiere episode, the agency faces the challenge of coming up with commercials for toilet paper. Will this sitcom ad up to laughs?

- "Buddies" (previews Tuesday, March 5, 9:30 p.m., then moves to regular slot Wednesday, March 13, 9:30 p.m., ABC).

Another media-centric sitcom: two best friends and aspiring filmmakers launch a fledgling videotape company that mostly documents weddings and birthday parties. Oh, by the way: One of the "Buddies" is white (Christopher Gartin) and one is black (Dave Chappelle).

Described as "Ralph Crandem and Ed Norton meet MTV," it's from the creators of "Home Improvement."

- "Muppets Tonight!" (Friday, March 8, 8:30 p.m., ABC) is "The Muppet Show" redux.

Kermit the Frog, Miss Piggy, Gonzo the Great, Fozzie Bear and Rizzo the Rat are back in prime time as regulars. Guest star on the premiere outing: Michelle Pfeiffer.

- "Malibu Shores" (Saturday, March 9, 8 p.m., NBC) comes from the bubbling beauty-and-hormones cauldron of Aaron Spelling.

On this one-hour drama, the classes clash. That is, students from a middle-class San Fernando Valley

high school are transferred to the fabulous campus of Malibu's Pacific Coast High School. (A central star-crossed romance: Malibu Babe Chloe and Valley Boy Zack.)

Besides young folks including Aaron's son Randy and Charisma (!) Carpenter, "Malibu" stars Michelle Phillips.

- "The Dana Carvey Show" (Tuesday, March 12, 9:30 p.m., ABC) brings the former "Saturday Night Live" player back to weekly sketch comedy.

Although not live, the New York-produced half-hour will be taped before a live audience just three days before air-time to ensure topicality.

Carvey describes his show as "a little bit 'Saturday Night Live,' 'Monty Python,' 'Kids in the Hall,' '60 Minutes' - and 'Kirk.'" (What about "Malibu Shores"?)

- "The Faculty" (Wednesday, March 13, 8:30 p.m., ABC) lands Meredith Baxter in a contemporary junior high school, where she plays its harried but caring vice principal.

This new sitcom purports to answer one of the great unasked questions of the age: What really goes on in the faculty lounge? (We bet it's not as funny as "Malibu Shores.")

- "Swift Justice" (Wednesday, March 13, 9 p.m., UPN) is one-half of UPN's lineup for its new third night.

From "Law & Order" creator Dick Wolf, "Swift" focuses on New York City policeman turned detective (name: Mac Swift) who works outside the system to take on white supremacists, inner-city drug dealers and other urban varmints.

It stars James McCaffrey as Swift and Gary Dourdan as Detective Randall Paterson, Swift's former partner who helps him from within the department.

- "Aliens in the Family" (Friday, March 15, 9 p.m., ABC) is a Jim Henson Productions companion-piece to the new "Muppets Tonight!"

Think of it: A single dad was abducted by a spacecraft, then found romance with a beautiful alien single mom. Now they have returned to earth-suburbia to marry and raise their most unusual family.

- "The Sentinel" (Wednesday, March 20, 8 p.m., UPN) is a sci-fi drama about a former soldier who discovers he has developed hyperactive senses that give him increased abilities of sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch.

Eschewing a career as a TV or food critic, he decides to use these powers to fight crime.

- "Boston Common" (Thursday, March 21, 8:30 p.m., NBC) stars standup comic Anthony Clark as a Virginia handyman who escorts his younger sister to college in Boston - then, to her chagrin, decides to stay

on after landing a job in the student union.

- "Nash Bridges" (Friday, March 29, 10 p.m., CBS) brings "Miami Vice" star Don Johnson back to series television as a San Francisco Police Department inspector who is a top-notch cop but a two-time loser as a husband.

Five questions with: Richard Dreyfuss

By The Associated Press

Richard Dreyfuss catapulted to fame with "American Graffiti," a film steeped in rock 'n' roll. In "The Competition," he was an impassioned, even obsessive, pianist. He snagged the best actor Oscar in 1977 for his role in "The Goodbye Girl," and he's up for another Academy Award for "Mr. Holland's Opus," in which he's a music teacher with concert hopes. In that film, he appears to be an accomplished pianist.

1. Can you play a musical instrument?
Dreyfuss: No. I wish I did. I learned how to "think" piano. It was very hard.

2. What are the latest CDs you've

acquired?
Dreyfuss: The soundtrack of "Immortal Beloved." Beethoven's Second, Fourth, Sixth and Seventh Symphonies.

3. What are your favorite songs?
Dreyfuss: Hoagy Carmichael's "I Get Along Without You Very Well." The Gershwins' "They Can't Take That Away from Me."

4. Who was your favorite Beatle?
Dreyfuss: I have no favorite. I was a fan of the Beatles.

5. What kind of music do your children listen to?
Dreyfuss: Current, contemporary rock 'n' roll. I wouldn't know the names. I stopped listening to rock when the Beatles broke up.

Latest hair styles invoke images of Cruella de Vil

By The Associated Press

Talk to hair stylists these days and they'll tell you all about the "chunk" and the "superchunk." And they're not talking about Jif.

After Naomi Campbell, Daisy Fuentes, Details magazine's sex scribe Anka Radakovich and others began parading their stylish (read expensive) manes of dark hair with a thick chunk or two bleached blond, a fad was born.

Salons are besieged with requests for chunking, also called a skunk stripe, a trend that has its roots with film babes like the Bride of Frankenstein, "101 Dalmatians" Cruella de Vil and Anne Bancroft's Mrs. Robinson.

"It's very trendy," said salon

owner Robert Gioria. "People do them because they are easy to cover up. You can have them for one month and then cover them up."

Gioria's salon, Robert Kree in New York's Greenwich Village, has been doing a brisk business in chunking. Besides the blonde stripes on dark hair, Gioria's palette also includes black stripes on red hair or blonde hair.

The chunk is almost as popular as the Rachel, named after the fluffy shag of "Friends" star Jennifer Aniston.

"We're trying to dissuade people from getting a 'Rachel,'" said Gioria. "It's the Farrah Fawcett of the '90s."

This week in entertainment

By The Associated Press
Entertainment highlights during the week of Feb. 29-March 6

30 years ago: John Lennon was quoted in the London Evening Standard as saying the Beatles were more popular than Jesus Christ. The comment later touched off an international protest, which included burning Beatles records.

20 years ago: Top pop song, "Love Machine (Part I)," The Miracles; top pop LP, "Desire," Bob Dylan.

15 years ago: Walter Cronkite signed off for the last time as anchorman of "The CBS Evening News."

TOP MOVIES

- "House"
- "Pretty in Pink"
- "Down and Out in Beverly Hills"
- "The Color Purple"
- "Hannah and Her Sisters"

TOP TV SHOWS

- "The Cosby Show"
- "You Again?"
- "Cheers"
- "Blood & Orchids"
- "Golden Girls"

Birthdays:

Feb. 29: Actress Phyllis Frelich, 52.

Mar. 1: Singer Harry Belafonte, 69; actor Robert Conrad, 61; actor Dirk Benedict, 51; The Who's Roger Daltrey, 52; actor Alan Thicke, 49; actor-director and former "Opie" Ron Howard, 42.

Mar. 2: Actress Jennifer Jones, 77; writer Tom Wolfe, 65; author and bear enthusiast John Irving, 54; singer Lou Reed, 52; singer Eddie Money, 47; actress, former Conehead kid Laraine Newman, 44; big-haired rocker Jon Bon Jovi, 34.

Mar. 3: Socialite Lee Radziwill, 63; actor-football player Ed Marinaro, 46; Olympic champion Jackie Joyner-Kersey, 34.

Mar. 4: The Garbo of chess, Bobby Fischer, 52; gospel and R&B singer Bobby Womack, 52.

Mar. 5: Actor Dean Stockwell, 60; model Niki Taylor, 21.

Mar. 6: Singer Mary Wilson, 52; actor-director Rob Reiner, 51; actor and Roseanne refugee Tom Arnold, 37; basketball player Shaquille "Shaq" O'Neal, 23.

Beaver wannabes vie for movie roll

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (AP) - Clad in Cub Scout uniforms and plaid shirts, it was Jerry Mathers wannabes as far as the eye could see.

About 1,000 freckle-faced boys lined up for hours in front of Universal Studios on Saturday to try out for the movie version of the 1950s sitcom "Leave It To Beaver."

It didn't matter that most had never seen the show, and didn't know that Mathers originated the role. All they knew was they wanted to be the next Beaver.

"I've already done a few commercials and been in some magazines," said 10-year-old Andrew Davey. "That's why I

thought I could do this."

The sitcom, which ran from 1957 to 1962, followed the exploits of a rambunctious, middle-class youngster, Theodore "Beaver" Cleaver.

The audition was the finale of a nationwide casting call that lured more than 5,000 hopeful stars. Universal Pictures plans to release the film early next year in time for the show's 40th anniversary.

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