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Now kld on tha block LSU's'new bàsketball coach talks about the
spor

# Gaspard: Rock and roll to the solid rock 

EDrTOR'S NOTE: This is the fourth in a seven-
part series on clergy in Southwest Louisiana.
The clergy members were selected to represen part series on clergy in Southwest Louisiana.
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the diversity of religlous interests in our area.

BY SONNY MARKS
STAFF WRITER

Happiness is a new Christian sitting on the front row of your church. "There's a difference on your face just from 10 days ago," the Rev. Perry Gaspard told the born-again woman at a recent Wednesday night service at
Abundant Life Fellowship. "You look

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| CONVERSATIONS"A lot of timeswhat it is. Glory to God. Isn't |  |
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| nd them |  |
| you can see it. Then you can |  |
| see as the Holy Spirit touches them, as |  |
| the Word of God cleanses them, then the |  |
| cloud goes away and their face begins to band. |  |
|  | hile he lived in the Golden Sta |
| 'How many of you have noticed whe | former girlfriend an |
| meone's face begins to shine? Your | ange prayed for him unbekno |

to him. Gaspard, meanwhile, got in to LSD, cocaine and marijuana. He left California at age 22, hitchhiked to bar.
His conversion experience came in Oklahoma City after three days of nonstop bacchanalia. Saturday, and Sunday, at a party outside of town. A millionaire was out of town and his teen-age son had taken over the See Clergy, Page A5

Governor might agree to dockside gambling

## if Nester would cupprove

 excluded ma i was went to local rote. BY HECTOR SANMITUEAL Gov. Mike Foster would most likely sign a dockside gambling bill into law for riverboat casicriteria such as not including requirng a local vote.That's according to Marsanne Goldsby, the governor's press secretary.
"This is not set in stone. He might sign a dockside bill if it passes, depending on how it looks and what it does. He is
opened to lt," she said Tuesday. "We don't know what could get slipped into a bill. It's a definite possibllity. We cannot have it (dockside) in New Orleans because of the land-based casmo. I'm sure there is high level interState Sn Francis Hetmeier See FOSTER, Page A5

Plan would give legislators pay hike
BATON ROUGE (AP) - Loussiana legislators have not had a pay rase in upcoming lawmaking session, they would become the highest-paid repre sentatives and senators in the South. A bill by Rep. Jack Smith, DPatterson, would more than double lawmakers' annual pay and expense package from $\$ 2$
percent increas Rep. Dirk Deville, D-Ville Platte, pay from $\$ 16,800$ to $\$ 32,000$, and another pay from $\$ 16,800$ to $\$ 32,000$, and another for raise their dally expense payment the cost-of-living increase in Louisiana


Members of the McNeese music ensemble, Voix Populare, perform a song specially composed and written by McNeese professors Keith Gates and Susan Kelso, celebrating the 130th anniversary of the city of Lake Charles prior to a City Council meeting Tuesday. Voix Populare is under the direction of Mike Farrell.

## Interest rates rise

More expected in coming months
WASHINGTON (AP) - The and farm in America," said Sen. Federal Reserve nudged interest time in two years, hoping to stifle any threat of rising inflation. Banks immediately began raising the rates
Americans.
American
Analysts suggested the Fed's quarter-point increase was not
the end of the story, with two or three more boosts likely by the end of the year to slow the surprisingly strong economy The central bank said it was
pushmeg its target for the federal pushing its target for the federal
funds rate, the interest that banks charge each other, up to 5.25 percent. It left its largely symbolic discount rate unchanged The central bank characterized its increase as "a
prudent step" that would guard prudent step" that would guard
against higher mflation and the against of recession
But critics were unswayed,
charging that there is no inflacharging that there is no infla-
tion to preempt and the central bank's credit tightenng actually raised the risks of recession
"In one fell swoop, the Fed has taken money out of the pockets

Tom Harkm, D-Iowa, a frequent Financial markets, which had reacted violently in 1994, the last time the central bank launched a round of credit tightening, were In fact the Dow Jones indus In fact, the Dow Jones indus-
trial average actually was up 50 points a fow minutes after the ${ }_{2} 14 \mathrm{p} \mathrm{m}$. announcement as mvestors expressed relief that the central bank had carried through on the numerous sig. Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan. The Dow finished

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Q\&A: Some questions and answers about how the Federal Reserve's decision to raise shortterm interest rates might affect consumers, ther mortgages
their jobs Q: What did the Federa See RATES, Page A3

## 'Under my bill we'd only be making half as much as the big boys in the Capitol.

## Rep. Jack Smith

## since 1980.

"That would bring us roughly even Deville sard.
"But you also ought to consider that t'll probabyy be another 15 years before t gets raised agam.
Smith said he took a less scientific approach. He sald he asked a civic should make and they told him about should make
$\$ 80,000$ a year.

Entergy, Enron square off over electricity deregulation

## BY EDWARD GATELY <br> The panel discussion of "Perspectives

BATON ROUGE - Entergy and Enron squared off Tuesday, at the Public Affairs Research Council's annual conference, over deregulation of electricity
The Alliance for Lower Electric Rates Today (ALERT) and the Edison Electric Institute also took part in the war of words.
on the Deregulation Issue" quickly heatcons of allowing competition in the generation of electricity

The Loussiana Public Service Commission will hold hearings on the issue this summer The issue will be condered at the state and federal levels. Entergy's deregulation proposal,

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Kenneth G. Bacque Sr. SULPHUR - Funeral services Carlyss will be at 2 p.m. today March 26, from Our Lady Prompt Succor Catholic Church.
The Rev. Donald Thomas will officiate. Burial will be in Mimosa Pines Cemetery under direction of Su
Visitation is from 8:30
Mr. Bacque died Monday,
March 24, 1997, in Lake Charles. A native of Port Barre, he
retired from Montell as a maintenance planner/supervisor. H was a member of Our Lady of and Knights of Columbus 3015 He was president of the CCC two years and was a 3rd and 4th Knight of Columbus.
Survivors are his wife, Gloria Bacque; one son, Kenneth G
Bacque Jr. of Westlake: daughters, Debra Dawn Bacque Clement of Carlyss and Darlene Elizabeth Bacque Pearson o : DeQuincy; two brothers, Larry Kirby Bacque of New Orlean two sisters, Jeannette Bacque Hansen and Ramona Bacque elght grandchildren.

## Dr. James R. Bowler III

Funeral services for Dr. Diego will be at 1 p.m. Thursday of Heaven Catholic Church
The Revs. Irving DeBlanc and
Danny Torres will officiate Danny Torres will officiate Cemetery under the direction of
Johnson Funeral Home Johnson Funeral Home.
Visitation is from 4:30-10 p.m
today, with a Scripture service at today, with a Scripture service at
6 p.m., and from 8 a m. Thursday in the funeral home.
Dr. Bowler died Friday,
March 21, 1997, in a San Diego hospital.
A native of Lake Charles, he had lived in San Dlego for nine in biology from McNese State University, where he graduated magna cum laude and was received into Phı Kappa Phi

- National Honor society. He Neceived his medical degree from
LSU School of Medicine and served his residency in School of Medicine in New Orleans. He was a fellow of Pediatric Orthopaedı Surgery at School of Medicine and Children's Hospital and Health Center in San Diego, where he
was clinical instructor in orthopaedic surgery, as well as at
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Diego He was also a diplomat of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and a member of Orthopaedic Surgeons, American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Development Medicine, California Medical Association, and American College of Physi-
cian Executives.
Survivors are his wife, Angela Trahan Bowler; one daughter, one brother, Dr. Thomas Bowler of Sulphur; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Bowler of Lake Charles.
Memorials may be made to the Dr. James R. Bowler III Medical Students at McNeese State University, the family said.

Judy Ann Buck
Judy Ann Buck, 57, will for announced by Hixson Funeral Home. She died in her residence Tuesday morning

## Woodrow Dunn

arrangements for Woodrow Dunn will be announced by Rush p.m. Tuesday in. He died at 6:

## Annie Jewel Gant

Graveside services for Annı Jewel Gant, 82, will be at 11 a.m land Cemetery.
The Rev Dick Scott-Welch will officiate. Arrangements are under direction of Hixson
She died Sunday, March 23,
She was employed by Southern Life and Health Insurance Eastern Star, Rebbecca, Amar anth Society and the Women's
Shriners Group. She was a life Shriners Group. She was a lifetime member of Maple
Survivors are one sister, Mrs Memorials Sheveport Memorials may be made to ation or ch
family sad.

Annie L. Harrison Funeral services for Annie $L$ Harrison, 70 , will be at 1 p.m Mursiay, Maren in, in Saints
Memorial Church of God in hrist.
The Rev. Ivanhoe Terry will officiate. Burial will be in the direction of Combre Funeral Home
day in the church
She died Thursday, March 20, , in a Lake Charles hospital.
dent of Lake Charles most of her life, she was a member of Sants Memorial COGIC, a Sunday school teacher for 53 years, a member of the choir, usher department. She was also a member of the Southwest Louisiana

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Survivors are one brother Hudson Harrison Sr. of Lake Harrison of San Francisco and Lee Ethel Small of Lake Charles.




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Mrs. Eva P. Harrison LEESVILLE - Graveside ser vices for Mrs. Eva Perkin Harrison, 83, were at 10.a.m Tuesday, March 25, in Oak
Forest Cemetery under the direc Forest Cemetery under the direc
tion of Hixson Funeral Home.
Mrs. Harrison died Monday March 24, 1997, in a Leesville care center.

Destiny R. Lemonia FENTON - Funeral services at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. from St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church.
The Rev. Al Volpe will offici-
ate. Burial will be in St. Joseph ate. Burial will be in St. Joseph
Catholic Cemetery under the Catholic Cemetery under the
direction of Johnson Funeral direction
Home.
Visitation is from 8:30 a.m. Thursday in the church.
She died at 7:20 p.m. Monday, Charles residence.
Survivors are her parents, Joseph Lemonia Caleb Osborne Talbert of Lake Charles; one sister, Shawna
D'Nae Lemonia of Lake Charles; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Felton (Marine) Lemonia Sr. of Fenton; her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.
Clarence (Retha) Talbert Jr. of Fenton; and her maternal greatgrandparents, Julia Lowdins of
Welsh and Mr. and Mrs.

## Paul J. Miller

Funeral services for Paul p.m. today, March 26, in Hixson The Rev. Robert Zumalt will officiate. Burial will be in Vistation will be from 8 a m. Mr. Miller died Monday, Marc
tal.

A native of Welsh, he was a longtime resident of Iowa. He School in Lake Charles and was a retired panter. He was a mem Survivors are two sons, David both of Iowa; six sisters, Zul Martin and Alma Miller, both of Iowa, Ruby Laird of Westlake, Ruth Downs of New Caney Texas, and Eula Williams of Dee Park, Tex

Lillie Mae Painter
Funeral services for Lillie
Mae Panter, 83 , will be at 3 pm Thursday, March 27 , from St Henry Catholic Church.
The Rev. Irving DeBlanc will officiate Burial will be in
Highland Memory Gardens Highland Memory Gardens
Cemetery under direction of Hixson Funeral Home
Visitation will be from 1-10
m today with a rosary an 6.30 pm today with a rosary at 6.30 She died Monday, March 24 1997, in a local hospital.
A native of Lacassine, she was a longtime resident of Lake Charles. She was a member of Catholic Daughters, Altar
Society, VIC Group, VFW and Society, VIC Group, VFW and
Knights of Columbus auxiliaries, and was the recipient of the Bishop's Medal.
Survivors are one brother,
Floyd Clay of New Orleans; one Floyd Clay of New Orleans; one
sister, Helen Rasch of Lake Charles; and one half-sister,
Betty Trivillion of Fairbanks.

Opal L. Ray
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Opal Lee Ray, arrangements for Opal Lee Ray,
65 , will be announced by Hixson 65, will be announced by Hixson
Funeral Home. She died Tuesday
in an Alexandria hospital.


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Alvin E. Schubert
BRENHAM, Texas - Funeral services for Alvin Earl "Uncle
Bobby" Schubert, formerly of
Lake Charles, 86, will be at 4 p.m.
today, March 26, in Brenham Memorial Chapel.
The Rev. Mike Habermehl Prairie Lea Cemetery
Mr. Schubert died Sunday Mr. Schubert died Sunday,
March 23, 1997, in a Brenham care center.
A native of Brenham and a
graduate of Brenham graduate of Brenham High School, he attended Blinn College and Texas University Moving to Lake Charles in 1936,
he then went to work for Olin he then went to work for Olin and retired as a foreman in 1969 . A veteran of the Seabees in World War II, he was a member of First Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge and James
7104 of the VFW

Mrs. Oline C. Simmons
Funeral services for Mrs Oline Cooper Sımmons, 84, will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March
from Johnson Funeral Home
The Rev. Irving DeBlanc will officiate. Burial will be in Consolata Cemetery.
p.m. todation is from 11 a.m-10 p.m. today, with a rosary at $5: 30$
p.m.; and from 8 a.m. Thursday.

Mrs. Simmons died at 10:10 p.m. Monday, March 24, 1997, in Lake Charles hospital.
A native of Elton and a resident of Lake Charles since 1934,
she had retired from the She had retired from the after 28 years of service. She had worked for the first Doctor of Pathology in Lake Charles She was a member of W.B. Williamson American Legion
Post 1 Auxlliary and St. Post 1 Auxiliary and
Margaret Catholic Church
Survivors one daughter, Mrs.
Donald (Elame Cooper) Fontenot of Lake Charles; three grandchuldren; and four great-grandchil

Irvin J. Thomas Funeral services for Irvin
John "Mr. T" Thomas Sr., 57, will pe at 8 p.m. today, March 26 Fondel Memorial Chapel The Revs. Franklin E. Fondel
Sr. and Melvin Holloway will Sr. and Melvin Holloway will
officiate. Dismissal will be at 10
 March 27, with
burial in Sacred Heart Ca
Cemetery Visitation will be fro
today.
thomas Mr Thomas died at 3 p.m.
Tuesday, March 18, 1997, in Clinton hospital.
A native of Opelousas, he had
lived in Lake Charles for lived in Lake Charles for most of T's Taxi Cab Co. in Lake Charles T's Taxi Cab Co.
for many years.
Survivors are his wife, Mary Nash Thomas of Omaha, Neb., of Jacksonville, N.C., Vincent Bean, Terrell Bradleyy and Ivan
Stevens, all of Lake Charles, and Stevens, all of Lake Charles, and daughters, Shenla Thomas of of Sepulveda, Calif.: four sisters, Albertine Taylor of Sacramento, Malif., Betty Thomas of Houston, Theresa Thomas of Dallas Texas; one brother, David Thomas of Houston; and eight grandchildren.

 BLESSED EASTER! ?


Homicide arrest
$\qquad$ arrested in connection with March 17 killing of a Lake Charles man
Winston Roy Owens Jr., 20, of Tuesday afternoon for a warran for accessory after the fact to
second-degree murder.
Nikki Andre Schultz, 24, of 320 for a warrant for second-derce fora war.
The victim, Cory Deon fountenot, 20 , of 2418 11th St., was Street north of Broad on March 17. Lake Charles poad on March pulled up, a person cot out a shot Fontenot and got back in the car The shooting was reported by a resident at $7: 51 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. March 17 . Fontenot had gunshot wounds
and was taken to Lake Charles and was taken to Lake Charles was pronounced dead.
LCPD Capt. Joel Smith said possibly a result of an earlier confrontation.
Violent Crimes Task Force
Detective Vic Salvador is the lead investigator.

## Death probe

Authorities are waiting for results of toxicology tests to inmate who collapsed and died in a Lake Charles Police Department holdmg cell Saturday
Lake Charles Police Capt. Kelth Holland sald Tuesday the Calcasieu Coroner's Office is
waiting for toxicology results waitng for toxicology results on
Wendell M. Walker, 29 of 3029 General Twining, and has not ruled on the cause of death
Walker was arrested for
shoplifting at $3: 37 \mathrm{pm}$. Saturd shoplifting at $3: 37 \mathrm{p} \mathrm{m}$. Saturday and was transported to the police collapsed at $4: 30 \mathrm{p}$ m Saturday the holding cell and was rushed to Lake Charles Memorial
Hospital, Holland sad Hospital, Holland sard.
Waker was pronounced dead at 5.18 p.m. Saturday, accordin
to Karen Hunter, Memorral tospital spokesman Holland said Walker was The Violent Crimes Task Force
is investigating Walker's death because he was in police custody

## Investigation

The Calcasieu Sheruff's Office that are possibly linked new case arrested Monday for selling parts from a stolen car and other Marvin C. Ziegler, 43, of 5357 E. Broad St, was arrested at 8 m . Monday for charges of two counts of issuing worthless checks and sux counts of felony heft by fraud.
State Police Troop D and the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office conducted a six-month
investigation of Ziegler'
business, Express Car Care at complaints about llegal activity Complaints about illegal activity the Calcasieu District Attorney's

## Sulphur man

 wasn't arrested
## Woman gets longer sentence for possession of drugs at booking

BY VINCENT LUPO
STAFF WRTTER
of the court's questions coupled with
possession of the contraband substance possession of the contraband substance respect for the court
The judge also chastised LaFleur for The judge also chastised LaFleur for wore a tight, short-cropped blouse which exposed her midriff. Minaldi told LaFleur to wear clothing "which covers your body" next time she comes to ,
LaFleur was present Tuesday to answer three bench warrants which had
been issued for her arrest. She had not actually been arrested on the warrants, but had been told to report to court at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday to explain why she had missed her prior court dates.
She was accused of failing to appear
March 11, 1996, for arraigment on posMarch 11, 1996, for arraignment on pos paraphernalia and drug traffic loitering charges; July 2, 1996, for arraignment on
drug paraphernalia; and of possession of a third count of possiand Dec. 10, 1996, on phernalia.
Minaldi did not acept Minaldi did not accept LaFleur's one court date and missed that one because she did not receive notice of when to appear. The judge found her in contempt on each of the three missed court dates and sentenced her to serve
three days in jail on each count. Minaldi ordered those terms to run one after the other.
After LaFleur was escorted to the holding cell area behind the courtroom she relinquished her personal items including her purse to Joseph Comeaux the security deputy in charge of the area
where inmates are housed awaiting court appearances and transfer back to the parish jail.
Comeaux spotted what he believed to
be a marijuana cigar in an outside pock-

Deputy Tol hand bag. He and Security found a small hand-rolled marijuana cigarette and some rolling papers in the ocket of the purse.
Minaldi was informed of the ery and ordered deputies to bring LaFleur back before the court. The defendant denied knowing the marijuana was in her purse and claimed she had loaned the handbag to a girlfriend who must have placed the marijuana inside. She swore she would have never brought the purse into the courtroom she known the "pot" was there. Minaldi made Schexnayder retrieve marijuana had been found. Even with the large section of the purse snapped shut, the pocket area remained open enough for someone to notice the cigar nside, Minaldi said.
The judge pointed this fact out to the
defendant who continued to deny knowledge of the marijuana. Minaldi asked the record of the case formally indicate the defendant "denied knowledge of the marijuana which was directly in her sight."
"Perhaps you wouldn't miss court if you'd stop smoking this stuff," Minaldi She then chastis he then chastised LaFleur for her inappropriate dress and behavior and
amended the sentence to 30 days on each contempt count to run one after the other for a total of 90 days.
Minaldi ordered Schexnayder to transport the suspected marijuana to the Southwest Louisiana Crime Lab for immediate testing. If the items do not contain marijuana, she said, she will re instate the original nine-day sentence. If the 90 -day term will remain intact Minaldi said.

RATES: Increased rates could make it harder to get loans
from PAGE AI
A: The Federal Reserve's Open rate for the federal funds rats target which banks charge each other for overnight loans, by .25 percentage point to 5.50 percent. The Fed
accomplished this by term securrities to banks, draining money from the banking system and making it more expensive to
This tightening of credit - the
Fed's Fed's first since January 1995 --
intended to somewhat slow the intended to somewhat slow the
economy, whose robust rate of growth threatened to send infla-
tion higher. tion higher.
By ralsing borrowing costs, the
Fed hopes to cool consumer and business borrowing and spending and actually extend the economy's recovery, which is now in its sev-
enth year Q: Will the in
my loans go up?
A Yes One of the first consequences of the Fed's tightening was that banks began to ralse the
prime rate they charge to their prime rate they charge ta to
best customers, as a way to recoup the extra money they now must pay to borrow from each
That increase, which matched the Fed's quarter-point rise, will be
passed along to consumers in the form of higher loan rates. adjusted quarterly or monthly to accommodate changes in shortterm interest tates Fully 85 per-
cent of $U S$. credit cards have adjustable rates, most tagged to
mortgages are quite popular. And
while most car and home-equity while most car and home-equity
loans are not adjustable during th lie of the loan, the fixed rate is
written at a given increment above

Q: will a rise in interest rates make it harder for me
get a loan? A It could
already clamping down on the number and kinds of consumer
loans they were wing interest rates could speed and intensiff that process Borrowers with checkered credtr historres will
be the first to feel the pinch. Q: Do higher rates mean I will be paying mores for groceries, gas and clothing? A. If the Fed's strategy does The whole idea is to brake the prices, not ralse them. But companies will be faced with higher borrowing costs, too. Some may wish
or need to raise prices to compensate Some may be unable, because of competitive reasons, to
pass the cost along to consumers pass the cost along to consumers O: If companies can't pass
along the interest-rate increase, will they have to produce less and cut costs by downsizing? How will the
tightening affect my job? tightening affect my job?
is unlikely to have much effect one way or another But repeated
increases in interest rates increases in interest rates could
eventually slow the economy enough to cut into job growth The
Fed. of course hopes the Fed. of course, hopes that by fine-
tuning the economy with tuning the economy with quarter
point changes, it can ease the

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economy to a steady crawl without provoking a recession
Q: Is the Fed likely to keep raising rates?
A. If history teaches, yes. In the repeated adjustments in monetary policy in order to nudge the econo

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# Can senators judge Senate race fairly? 

I$t$ has become obvious tha there is only one way to ge whether there was fraud in New Orleans on election day in the recent U.S. Senate race assign a hon-political special prosecutor to ook into the matter widespread fraud and equally ser ous denials go far beyond partisan politics has gone out of the window.
Just before a Senate committee investigate alleged election fraud in Louisiana's Senate race, both sides cranked up their political machin ry. And the intensity of the cam aigns of both sides made it obvlfraud, will be in the spotlight.
Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., was declared the winner by 5,788 votes over Republican runoff candidate Woody Jenkins. The loser immediately began gathering evidence which he now says proves that
voter fraud in New Orleans caused his defeat.
The Senate Rules Committee is look into the matter
Jenkins, who has filed more than 00 pages of allegations with the committee, says he's more interestd in overturning Landrieu's victo. y and taking office himself than in cusing exclusively on voter fraud. Landrieu's answer was in the same vein. She accused Jenkins of paign fueled by the "right-wing fringe elements" to force an investigation.

Lost in this war of political rhetoric is the serious question of
whether the law was broken by whether the law was broken by
political machine corruption, illegal corporate contributions and New Orleans Mayor Marc Morial's political organization, LIFE, which has been charged with coercing city workers to campaign for the IFE ballot of candidates that
luded Landreu.
U.S. Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., has asked Attorney General Janet Reno to launch a criminal investigation quickly said Tauzin's request was politically motivated.
The political furor surrounding this whole business gives rise to some serious questions.

- Have partisan positions eached such a polarized point that it is no longer possible to arrive at a fair, objective answer to a question Is it posiblyng poltical? - Is it possible to find within the present politıcal system people who
are capable of an honest, unbiased approach to a political subject?
- Finally, even if such fair-mindad people could be found within the present system, could they exercise that fairness without incurring retribution from the more extreme partisans with whom they must serve?
It is indeed a sad day when Congress becomes so immersed in partisan politics that it is incapable of providing even the most basic mining whether the laws of our land have been broken


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## Justice Dept. wary of Clinton's union pals

WASHINGTON - On the night of
June 17. 1993, Michael Jordan scored 55 points, propelling the Chicago Bulls to victory in a championship series game against the Phoenix Suns.
And in Washington, the boss of an
allegedly mob-connected union allegedly mob-connected union
schmoozed his way to a political slam schmoozed his way to a political slam
dunk- watching the game in the White House with the President of the United States.
"I particularly enjoyed watchng the
NBA playoff game with yowand though NBA playoff game with you, and though a basketball enthusiast like you might
enjoy this memento from the collecton enjoy this memento from the collection
of a longtime Celtic fan," the union chie wrote in a note to President Clinton.
Enclosed was a basketball auto
graphed by one of the greatest to eve graphed by one of the greatest to ever
have played for Boston's storied franchise.
"Thank you for sendmg me the terri ic basketball signed by Larry Bird, Clinton wrote in his thank you note to
Arthur Coia, the president of the Laborers' International Union of North America.
A nice gift to be sure, but one that pales in comparison with the sums of money that Coia and the union have Since Cola rose to its top post in 1993, the union has contributed $\$ 778,150 \mathrm{in}$ soft money to the Democrats. Cola made a personal contribution of $\$ 50,000$
As much of this was going on, the
Justice Department considered Coia an
associate of New England's Patriarca associate of New England's Patriarca
family, the region's dominant branch of family, the regio
La Cosa Nostra.
A civll complant once filed against statues alleges Coia "has associated with, and been controlled and influ, nced by, organized crime figures." Federal authorities say the union, to the detriment of its honest membership, has
been influenced by the mob dating back


#### Abstract

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By special agreement - one that may be workwas allowed to - Cola charge of the union by agreeng to root out its with But the relationships Minstein union and Clinton illus trate a larger problem Contınued attempts by

\section*{organized crime - and those who are} thed to it-to fumnel money into political in at least one 1996 Senate race And in Tennessee, a state not normally synonymous with La Cosa Nostra, six House So far, the focus of the campargn So far, the focus of the campaign the illegal foreign donations that flowed so freely into Democratic coffers But dirty money doesn't have to come from dirty mo abroad. "The muxing of politicians and orgaboth of them were named and since fied," Patrick J Ryan, of the Chicagobased International Association for the Study of Organized Crime, told our assoGeorge Clifford III. Experts we spoke with sard that ften make political contributions through legitimate businesses or other entities under therr control. Though there are voluminous examples of mobsters benefiting after bribes on the local level, there is no evidence hat any political donors with mob thes have benefited poltically or Nevertheless, the presence of mob

Asaro pleaded gulty to three federal elony counts and to funneling tens of Alphonse D'Amato campaigns Sen largest recipient of those contributions argest recipient of those contributions. Federal authorittes said Asaro had ties to organized crime. - In last year's hotly contested race for New Jersey's open Senate seat, the Toricelli, held a $\$ 2,000$-a-head fund-rais er at the home of Frank Walsh Jr Walsh was convicted in 1990 of conspiring to bribe officials of a Teamsters local Federal investigators sald he was an $\square$ His op Republican Dick Zimmer, had a cam paign fund-raising co-chairman who resigned after his state crime probe. A company owned by Eric Wynn, a ecurities fraud that benefited an orga nized crime famly, donated $\$ 25,000$ to he Democratic National Committee The Bergen Record reported the DNC returned $\$ 50,000$ it recelved from a New Jersey company whose vice presi dent had been a business associate of captam in the Luchese crime famly Though it appears that Coia onl Though it appears that Cola only joined Clinton for the basketball game, the two might have spent more time together had it not been for therr busy schedules Clinton had to decline an invitation to play golf with Coia and goll And And correspondences between the two reveal that Coia, busy man that is, was unable to accept the president' invitation to attend the signing of the Israeli-Palestımıan peace agreement.


## Russia's superpower status slowly sinking in Western eyes

WASHINGTON - In a sense, Boris WASHINGTON - In a sense, Boris Yeltsin defined the mood and a measure President Clinton began formal talks in Helsinki. It was a meeting, said Yeltsin, "of the presidents of the two great superpowers."
While the United States tries to redraw the map of Europe with a Western orientation, Russia struggles to convince the world and itself that it remains a superpower.
At the end of their two days of discus-
sions Friday, it was clear that Yeltsin sions Friday, it was clear that Yeltsin greater than the one Clinton and his NATO allies were willing to give their former adversary. The question at the summit's conclusion was how close they came to reconciling their differing perceptions and what it means for th
futute of the relationship.

NATO's expansion eastward to issue that strikes most deeply a Russia's image of itself
"Part of the opposition to NATO there," said Angela Stent a Russian cialist at Georgetown University. " seems to reinforce that the rest of the world is telling them, 'You really aren't that important anymore.
At their closing news conference, the two leaders described the NATO-Russia Asked about differences cerms. Asked about differences certain to
arise between Russia and the Western alliance, Yeltsin replied: "The way we solve these issues is by consensus." That would imply a Russian veto over NATO actions, a condition Clinton was quick
$\qquad$ "The short answer to your question is

American president. To ease the pain, he added that "we are partners."
"Partners, not adversaries" was the constant NATO. he tried to sive Ye economic area that take back to Moscow.
"I am pleased to announce with the approval of the other G-7 nations that we in our annual meeting now to be called the Summit of Elght, in Denver this June," said Clinton
But even here the limit was clear. Russia is not in the same league as the G-7. Much as Russia would like to see it happen, there is no move to make it a $G$ . When that should hanpen, China ould seem a likelier candidate.
Russia is not an economic power,
much less superpower.
Depless superpower.
Deputy Treasury Secretary Lawrence
after the Clinton-Yeltsin news confer ence that the regular business of the $G$ "will contmue to be discussed by the G-7 finance ministers." Russia is not yet
being brought into those talks on what being brought into those talks on
Robert Zoellick, who served simultaneously as counselor to the State Department and undersecretary of state for economic affarrs durng the Bush administration, said it was important to offer the Russians and partnership where we can develop it."
But, he sard, the West also must tell Russia that "if you're not ready for it or you're psychologically all hung up on NATO as an enemy, well, we tried and we'll leave the door open as long as
you're not acting hostilely, but we're not yourre not acting hostiliey, but we're not psychology."
In only one respect could Russia aspire to superpower status: It still ha thousands of nuclear warheads and the thousands of nuclear wa
missiles to deliver them.

We cannot, I think, be so certain of the future of Russian politics as to
ignore the possiblity - a possibility we do not expossiblity - a possibility we do not expect - that we would again Walter Slocombe undersecretary defense for policy, told an American Bar Association breakfast Friday.
Georgetown's Stent believes tha because of Russia's frustration over NATO expansion "the next few year are going to be quite rocky.
She predicted Moscow will remain
vocal in its objection to the alliance vocal in its objection to the alliance mov
ing closer to the Russian border and "will try to put up some countermea sures, but they're really too weak to do much about it."
"We need to walk a fine line, we need to pay attention to the Russian psychology and their sense of their role," said Zoellick "But not at the expense of others."
Donald M. Roth
Donald M. Rothberg has covered nationa

"Hundreds of people showed up," he said He decided to become a preacher but didn't go to seminary or receive any formal schooling.

I came back to my house that Sunday evening and there was no other way to say it but that God was in the room.

Rev. Perry Gaspard
Abundant Life Fellowship
He studied the Bible for himseif and then began Abundant Life Fellowship in his living room on Fifth Street 19 years ago. vice.
A year later, there were 20 people and they bought a store-front building as a place of worship. Then the number grew to more than 100 members and, as Gaspard puts it, "the Lord directed me to build."

He built a church, now the Calcasie
He built a church, now the Calcasieu sevenci yen Aging office, and then built again sent location.
Today, Gaspard speaks and people flock to hear him. As many as 1,800 people attend Sunday services at Abundant Life.
Seven years ago, when it came time to build the new church, Gaspard passed the
hat three times and the congregation gave the necessary $\$ 3$ million to build the auditor um sanctuary.
The entire church facility cost $\$ 5.5 \mathrm{mil}$ lion. It was paid for in cash
"I go to the people and say, 'I feel the ord's telling us to do this.' He speaks to peo le and people give," Gaspard said. Some of the people who helped him build once lived similar to Gaspard before he got ple that keeps him going.

To watch them when you're preaching or the Holy Spirit ministers to them, and you watch their face light up and the chans of oppression broken, that's what it's all about," he said.
for a local option

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-Algiers, sald he plans to push a bill allow ing dockside gambling. He said the move is Mississıppi's dockside casinos.
Goldsby said any bill signed into law by oster would have to require a local option vote in the affected area by the residen
there. part.
It falls within the provisions of local ition. It would ultmately be up the individal people in the area," she said
Calcasieu Parish already has a semi-form dockside gambling with each casıno layers Island Casino and Isle of Caprı
tho
hile the allow one boat to cruse as required
while the other boat stays in
'This is not a pro-gambling stance on his part. It falls within the provisions of local option. It would ultimately be up to the individual people in the area.'

Marsanne Goldsby
Covernor's press secretary
Casino Coushatta - the largest land-based casino in the state.
The Indian-owned casino is located near
Kinder about 30 minutes away from Lake

The biggest argument for permitting total The biggest argument for permittung total boats a level playing field against the Grand

Charles. It continues to expand its operation there. The casino pays no state gaming taxes, but does pay a portion of
A dockside gambling bull would not affect Shreveport or Bossier City because the boats there are already allowed to remann dock side. The only two areas that would benefit and Baton Rouge
Foster has said he will veto any dockside bill that unfringes on the New Orleans casino's exclusivity agreement.
Harrah's Jazz Co, the operator of the bank rupt New Orleans land casino, has sald dock side gambling might infringe its monopoly on land-based casino gambling in the New Orleans area. But as part of the bankruptcy
negotiations Harrah's Jazz agreed not to use changes in riverboat cruismg as an excuse to duck its annual $\$ 100$ million annual tax pay ment to the state.


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## ELECTRICITY: Consultant welcomes competition tempered with 'knowledge, facts'

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before the PSC now, calls for a seven-year transition period - yith a rate freeze during that time. An exit fee also would be charged until the transition is costs."
Stranded costs are expenses above market costs, such as money used to build or expand ower plants.
Entergy consultant Chip Wright said competition is good, with knowledge and facts." One of those facts is Louisianian already are paying below the sational average for electricity, he said.
Utility companies now have an "obligation to serve," but tha competition is introduced, he said.
Wright said that once the vill be is deregulated, there evill be no guara
Rorring Referring to airline deregula ready when you are, but you bet ready when you are, but ter oto Atlanta to get ti." He also said deregulation of
electricity has led to higher customers rates
In England both residential and industrial electricity costs rose after deregulation, Wright said. In Chile and Norway, indus. trial costs dropped, but residential costs rose, he said.
"Everybody gets lower rates? Maybe not," he said. "Not everybody is going to be a winner. Deregulation caused higher
consumer rates on natural gas and local telecommunication, Wright said.
Customer choice is good, he said, but the suppliers also will have that choice and will be under no obligation to serve everyone.
"They may not serve slow pays or some industrial because
it's not profitable," Wright said. He also said utility companies He also said utility companies
in a competitive situation won't be making any long-term plans, and won't be building any new power plants. Nationwide, only one power plant is under construction and the country's
reserve margin is dropping he reserve
Robert Reilley, Enron's gov-
ernment affairs director, said his company is the largest wholesale power marketer in the country. provide retail electricity to customers across Louisiana and the country.
"Louisiana has (customer electricity) rates somewhat below the U.S. average," he said.
"So what? Our rates should be a "So what? Our rates should be a sai Louisianians are still paying a Louisianians are still paying a country because they use their electricity more for air conditioning during warmer months, said
Restructuring would involve integrated utility industry with

one that involves competitive power merchants offering cus-
tomers choices for lower ras tomers choices for lower rates
and better service, he said. Companies like Entergy won' Companies like Entergy won't
be driven out of business, bu will be operating similar to the .S. Postal Service, which the etes with carriers such as comand F .

Press, Reilley
"Restructuring will bring lower prices, diversity in service, better opportunities to manage risk and innovation in all market segments," he said. "There will be all sorts of technological inno
vation."

Reilley also pointed to rece
Reilley also pointed to a recent
study that shows consumer prices have dropped since the
natural gas, long-distance telephone, airline, trucking and railroad industries were deregulat-
ed.
"There's no reason we won't see the same in this industry," he said. Everyone who has service
today will have access to a com petitive market. If you have wires today ... you will get ser vice tomorrow."
As for stranded costs to existing companies, Reilley said that shouldn't slow progress toward David Othrough competition. Electric Institute, said federal initiatives already have resulted in lower electricity bills across states, not the federal govern- said

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## All that's free may not be fit to print

I was in labor less than one hour using the technıque in this new booklet!'

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hat would be irresistble even to jaded journalist types. Yet, here it sits on my desk, one of a stack of come-ons hoping for a spot in
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If you've got some information you'd like to see in the look at it for news value and run t FREE. But back to these commercial plugs.
We're not snobs. Certanly, if of its latest brew, there are parched throats in the news room that will find temporary

That happened recently, in fact, when the company unveled its new Surge soda The prole tariat dove in, pronouned the sugar- and caffen-laced soda mighty tasty, and went about
therr labors. (Another paper to the east worked the event up into a page one story
Not all promotions get that much attention.
In the aforementioned booket, "Takıng the Labor Out of Childburth," author Katrinka Scrivner explains that mothers
to-be can elmmanate "unnecessary pan and discomfort during childbırth" by simply "learning to relax " Yet it languishes, untested, here in the newsroom Here's another example, "press release celebrating the "historic landmark l' the 100t It exhorts us to "developa It exhorts us to "developa as: "Americans purchase 80 can of Campbell's Soup every second." Now, really, if that many soup spoons are already in what more could we do In this one, Lever Brothers,
makers of Dove, Caress, Shield makers of Dove, Caress, Shiel sopranos and antibacterial altos" for a "Singing in the Shower Contest.
Anyone over 18 can win a trip to Universal Studios Hollywood by recording a song, $2-4$ minutes in length, usmg the brand nam
and slogans of these "personal wash products."
Just type or print the lyrics on a sheet of paper, send a photo and send them with your name, address and phone number of 3 -inch by 5 -inch card to. Levert, P.O. Box 16305, Mascoutah, III. 62224-6305. Deadlıne is June 30.
If you win, that's news to me Ed Alderman's e-mall address is

## Public defender there from the start

Ron Ware, who is entering private practice, reflects on 11 years of helping people who couldn't afford a lawyer:
BY VINCENT LUPO
When Ron Ware tried his first crminal jury case as a student at Lewis and Clark La
School 17 years ago he was School 17 years ago, he was
likened to a so-so athlete wh showed some promise during practice but would shine at gametıme.
Unlike, however, the athlete in that analogy - who basks in glory by pulling out the gameWare has been nearly ignore
for his game-winning plays. As one of the orignal Public As one of the orignal Public
Defenders Office staff attorneys, Ware spent most of his legal career helping those who couldn't afford lawyers get fair reatment in the criminal justice ystem
Eleven years later, Ware ha moved on. He is
When Ware completed law school in 1981, he came back to Lake Charles for a public service career that spanned 16 years - first as a prosecutor and thenas a pabic def.nder law began at Lewis and Clark As a senior he worked in the misdemeanor section of the Portland public defender's office as obtaned his first taste of jury trial experience Oregon, unike
Loussana, allows jury trials for misdemeanors.

## 'There were high

 points and low points. Some of the high points were found in just wery simple things - people saying thank you. I get a card sometimes saying, "Thank you for caring."Ron Ware
Packing up as public defender
"My first time out, I got a hung jury," he said who was in and out of the courtroom during the trial, wa there to hear Ware's closing argument. So were the head of


Ron Ware boxes up his belonging at the Public Defenders Office in Lake Charles. One of the office's origial lawyers, he has entered private practice this month.
were both surprised - and mpressed.
It was then he became analogzed to the "so-so" athlete When Ware moved back to Lake Charles he was a law clerk for then-District Attorney Leonaird Knapp.
When he passed his bat exam in October 1981, he was promoted to an assistant district attorney in the misdemeanor section. When Knapp left office, Ware stayed on. He worked for then District Attorney Richard Ieyoub until 1986 when the 14th1 Defenders Office
Then he switched to defense. Ware sald his personality was more suted for crfense
"And I hke the underdog rol Ware said the fact that his chents couldn't pay never undercut his ability to defend them and, in some cases, even "Ive had occasions where a "Tve hat occasions where a chent would pay me something on the side I told them 'that's not going to make a difference what I do or in the outcome of the case. Im not supposed to
that, and you can save your.
'My first time out, I got a hang.jury.'

## Ron Ware

One of original staff attorneys
for Public Defenders Office

## money because I know it's

 involved in this situation,' '" he said.As with most public defenders' offices, the one here is funded by the state and from fines and court costs pald by those found guilty The m
managed by an Indıgent Defender Board, which pays the PDO staff.
Ware said that because he
never took any money from
clents, some did not see him as
.
"Some people have asked me,
When you get through with lawyer" - as if this is some sort of internship
"And It's kind of funny. Now that I'm in private practice, I feel like I've finally 'gotten here '"
Most of his clents, however, and an effective advocate,"

So w
PDO?
Ididn't want to get locked in as a career crimınal attorney prosecution or criminal defense -exclusively," he said. "I wanted to do other things. "And I felt sunce I'm 42 now such a major career move, now was the time. I've been thinking about this for two or three year and finally got the courage to ke the move "
Ware sald the stress and stran of the PDO was offset by the "fuu" of workng with
"one big famly of staff."
"We have had marriages
and deaths just like in any family, times of joy and laughter, times of desparr and ears," he said of the PDO "You're close knit Everybody pitches in and wants to help and understands yourre her he client became the client of the office
"There were high pounts and low points. Some of the high points were found in just very simple things - people sa
thank you I get a card hank you I get a card for carmg '
"That's makes us feel good

## Public defenders fill void

 specialized staff of attorneys who represent people accused of criminal charges who can't rd a lawyer.Before the creation of the DO, the courts appointed alto who agreed to represent indigent defendants. Before the volunteer ist was used, the courts rotated cases among all Southwest poustiana attorneys who had number of years. Attorney's names were removed from the * 1st after the attorney had pras.
ticed for at least 25 years. The local PDO, housed on the seventh floor of the Bank One buulding on Lakeshore Drive, serves all courts in Calcasieu.
John LaVern has been the executive durector since the offiee opened on Jan. 1, 1986. The office now has a staff of seven attortionist and a pool of secretaries.
Other attorneys are under acing certan types of charges, uch as worthless checks.
The PDO is governed by a Board appointed by the judges of the 14th Judicial District Court The board is presently headed by Chris Trahar
The budget for the PDO is Trahan. The office is primarily funded from court costs and fines.
The PDO is routinely appointed to represent defendants who say they are not able to employ an attorney. The appointments
are made either during Rıght to Counsel court conducted twice weekly in the Calcasieu Correctronal Center for defendants who have not bonded out or at the alcasieu Judicial Center arralgnment proceedings for those defendants free on bail. Judges can question a defen-
dant about his or her financial situation before determining whether a free attorney will be named A defendant who may no independent attorney, but who the judge determunes can pay something toward the cost of legal epresentation, may be ordered to up to a certain maximum.

## Ware's advice: Give public defenders better resources

BY VINCENT LUPO
In a word, Ron Ware says what public defenders' offices in Loussiana need is "Money "
Ware should know. Untly he left this month, he and Executive Director John
LaVern were the only two original Lavern were the only two original
attorneys stll on staff with the local Public Defenders Office. After 1i years, Ware is going into private practice "(Public defenders) are going up against the resources of the state (prosecutors). The DA's offices say they need more
about that.
"It's just not a level playıng field in terms of resources and research .... I think funding is the primary problem you know to hire more lawyers and lighten the caseload."
Ware said "the money" keeps more qualified attorneys from being attracted to public defenders' offices; getting the brighte a students to join, and keepng them.. He sald the high turnover rate is not as "Everyone needs to be adequately
compensated for what they do, and it makes a difference in the number of lawyers we have to handle the number
cases we have."

Ware sald the caseload was stufling and lack of
'It's Just not a level playing field in terms of resources and research ... I think funding is the primary problem throughout the state and here locally ...

## Ron Ware

Outgoing public defender
"In a perfect world you would like more (resources), and this is not a perfect world .. At times - when you had to prepare for but not devote as much attention to the other cases You always felt like you were behind and had to catch up.
"Sometimes I caught up, I don't know
how, but I caught up. And, for the most
part, I was ready to go on every (case) But you always wonder, he said. "Why didn't I do this?" or at the end wonder "I think that is typical of all attorneys" As an advocate for his clents, a puble As ander doesn't measure his success by the number of acquittals. Ware uses the erm "dispositional justice" to describe hat to which a public defender strives.
"The clent may not be acquitted but the disposition is farr and just. He may be convicted of a lesser... offense
"So when we talk about whether the ase was concluded justly, we talk about

## Area students win Math Fair honors

The Calcasieu Parish Teachers of Mathematics and McNeese State University have an nounced the following grades winners of the Math Fair. Special Education Division St. John, Feucht's class. Kindergarten Division I: St. John, Guillory's class; 2. J.l. Watson, Pekar's class; 3. St. John, Dore's class.
i'st Grade Division Dolby, Houston's class; 2. St.
john, Keasler's class; 3. Oak Park Hastings' class.

## 2nd Grade Division

Dolby, Shavers' class: Watson, Edmaiston's class; 3. St. John, Dupin's class. 3 3rd Grade Division 1. St. John, Davis' class; 2. St. John,
Thomas' class; 3 . St. John, Thomas' class; 3. St. John, ith Grade I 4th Grade, Individual Dolby, Michael Kingrey; 2. TS.
Cooley, Christopher Damian; 3. Dolby, Kdtie Gentry 4th Grade, Group St. John, Garrett Carnahan/Hayden Sherman, 2.5 John, Dana Hazel/Brittany
LaSage; 3 . St john, Britany Guillory/Angelina Tramonte. 5th Grade, Individual W.T Henning, Krista Koonce; 2.
St. John, Todd Guillory; 3. (school not avallable), Jessica Woods.

Sth Grade, Group St. John, Charles Stenbeck/
Shane McCully 2. J.1. Watson Jennifer Guillory/Julie Wilkinson 3. Dolby, Brittany Laughlin/ 6th Grade, Individual 6th Grade, Individual Maplewood, Chrisy Baggett; 3. SJ . Welsh, Brian Thibodeaux 6th Grade, Group . SJ. Welsh, Jessica Martin/Laure
Miller: 2. W.W. Lew Miller; 2. W.W. Lewis, Garret
Coares/Andrew Wright 3. SJ. Coates/Andrew Wright; 3. S.
Welsh, Brad Babineaux/Brandon Mason.
Th Grade, Individual F.K. White, Lauren Martin; 2. F.K
White, Mandi Jordan; 3. W.W. Lewis. Jeffery Fruge. 7th Grade, Group .W.W. Lewis, Jared Abshire/Cint Brigrendıne; 2. W.W. Lewis, Kayia
Taylor; 3. SJ. Welsh, Celeste Broussard/Ann Rouse. 8th Grade, Individual Welsh, White, Laura Young; S.J. Welsh, John Gudroz; S.J. Welsh,
Thomas Lejeune. 8th Grade, Group Shamburger/Nick Terracina; 2. SJ. Welsh, Byron Barnett/Darren Fournerat, 3. W.W Lewis, Steven Burgin/Jared Lee. 9th Grade, Individual 2. Sam Houston, Kyle LaRocque; 2. Sam Houston, Elizabeth
3 Sam


Nelson Elementary School fifth-grader Jacob DeLucca sweats it out as judges Charles Allen and Linda Bradley decide if his "Best Bargains When Buying Batteries" exhibit will make the cut at the Calcasieu Parish Teachers of Mathematics and McNeese State University Math fars event which is unique to Calcasieu and Jeff Davis parish schools.

9th Grade, Group 1. Sam Houston, Eric Hebert/Jada Himel; 2. Sam Houston, Josh
Casey/Garland Deramis 3 Sam Casey/Garland Deramıs 3 Sam Houston, Chris Berryman/Rick
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Callen/Rebecca Williams; 2. Sam
Houston, , Joan Cranata/Dawn
Oglesby; 3. Washington-Marion,
Allissa Antoone/Shaylon Williams.
11th Grade, Individual

1. Washington-Marion, Latoya Smith;
2. Sam Houston, RRon Criffin; 3 .
Sam Houston, Gina Pfeffer.
11th Grade, Group
3. Sam Houston, Blake
Beard/Bobbyy Harrngton, 2. Sam
Houston, Matt Cormier/Amy

Parkins; 3. Sam Houston, Josh Crandy/Sabrina Whitaker. 2th Grade, Individual . Sam Houston, Seth Bark, 2 Sam
Houston, Bran Bougeols; 3. Sam Houston, Brian Bougeols; 3. Sam
Houston, Joshua Malveaux. 12th Grade, Group Sam Houston, Jessica Chisolm/Spence Hegener, 2. Sam Houston, Brandy Buller/Julie Rhymes, 3 Sam Houston, Keth

## Woman, teen daughter accused in phony adoption



SLIDELL (AP) - A woman and her teen-age daughter arranged the illegal sale of a baby they were making a legal adop. they were making a legal adop-
tion, authorties alleged Tuesday. The unidentified adoptive parBridgette M. Pitts, 42, and her The Kandy Link
Prien Lake Mall
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Sugar Free Jelly Beans
Sugar Free Chocolates
Candy Filled Coffee Mugs
Easter Peppermint Baskets

18-year-old daughter were arrested Tuesday morning and booked Sheriff Kodney Stram sald
The daughter's name was not The daughter's name was not 17 when the alleged crime occurred
The sheriff's office gave the following account.
In 1995, a 16 -year-old grrl who was a friend of Pitts' daughter became pregnant She somehow managed to keep the pregnancy a secret from her own parents,
even up to the time she began having labor pains
Ms Pitts is accused of arranging for the pregnant girl to go to a
hospital in Bay St Louis, Miss., where she was admitted under

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the name of Ms Pitts' daughter. The girls' parents were told she was stay
with friends.

The baby was born and varıous documents necessary for an adoption were forged Pitts' daughter signed as the mother of the baby.

An adoption was arranged with a Virgmia couple who pad $\$ 1,750$ for the baby, apparently
believing it was a legitimate fee believing it was a legitimate fee
for a legal adoption. Months for a legal adoption. Months some of her friends what happened
"They, in turn, told the grl's mother, who came to the sheriff's office," the news release said
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Ce, "the news release said } & \text { County, M1ss, also were investi- } \\ \text { After an mnvestigation, a judge } & \text { gating, the sheriff's office said. }\end{array}$
in Virginia ruled that the adoptive family may keep the baby for the time being
"Additional legal action pending, as the brologıcal fam y now wants the baby returise sald.
Both the adoptive parents and he boological mother apparently believed the adoption was lega
"Pitts may have been involved in other 'adoptions' whule operat ing as the 'Bright Begimning Adoption Agency,", the news release said
Authorities in Hancoc

Officers graduate from academy
Thirty-three officers from 16 area law enforcement departments graduated last week from
the Calcasieu Regional Law the Calcasieu Regional Law
Enforcement Training AcadeEnfo
my.
State law requires all peace within receive Basic Training Within a year of their
enforcement employment.
The Calcasieu academy is a state-accredited, regional training academy for agencies in
Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron and Jeff Davis parishes. The training includes more than 320 hours of instruction in various aspects of law enforcement.
The academy is under Calcasieu Sheriff Wayne McElveen's administration and Carolyn
Matney is the director. Matney is the directo
Those graduating and their agencies are
Robert Beane, Mike Campbell, Mike Halter, Beauregard Craig Fortenberry, Rhonda Gayle, Sulphur Police Department; George Bowen, Michael Lloyd, Kerth Perkins, Kent
Pevoto, John Thibodeaux, Pevoto, John Thibodeaux,
Jackie Vitatoe, Joannie Williams, Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office; Doug Britnell, Randy Robinson, Thomas A. Wier, Coushatta Tribal Police; Rex Carter, Jennmgs Police Depart ment.
Also
Also, Theo Chantlin, Regrnald Jenkins, Richard Price, ment; Matt Daley McNeese Police Department, Elizabeth Doucet, Annale Manuel, John Welsh, Loussiana Probation and Parole; Norrte Falgoust, Louis1-
ana Alcohol Beverage Control; ana Alcohol Beverage Control; Department, Gerald Hoffpauir, Loursiana State Police Safety Enforcement.
Also, Dannel Kıbodeaux, Jeff Davis Sheriff's Office, Brandon Blane Manuel, Chris Savoie, Cameron Sheriff's Office; Brandon Singleton, Lousiana State Police Department; and Tim Standish, Oakdale Police Department
Special awards were given to Williams, class president; Falgoust, highest scholastic award, Lloyd, defensive tactics award; Perkins, first place
firearms award, Manuel, second place firearms award and Daley, third place firearms
award

Board member, mayor study possibility of new access road


Sulphur Industrial Park full, Industrial Board President Dick Kennison told the Board Tuesday that he and Mayor Charles Reed are doing some
preliminary research into prellding an access road for the city-owned property north of the park
The 27 -acre tract is not
cleared, and it is difficult even to get on the property to look it

Reed sard even bullding minımal r
Reed sadd the city is interest ed in trading the acreage for comparably valued site that would be more suitable for ark and another industrial inquiries about that possibility He sald the property has
been appraised, but he didn't Kenmison also told the Board that the land sale to Superior Carriers is all but finalized.
Reed said the only remaining hurdle is the state Bond Commission, which is expected to approve the sale when it
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Agroup of citizens are asking the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury ecent decisions involving the Westlake Group.
Last week, police jurors voted supply the court system a leter about the economic impact of Westlake Group expansion We Westake Petrochemical Bowdoin Road.
Both the Calcasu Leave nvironmental Action Now CLEAN) and the Louisiana andironmental Action Network LEAN) have filed lawsuits gainst the state Department of ing arr permuls to the Wor 1ssuGroup
Those permits are required by the DEQ for the expansion project
A dozen citizens, led by Road resident Kathy Landry, sent Police Jury President rancis Andrepont a letter askthe letter to the courts.
They also said they object to he Police Jury decision to allow estlake Group contractor Civil onstruction Co. and Environmental Services Inc to run its for a 15 day period
That resolution passed with one dissenting vote - that
police juror Larry Curre. The catizen group suggest he Police Jury call a special meeting to be held this week.
If no meeting is held, they asked police jurors to explan why and to postpone the two and the borrow pit untul the cit zens are given more information Andrepont sald Tuesclay that he would not call a special meet ing this week because Parish Planner Jimmy Vickers, who has been working on the zoning matters, is out of town
He also sand the decisions made at last week's meeting Jury meets agan on April 3
He said he sent a letter to Landry invitung her and the othe

## ON CAMPUS

SHAWNEE, Okla. - Thre tudents from Lake Charles were included on the honor rol University for the 1996 Fall
semester
Dustin Ash, a pastoral ministries major, and Karen nown, a biology major, wer Honor Roll

Erik Gause, a youth ministries major, was on the Qualfications for the President's Honor Roll include the completion of 12 or more hours of academic coursework with a term grade point average 370 above.
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John Heyd Veron and Amanda Parker pock eggs during Egg Olympics recently. Pocking eggs is an old Cajun traditon using the more pointed end of two hard-boiled eggs. after the two eggs are knocked lightly together is the winner and gains possession of the other person's egg. Th winning egg goes on to battle it out with other eggs until it finally "cracks up.

Man turns self in after bus altercation


#### Abstract

gone onto the 44 -year-old drıver's DERIDDER - A 23 -year-old the altercation, Fontenot is - A 23-year-old local man has been arrested in con- nection with an altercation involving a female Beauregard Parish school bus driver late last week Beauregard Parish Sheriff's Office spokesman Office spokesman Robert McCullough sald Michael Dean Fontenot of 128 Ethan Allen Road Fontenot of 128 Ethan Allen Road was arrested Monday after turn charged with simple battery, dis turbing the peace and entry on or remaining after beng forbidden He was booked into the Beauregard Parish Jail on the Beauregard Parish Jan on the day after postmg a $\$ 2,000$ bond McCullough said the inciden McCullough sald the inciden La 26 about one mule east of the Hilltop Grocery Store in front of ntenot's ho Fontenot is alleged to have alleged to have used profanty and threatened the driver, who as not identufied The conflict occurred in front of about 40 chldren, rangnng fro grades preschool to 8 th grade McCullough to 8 th grade pulled a stick from the dash pulled a stick from the das threatened by Fontenot's advances. She used the stick to poke Fontenot in the chest in effort to get him off the bus. However, as Fontenot was get ting off the bus he grabbed the driver's coat and pulled her off the bus. While outside the bus, Fontenot took the stick away from the driver. She was able to get back into the bus and as she was closing the door Fontenot threw the stick and hit the bus' door


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Friday but were unable to locate him untıl he turned himself in Friday
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District A
CANDIDATE PROFILE


Lake Charles City Councl District incumbent Samuel
"Sam" Tolbert Jr. faces chal lenges from Raymond M. Fondel Jr. and former city councilman Dennis C. Ware coun
II.
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Fondel, 30, is a senior claum representative for State Farm Insurance Co. A graduate of a bachelor of science degree in busuress management and attended MSU graduate school. Fondel belongs to Prince Hall Grand Lodge F \& AM, Cornerstone Lodge 229, Lake University Alumni Federation Toastmasters and ACORN He's been a volunteer coach the Lake Charles recreation department and is narrator for the Rosa Fondel Memorial Chapel Spiritual Program. Tolbert, 38, is seeking his second term in office. For the Greater Saint Mary
Missionary Baptist Church His bachelor of arts degree in theology is from Bishop

College in Dallas. He was a Lake Charles Housing Authority commis board member for Abraham's Tent, InterFath Caregivers and Southwest Housing Foundation; vice president of Louisiana Home and Foreign
Mission Baptst State Mission Baptist State Missionary Baptist Association
Ware, 74 , served on the Lake Charles City Council from 1987-93. He is a former educator, newspaperman and salesman who retired as service manager of Manpower Temporary Services in 1984 ny His master of arts in educatronal sociology is from the University of Chicago. He belongs to the NAACP, LOJE, Promethuans, Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, the American Legion, Veterans of
Foreın Wars and many other Forefess Wars and many other organizations on both local and state levels

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## ABOUTETE DISTRICT

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5,043 Democrats; 282 Republicans, 666 others


|  | Raymond M. Fondel Jr. Democrat | Samuel "Sam" Tolbert Jr. <br> Democrat | Dennis Ware Democrat |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Are you in favor of creating a district in the downtown area where tax breaks, tax incentives and other help from the city would be available to businesses which locate there? | I support the idea of tax Incentives and tax breaks within the downtown area, and I recommend that it be inclusive of the entire District A. | Yes. | Yes. Implementing ... (the) plan proposed by the present administration is a starting point ... (which includes) the much-discussed South Rallroad Avenue will put us well on our way toward moving ahead together with dignity and honor. |
| 2. What do you propose, if anything, for economic development in the north Lake Charles area? | Upgrade the infrastructure of District <br> A, i.e., roadways, drainage, sewerage, electrical power, water and public transportation. I will promote the location of banks in north Lake Charles to promote reinvestment back into our communty. Promote business that will create a positive impact in our community | I propose to work with the mayor City Council and the private sector to implement the proposal by the city's economic development and planning department for the Rallroad Avenue area. | Caming's ... base of operations is in District A. We need to capitalize on its spinoff capabiltties. The area between North Ryan and the Calcasieu River has tremendous amusement park pos- sibilities which should be exploted. A heavy duty extension of North Enterprise Boulevard through the Powell property on the old rallroad right-of-way to Fitzenreiter Road would furnish an industrial route, largely off residential streets, for businesses between it and the river. |
| 3. What specific projects would you like to see funded by the money the city gets from riverboat gaming? | Citywide dranage project Free addictive rehabilitation center which is inclusive of drug, alcohol, gambling. etc. | Street, dranage, recreation facilities and other non-recurring expenses | Adjusted grants from the riverboat millions could greatly improve the infrastructure. With these, people who were not offered sidewalks, closed ditches and decently paved streets before construction costs skyrocketed could get these improvements at prices close to those pald by others. <br> These improvements are now beyond their financial capabiltites. With these grants they would pay a realistic far share for needed neighborhood improvements |
| 4. What specific plans do you have to expand city recreation facilities and where do you think a proposed $\$ 3$ million recreation center should be built? | Computer learning center Promote senior citizen programs Expansion of existing programs for young people East of Lake Charles, where large tracts of land are avalable with easy access from both north and south Lake Charles via Interstate 210 | First, I beleve that we should upgrade the present facilttes and recreation programs and then work towards a mult-sports facility that will be centrally located | Reopening the scenic road between the Cobb Memorial Launch and the park where the launch was originally supposed to be, a soccer field. in the open tract just northwest of the Woodring Lateral pumps, a park or plavground, roughly midway between the Goosport Recreation Center and the facility located at Ryan and Seventh Streets The proposed $\$ 3 \mathrm{mt}$ lion recreation center should be on the Calcasieu River, on River Road west of Ryan Street |
| 5. Are you satisfied with the job the Police Department is doing and with the image it has? What changes, if any, would you make? | We are not where we want to be, but we are surely not where we were Increase protection for the elderly and senior citizens More minority policemen Higher minority police visibility in our community | Not completely The Police Department can be improved by city funded community policing positions being created, promoting of more minorities to supervisory positions. more training provided, especially in the area of race relations, more of the budgeted positions filled as soon as possible in order to get more patrol personnel on the streets, and to continue to develop a system to cut down on the paperwork the patrol officers have to do in order for them to fight crime and spend more tume patrolling | Not satisfied with the job the Police Department is doing or the negative image it suffers it is perceived as distant and arrogant Much of this is because it does not reflect the society that it serves Minorities are a little over 16 percent of a force that serves a city that is over 40 percent black I would first try for an attitude adjust- ment Then, a more open and realistic recruitment program, a more objective approach to screening applicants and a greater effort to instill more respect of all people and their rights in all recruits and the existing personnel |
| 6. Do you have any ideas or thoughts about the use of the Civic Center? | Expand existing man coliseum for greater seating capactity and also contract with professional promoters to schedule events | The Civic Center renovation must be continued until the entire facility is renovated and the coliseum must be enlarged so that our Civic Center can be competitive in the Lake Charles/Beaumont/Lafayette market area | The greatest chances of success (comes) when the best avarlable people are hired and then allowed to do their jobs It is said Al Harris is a good manager Let him prove it Give him a chance to work his magic <br> Let hum feel fully free to do his job, under administrative supervision, without encumbrances If he can put together a mix of programs, prices and public relations that pass public scrutiny, support him to the fullest if he cannot, get someone who can |
| 7. Do you think the city can do more to be better prepared for emergencies such as bad weather like the ice storm or a hurricane - and what, if any, specific preparedness plans would you implement? | Yes Develop an emergency preparedness plan pamphlet that would include the location of emergency shelters and emergency tems needed as well as phone numbers of all service agencles within the city <br> Also the improvement of early warning system | Yes The process of the city of Lake Charles getting more information to its citizens should be improved More city personnel should be visible and out on the scene and all city elected officials should be briefed constantly so that they can help in the spreading of information <br> The City Council should call a special meeting to get an update and to give the major emergency powers | Yes Give added emphasis to crisis handling in the traning of all fire, police and public works personnel, create well-marked emergency escape routes Add shrubbery pruning to the duties of the flower planters. duttes of the flower planters. <br> Cooperate fully with 911 and the Sherif's Office on location of the aged, IIl and infirm and the health establishment for their care during emergencles Include all new innovaness traning and pray to God that we never have to use what we know |



## OPINON

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BZA 97-06: LAKE CHARLES ZONING ORDINANCE \#7717 APPLICANT: PHILLIP LEWIS SUBJECT: Applicant is requesting a Variance to construct an
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minimum side setback of 5' 5 2' for the North sebbek of Lots 1 Location of the request is E/S Ernest North of Sale.
ant person may speak or submit a written statement for AEARING PURPOSES. THE APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING MATERLAL ARE ON FLLE AND OPEN FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF ZONING AND LAND USE, 7 TH FLLOOR, CTTY HALD
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## WHAT'S AHEAD

Clothing giveaway
Messiah Missionary Baptıst Church will give clothes to the needy at noon, Wednesday,
March 26 at 2605 Poe Street.

## Rotary Club

The Greater Lake Charles Rotary Club will meet at noon Bayou Pines.

La. educator named to post
COLUMBUS, Miss. (AP) arish (La.) Schools, is the ne superintendent of Columbu Municipal Schools.
Although the school board has yet to take a formal vote, replace the retiring Reuben Dilworth.
He has excellent leadership skills," said board presiden felt he was somebody we coul present to all the community."
Bush is currently superinten dent of a school system with
31,000 students and a budget o s178 million. By comparison, Columbus schools has abou , 600 students and a $\$ 27$ million. Bush was selected from a lis of seven candidates
"We looked at all seven (can idates) thoroughly and (Bush) didate," Adams sald
The school board is expected o make a formal announcemen about Bush's hiring on Thursday.

ans Affars has extended the eliglblity period for compensation or Persian Guif war veteran according to VA Secretary Jesse Brown
The extension is through Dec 1,2001 and will become effective when it is published in the
Federal Registry later this ycar Of the 84,000 veterans clam ng a disabity related to Guif aready been approved by the V under conventional criteria
Where an illness or mjury shown by service medical standards to have occurre before discharge, a veteran of can be service connected and compensated based on the degre of disability
Persian Gulf War veterans have the additional benetit cove Lawmaker complains of 'bleeding hearts'

BATON ROUGE (AP) - To many public offictals have to vers, a legislator says
"Bleeding heart judges and leeding heart legislators don want to put them off the road, Rep Warren Triche, D Thibodaux, complaned as th House Appropriations Commit auto insurance
His comments were to In surance Commissioner Jim Brown, who had taken the occa sion Tuesday to boost his plan or bringing down costs, includ ng seizure of vehicles driven by for drunk driving.
Brown also wants to make ougher for district attorneys to allow lesser pleas for drunk dr ers, a move that keeps a DW offense off the records
Triche continued to complain about judges giving light sen make the laws tougher.
"Until someone in their fam ies is killed by a drunk drive heir hearts won't stop bleeding," he said.
is no general requirement under Gulf vegulations that a Persian exposure of cause-and-effect With this change, an undrag. nosed $111 n e s s$ that appears at any
time before Dec. 31, 2001, will now be presumed to be related to service in the Persian Gult
advantage of the protocol physica examination under the Persian Gulf Registry, or who have gener al questions about the Persian Gulf experience, environmental
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Rapides Parish School Board President Sylvia Pearson and board member Walter Catlin Rapides Parish School Board President Sylvia Pearson and board member Watter Gatlin year. The weapons include large knives, pocket knives, razor blades and BB pistols.

## Second-grade girl gets reprieve

## over knife on grandpa's watch fob

ALEXANDRIA (AP) - A second-grader tossed into disher grandfather's watch fob to show-and-tell will be allowed to return to regular classes.
But before reinstating Kameryn Lueng on Monday night, the Rapides Parish School Board spread a table with confiscated weapons to defend itself against criticısm a "zero tolerance" policy

The weapons confiscated

rusty butcher knife, several
small opened pocket knives mall opened pocket knives,
brass knuckles, razor blades, a money clip with two small blades, a BB pistol, a cap pistol. People think that we've been nit-pıcking," board presdent Sylvia Pearson said. Kameryn, 8, was sent to the district's Redirection Academy after her expulsion earlier this m
Phoenix Magnet

She said she was glad to leave the disciplinary school,
ard-core problem students. The girl's mother, Cheryl Redirection Academy had been hard on her daughter. "It's upset me bec Kameryn was removed from regular classes after she brought a watch fob to Phoenix Magnet with a small knife attached used for clean ing fingernalls
The student brought her for show-and-tell.

National groups praise efforts of Lake Charles school

A local elementary school was one of four Louistana schools recognized by the U.S. National Association of State Title I Coordınators for its performance in educating a

"Der arisk chilren. against them, including high poverty and its attendant ills, poverty and its attendant ills, standing job of educating our youth," State Superintendent of Education Cecil Pıcard sard of Jessie D. Clifton Elementary.

Clifton Elementary, along with the other schools, wrote plans to reform and upgrade their curricu-
la after assessing therr constituen cles and examining their pupuls performance on the Lousiana Educational Assessment Program
(LEAP) and the Calfornia (LEAP) and the Callfor

As a result pupl perfor
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the school has increased each year for the past three years and parents are signficantly involved in their chuldren's education, said a news release from the Louisiana
Department of Education

Olla-Standard Elementary in Olla, Siclly Island Elementary in Sicily Island and Zwolle
Elementary in Zwolle are the other three schools which were aso recognized.
More than half of the student at Clifton receive free or reduced
price lunch, which is the first cri price lunch, which is the first cri itle I program, the release sald. The school will receve it award in May at the Internationa Readung Association's 42 nd annu al conference which will be held in Atlanta


Panel plans for City Hall, police station renovations BY HECTOR SAN MIGUEL

The Lake Charles City Council took the first step Tuesday in getting renovations under way for City Hall and the main Police Station.
City councilmen Woody Watson and Mike Huber submit ted the items at the Council's agenda meeting Tuesday.
will be voted on next month.

The ordinances call for s ing sealed bids on the two pro jects. The city has budgeted $\$ 400,000$ for the City Hall work and another $\$ 90,000$ for police sta tion renovations.
Watson said he was glad to submit the item for City Hal work because it will include fix ing the building's two elevators. major headaches because they are so slow in moving from floor to floor.
buildiney were installed with the building in 1949. I hope we can a lot of wasted Watson said.

## LAKE CHARLES CITY COUNCIL

"It's just not the employees year's budget.
hat work in the building being affected but a lot of people doing Gusiness with City Hall here. They have to take the elevators planning department"
Watson said it's a "was time" for people to wait especial ly when one of the two elevators is not working.
The renovations will also include installation of a voice evacuation fire alarm and a tandby generator.
Huber put the item on the agenda seeking bids for the work o the Central Police Station on nterprise Boulevard.
Cty officials said the city will take $\$ 150,000$ initially budgeted
for police computer systems and use $\$ 90,000$ of it for renovations on the police station.

The city has budgeted $\$ 65,000$ for actual renovation work and another $\$ 25,000$ for a new backup The remainder of The remainder of the funds

In other action, the Council its agenda:
$\square$ a resolution commending the Mayor's Clean City Board for
its work in the annual Cleanest City Contest and Trash Bash collection.
"They work awful hard for one thing. That is to make our city beautiful," said City Councilman Buddy Prejean.
He said the Clean City Board is sponsoring its annual Trash Bash on April 12. It is held annu-
ally for the collection of trash and recyclable materials. $\square$ an ordinance authorizing the city's finance director to make application to the Lousiana Office of Emergency Preparedness and Federal Emergency Management Agency or "eligible ice storm debris removal and repairs costs."
Mayor Willie Mount said the city will seek to recoup 75 peìcent of money the city spent on
the January ice storm.

Non-farm jobs in state increase by 47,700 over a year


#### Abstract

NEW ORLEANS (AP) dipped below the national figure in February as non-farm employment in the state continued growing steadily. An economist said that because of revisions made last month by the state in 1996 job figof Louisiana's strongest-growing economic sectors, instead of one losing jobs as originally thought. Louisiana State University economist Loren Scott also said that the state has a "schizophrenic manufacturing" sector seeing an increase in manufacturing jobs a sharp fall in the apparel industry. The state added 47,700 non-


and February 1997. February's
nemployment rate was 52 perrevised acrease from January's state labor department said The national jobless rate dropped to 5.3 percent in Februar Lousiana is adding non-farm oursiana is adding non-farm annually, a bit higher than the 25 percent predicted in October by a group of university economists. For now, the state appears to be in line to sustain its 10th consecutive year of non-farm job gains, a trend that began after
Loussiana's economy largely Louisiana's economy largely
crashed in the collapse of oll and natural gas prices James Robert Michael, a labor

University, sald that although the job growth figures were ment pictus, the state's employweak spot: service jobs a potential ing at a much-faster rate than oods-producıng jobs
Although deepwater drilling In the Gulf of Mexico, along with renewed interest in land and ed the petroleum industry Michael said that segment of the state's economy is about at its verage of 50,500 jobs The unemployment rate in all of the state's metropolitan areas dropped in February Among the
parishes, Red River Parish had the parishes, Red River Parish had the 20.8 percent. Lafourche Parısh had 20.8 percent. Lafourche Paris


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New LSU coach must win over skeptics, recruits

BATONROUGE - Some of the members of the original Brady Bunch were on hand Tuesday to welcome LSU's new No wernotalki
No, we're not talking about the TV
show. We're talkingabout the fans from Crowley, where a 22 year-old John Brady began his coaching career 20 years ago. The Brady Bunch, as they called themselves, cheered their young
coach on as the Gents won 129 of 178 games during Brady's five seasons at Crowley High School.
Now 42, Brady has
landed here, midway
between between Crowley and his
hometown of hometow of McComb,
Miss. His task: Make the
LSU Thgers Miss. His task. Make
LSU TLgers winners
again.
Brady showed Tuesday he's not naive
Dubois enough to believe whole worrd will
embrace him th
Assistant embrace him the way he Sports Editor job. Speaking of basketball coaches he was high school basketball coaches, he was realistic
about his prospects for a honeymoon.
"There will be some who say that I Th'ere will be some who say that I said, "but I do deserve what T've gotten. I have worked hard to get where I am."
Where he is bears little resemblance to where he's been the lastsix years Samford University in Birmingham, win at least 10 games in each of the five seasons prior to Brady's arrival. Not only did Brady's teams there win at least 10 each year, they won 19 games last sea-
son and 16 in each of the previous two Brady said he can't comprehend the advantages of having the type of resources available to him at a univers: ty of LSUU 's size and stature, but he'
ready todive in eady to dive in.
"It's hard to imagine being able to look at the top 75 or 100 players $n$ n the
nation and be able to recrut from that nist," Brady said.
The harsh reality is it may be a while before LSU can convince one of those national bluechip prospects to join the
new Brady Bunch. ew Brady Bunch.
The Tigers, who made Final Four, had a winning season since the 1992-93 season. The program is farther along than when Dale Brown became head plenty of work ahead of him to bring LSU back to national-champlonship contention. And he knows it.
'"Ther's a lot of work to be done, but it will all be made easier because of what said.
Brady said he has a three-part platAm for getting the hard work started Rive yourself fo sance to win) and let your coaching have a positive effect on he team. As for his X X and Os, he said 3 -pointers.
"Why shoot the ball from 17 feet, nine nches and get two points when you can shoot from 19.9 and get 3 "' he sald Tuesday. "Or drive in for the layup,
draw the foul and try to get three that way."
Samford finished in the top five in the 1995 team mpointers in 1995 and 1996 The 1995 team made 10.3 rreys per game, the But Brady said he has no Idea if the about livingupto his plan of team that is good enough to put up such numbers and yet be built around defense, a team hat creates its offensive chances with its defense first philosophy. His Samford here last season.
"My mpression was that they were notave, Brady admitted.
So he'll have to recruit. First, he plans to fill in the gaps with junior college athletes, but by November he plans to thi
exclusively in ierms of high school seniors.
ill want to buld with players I know te here for a while," Brady said. And if A Very Brady Sequel to the Dale Brown era will have any success, its head coach will have to buld a an
base beyond the city lmits of Crowley Time will tell, of course, and John Srady said Tuesday that time is his aly Stay tuned to the story of a man named Brady.

## USL puts five-game winning streak on line against Cowboys

McNeese State's baseball team returns to action at 4 p.m. today against SL in Lafayette.
This will be the first meeting between the two teams since the Lake Area on Feb. 23. The Cowboys will host USL at 7 p.m. on April 9 in the last meeting of
the season between the two teams. The Cowboys ( $10-16-1$ ) are coming off Sunday USL (177) is corence victor

Connecticut's Rickie Moore, left, and teammate jake Voskuhl apply
win Monday over Ole
Miss in Oxford, Miss. USL has won its last five games and eight of its
last nine. Kevin McNeese at junior right-hander, will USL, 4 p.m. start the game on the taNeese briefs mound for the Cowboys. PAGE C3 This will be his first start won-lost record in 12.1 innings
Other probable starters for the


Big Apple tournament

Jeremy Troutman at first, Tyson Switzenberg at second, Shane Heinen at shortstop, Mike Trahan at third and Mark Selway, Lash Chretien and Chris
Schmitz in the outfielder. Either Ben Schmitz in the outfielder. Either Ben
Broussard or Bill Lowry will be the designated hitter.

Schmitz is the team's leading hitter with a .344 mark but Trahan has been the Cowboys' hottest batter recently. Trahan has seven hits in his last 14 at-bats, four of those hits have been dou bles, which he now has 10 . He's batting
.333 . . 333.

Shilz leads the squad with 25 RB s and both he and Trahan have hit thre home runs.
Other Cowboy players with batting averages above 300 are Switzenber 330), Heinen (.311) and Troutman (.302) USL's top hitter is Oswaldo Aguir who is batting .380 with four home run and 31 RBIs.
The Cowboys host Nicholls State in ith a doubleheader and ending Saturday.

## Brady takes LSU to heart

Tigers' new coach enthusiastic about replacing Brown

## best Capligubion

BATON ROUGE - At first, it seemed he might never get around to talkıng
about LSU basketball. Once he did, it was clear it means a lot to him
John Brady talked and talked about the magic of Tiger Stadium, about wha LSU football once meant to him as a was passion in his voice. Had Gerry DiNardo not been in the same LSU conference room Tuesday, one might have guessed the Tigers were naming a new football coach.
But then Brady recalled the first time he saw Pete Maravich play basketbal
"It, uh, really changed my life" Brady, his voice faltering, sald of watching the Pistol back in 1968
Brady's dream changed that day, he
said from wanting to be the next Sandy sald, from wanting to be the next Sandy
Koufax to aspiring to become another Koufax to aspiring to become another Pete Maravich, and that path brought
him back to the source of his inspura him back to the source of his inspra-1997-98 basketball season, Brady will walk into the Pete Maravich Assembly Center as therr head coach.
Brady, 42, signed a five-year contract
Monday with LSU worth $\$ 350,000$ a year
'He's very intent on doing well here. LSU means something to him, and he wants to do well.'

## Rickey Blanton

 SU assistant basketball coach and met the medıa Tuesday, bringing to an end the two-month-old search fo Dale BIn six seasons as head coach at
Samford University Brady had an 89.77 Samford University, Brady had an $89-77$
won-lost record. He is the only Samford coach to post four winning seasons, and his 1996-97 team won the Trans Americ Athletic Conference West Division championship.

Brady, who has been an assistant coach at Mississippr State and UNO, began his coaching career at Crowle
High School, where from 1977-82 he won 75 percent of his games. He said he takes pride in having brought winning to places where there was only losing He'll have to do just that fans at LSU, where the Tigers have had four straight losing seasons to end the 25 -year tenure of Brother Dale. The ma who hired Brady, LSU athletic directo not settling for second-best by hirm Brady only after Rob Evans of Ole Miss turned him down
"He"s the right man for the job," Dean sald true.
Brady said he called Dean and told
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Forest Brook do

Southrwest Lonisiana teams had a hard time keeping up with the Houston school.

BYRONBROCATO
taff writer
In the metropolis of Houston, Forest Brook High School's boys track program is about average.
But aganst Southwest Louisiana competition in the 47th annual Gulf top cats

Bucs beat Tors in 3-5A opener


SULPHUR - This was supposed be the year to get back at Barbe High School's baseball team at Barbe High Bucs lost elght starters from a district championship team, including two draft picks in the June draft.
Instead, Barbe appears to be as strong
The Bucs won their 16th straight game Tuesday, a 7-6 victory over Sulphur in the District 3 3ar
both teams at McMurry Park.
Barbe scored the winning when in
the sixth when Marty Guillory singled,
was balked to second and moved to thir and home on consecutive wild pitches by losing pitcher Ted Tolbert.
That was good enough to give the Bucs the win in a game that included
four lead changes four lead changes
"We've had about seven games this year where we've fallen behind but came back and won," Barbe coach Glen Cecchini said. "These kids have really had something to prove this year. We go outs every day. These kids have bee

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Forest Brook scored 106 points to defeat a field of 11 on the WashingtonMarion track. The Jags won two open events and two relays even though the
did not finish first in any field event

Led by the outstanding track per
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former Terrence Boatwright, the former Terrence Boatwright, the
Houston school won the $4 \times 100$ and $4 \times 200$ meter relays Boatwright also won the 400 -meter dash and relay teammate James Caldwell led a 1-2 Jag finısh in the 200 -meter dash
Another Forest Brook athlete, Adrian Mayes, was named the outstanding field competitor. Mayes did not win an event,
but finished second in the high jump and fourth in the triple jump to add 12
points to his team's totals. No other field competitor scored more than 10 point as each of the seven events went to dff erent athletes.
Barbe placed a strong second with 75 points, behind David Leigh's double in Jason Turner added a victory in the pole vault and David Lundy gave the Bucs 10 points by winning the 1,600 .
The biggest surprise of the meet came in the 100 -meter dash when Leesville's Veron Lee recorded the fastest time of This came after Washine third heat See RELAYS, Page C5


Barbe's Marty Guillory sides sacely into second with a stolen base as Sulphur's Phil George loses control of the ball.



## New cast sends Tar Heels to Final Four

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) -
North Carolina was expected to
get to the Final Four in 1997.
Only the Tar Heels were sup.
posed to do it with guys named
Jerry Stackhouse, Rasheed
Wallace and Jeff McInnis, not a
trio of sophomore starters and a
freshman point guard.
But with the NBA draft gut-
ting the team the last two sea-
sons, the Tar Heels head to
Indianapolis this week with one
of the programs youngest Final
Four teams.
Stackhouse, Wallace and
McInnis would have all been
seniors on this 1997 team had
they stayed in school four years.
However, Stackhouse and
Wallace left for the pros after just
two seasons and McInnis bolted
last year, forcing underclassmen
such as Antawn Jamison, Vince
Carter and Ed Cota into promi-
nent roles.
The growing pains for the Tar
Heels (28-6) began to show in
early January, with criticism
abounding across campus,
around town and throughout the
Atlantic Coast Conference.
North Carolina was off to a
program-worst $0-3$ league start.
In the next game, at home
against North Carolina State, the
Tar Heels trailed by nine points
with 2:23 left before rallying for a
three-point win.
"Alitle confidence came from
that game because we played like
we had the world on our shoul-
ders," coach Dean Smith said
Tuesday. "We played like we had
to win it and you should neve have to be in that situation.
"How would you like to kee hearing, 'Well, if they only heed heackhouse and Wallace and McInnis or this could be th worst Carolina team in so many
years. I tried so hard to get it years.' I tried so hard to get it across that this is this year' team, this is whom we have on
the team and we can do the best we can - that is all that is expected.
I know that sounds trite, but we (the coaching staff) weren' worried about finishing in the top three (in the ACC). I actually
brought that up (with the play brought that up (with the play
ers). I told them I would b thrilled to finish sixth and make the NCAA tournament. And that
was the truth at that tume."

## Kentucky's season has been wild one

 Kentuckians have a penchant forgiving nic favorite University of Kentucky basketball team
It started in 1948 with the
Fabulous Five Along Fabulous Five Along came the
Fiddlin' Five in 1958. Rupp's Fiddlin' Five in 1958. Rupp's
Runts captured their hearts in Runts captured their hearts in emerged in 1992. And then the
Untouchables from last year's Untouchables from last year'
national champronship team. national championship team.

And this season?
"Somebody gave me this nickname, I think it's more the Unbelievables because I don't
think I quite belıeve it," saıd think I quite belıeve it," sald
Kentucky coach Rick Pitıno, who picked up the label from a

## MCNEESE BRIEFS:


#### Abstract

Wit does seem unlukely that the play Minnesota in the semifinals Saturday night in ndianapolis, would be in posito Four players from last year's team that finushed $34-2$ are playthat team was redshirted and nother transferred And midway through the season, leading corer Derek Anderson went Buth a knee injury. But Kentucky (34-4) is two games away from becoming only he second team since UCLA in 1973 to pion "'Th "This team has played a top five schedule, and being young, I think they've accomplished more than any basketball team


in the bottom of the inning on an DBI single by Karre Rider. Drewry singled again in the
fifth and scored on a single by Lindsay Robinson, giving McNeese a $2-1$ lead. But
Mississipp1 State tied it swxth on Almee Juedemann's RBI single
Angela Yntanta (9-7) absorbed the loss on the mound despite
allowing just three hits She allowing just thin
struck out five

## Wallace named alternate

 for slam-dunk contest Wallace is the first alternate for this week's National Basketball Coaches Associaton slam-dunk contest in IncianapolisI've coached," sard Pitino, who has his third team in five years
in the Final Four. "The only one that would rival this team is Providence" in 1987.
Even the players are sur prised by how they progressed during the season
'We've come through it all and we re in a position now that
nobody thought we would be in especially when Derek went down," sald guard Cameron Mills. "If we can pull off two more victorles, then I would defi-
nitely agree with that nitely
'I think when Derek went down everybody started doubting us," sald Allen Edwards. "It's ple didn't think we could do it

Friday in Market Square Aren and will be televised tape-delay that night by ESPN. It features top seniors in slam dunk competition
McNeese assistant coach Paul Kelly sald that Wallace was
informed of his selection earler this week.
"We thunk that he will be plcked to be one of those in the
contest and we should find out contest and we should find out something definite by ward The 6-foot-6 Wallace, a native
of Brooklyn, N Y , was one of the top shot blockers in the
Southland Conference this pas season He had a total of 65 blocks in his McNeese career

Smith revill
honor contract
CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP)-Dean Smith has a Carolina's basketball team through 2001, and he said Tuesday he plans to honor Tues

Smith, who became the game's all-time winningest coach two weekends ago in Winston-Salemament in when one reporter asked him to comment on speculation that he would retire
if the Tar Heels win the if the Tar Heels w
title in Indianapolis.
"If you win something will you quit?" Smith joked like what you're doing, would you quit?
omes and I won't make that decision in April, because every April I am probably (tired). So, you
wait to see how excited you are in August. For 36 years I guess I've been excited in August and September. If that ever changed up until 2001 then I
that decision
Smith, 66, then threw in a political barb.
"'They didn't asked Reagan - How old was he?
if he was going to retire after the first term," Smith

LSU blasts La. Tech
RUSTON (AP) - Brandon Larson went 3 -for-4 with thre homers, three runs scored and nctory Tuesday night ove Louisiana Tech.
LSU (24-2) cranked out 15 hits which was delayed 49 minutes because of rain at one point. Eddy Furmiss collected three hits with three runs scored and an RBI
Tech (12-12) scored its only un in the third innmg
LSU took a $2-0$ lead in the sec nd and was never threatene getting another run in the third ne in the fourth, four in the three in the minth

LSU: Brady enthusiastic about turning program around

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him he wanted the job right after Brown
retire.
"I knew some things would
have to happen for me to be a
serious candidate," Brady said "But I wanted him to know how bady I wanted this job Brady's enthusiasm for the
job seemed to have already made an impression here
well here, as you can see," sald
LSU assistant coach Ricky
Blanton, who as a sophomore Blanton, who as a sophomor
player in 1986 helped the Tiger player the Fimal Four for the second time under Brown "LSU
means something to him, and he means something
Blanton and the rest of the
assistant coaches wll watt to see how Brady builds his staft LSU Brady to be his assistant coach at
ing
Brady said his coaching philosophy is about relationships among players.
the communty
"If a coach can understand the bulding and nurturing of rela-
honships with his players, Brady said, "then he has chance for success"

Although he doesn't expect
ing, Brady said he thinks the and whespect where he came from and what he did while in the runner-up finısh helped Brady to be named the Class 3A Coach of the Year

Brady's salary mcludes $\$ 100,000$ per year in base pay fees and $\$ 150,000$ in other guaran

## Southeastern Louisiana wins Moe O'Brien

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| biggest move of the day, shooting | in 1965 and then tied by now |  | 73 | Schillug, | 79.8 79 |
| a 3-over-par 291 as a team, led by | PGA touring pro John Mahaffey, |  | 72.79 | ari: | 797 |
| Robby Going who had the day's | Houston in 1969. |  |  | Howell, Lamar Stunson, Loussana |  |
| top round with a 3 -under-par 69. | Sherman finished second with |  | 21 |  |  |
| Going finıshed tied at 220 and tie | a 214 after a 2 -under-pa |  |  |  |  |
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## Indians, Braves make four-player, blockbuster trade



## Bob Hamelin, who hit 2 ome runs in 1994 and wa

Former Rookie of the Year released by Kansas City home runs in 1994 and wa
Hamelin, 29, never regained Hamelin, 29, never regained interrupted his rookie season He knew coming into camp his ere numbered - probably were set at designated hitte other position, first base, was
held by Joe Vitrello and Jeff King.
Wednesday afternoon is the on waivers and not be respons1 releasing Hamelin now, the Royals must pay him $\$ 174,000$
instead of the full $\$ 700,000$ he gned for this season. morioles: Jeff Reboulet will start
at second base for altumore on poen-
ing day in place of the suspended ing day in place of the suspended
Alomar, manager Davey Johnson Alomar will begin the season serv.
ing five-ame suspension for spitting
umpire John Hirschbeck last September.
Reboulet, signed as a free agent durIng the offseason, came to the Orioles
after spending the last fuur seasos
with the Minnesota Twins He's hitting with the Minnesota
326 this spring
 get my chance," Reboulet sadd "I can't
be Roberot Im Just gong ob be feffy"
Reboulet and go out there and play" he batter's box aganst live pitching for
he first time since a March II beaning
by Randy Johnson that left him with a by Randy Johnson that left him with a
fractured lefteve socket
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clear pant wearing otherwiste hhowngn no signn of the
nhury, had four hits in il at-bats against Triple-A pitcher Doug
Vanderweele in a simulated game at the
(eam's minor league camp in "I wasn't really concerned abour huts
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"Inything like that," Snow said "I just
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wate walking on cruche
nd wearing a cast that ran from under

## BRIEFS

lowa State's Floyd on Tennessee's list Owa State's Tim Floyd emerge Tuesday as the latest reported target of Tennessee's affections as other candidates to lead the Volunteers found new commioyers.
Tennessee athletic director Doug Dickey secured permissio rom the Cyclones to talk to Floyd, and was expected to
University of Ternes
University of Teinessee Tuesday in Noshville said was heading north on a recruiting trip, but wouldn't say where.
Meanwhile, Kevin Stallings, 36, of Illinois State and outhwest Missouri State's Stev Alford, 32, reportedly were still at a second interview Tuesday or Wednesday. Alford had a second interview Sunday.
Floyd, 43 , has nine years left n a 10-year contract at lowa State, where he is $69-29$ in three years. His Cyclones lost to rétonal semifinals on Thurs
million, had talked this spring
about trading Justice - whose
home run beat Cleveland 1.0 in home run beat Cleveland 1.0 in
the clinching Game 6 of the 1995 World Series Game 6 of the 1995 it an even larger deal by including another All-Star outfielder, Grissom.
It was an old-fashioned, super-star-for-superstar deal predicated by the economics of modern sports, saving the Braves $\$ 7.7$
million.
"It's painful in the respect that I think baseball in the ' 90 s is extremely apparent in this teams, not just the Indians."
The NL champion Braves traded the high-priced Justice so Greg Maddux to re-sign pitchers both free age and Tom Glavine, season. Justice, who missed nearly all of last season with a

shoulder injury, will make $\$ 12.5$ million in the next two seasons. The AL Central champion Indians could have lost Lofton Gloves ond four straight Gold stolen base titles, to at the end of the season.
"We had to make this trade based on the fact that Kenny "f the 1997 season," Hart said. "We went through it last year with Albert Belle, and Albert left us. We were not p
that happen again.


Lofton and Grissom are egarded as the two best center baseball. Both are 29, and both are coming off outstanding sons.
Lofton batted .317 last yea setting career highs with 210
hits, 14 homers, 67 RBIs and 75 stolen bases. "I can't really think too well
right now," Lofton said. "Maybe I can say I'm disappointed. I've done everything they've aske me to do in Cleveland, and

Minnesota's Kevin Garnett dunks th
Clyde Drexler and Othella Harrington.

guess they rewarde
Ing me to Atanta. Indians catcher Sandy Alomar both had tears in their eyes as they talked with reporters. "My son loves this guy," said
an emotional Alomar, one of the few mainstays left from Cleveland's 1995 AL champion team. "I know when I tell him Kenny Lofton was traded, he'll
cry." Grissom, a native of Atlanta who was acquired from Montreal in a trade before the 1995 season, RBIs and 28 stolen bases. His onbase percentage was .349 , comJustice 30 hadhis
Justice, 30 , had his best season in 1993 with 40 homers and 120 RBIs, but missed most of the '96
season after dislocating a shoulder May 15. He had surgery and

Muster reaches quarterfinals of Lipton Championships

## Cavs held to record low in loss to San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO - The Spurs and Cavaliers almost played the
lowest-scormg game in NBA history Tuesday night, but there were six foul shots made in the
final 20.3 seconds and San final 20.3 seconds and sa
Antonto beat Cleveland 64.59 . Antonıo beat Cleveland 64-59.
The combined total of 123 The combined total of 123
points tied the second-lowest points tied the second-lowest
mark in league history since the mark in league history since
inception of the shot clock.
The record-low of 119 points, set by boston and Mlwaukee in
1955, was thed with 20.3 remaining when Terrell Brandon made two foul shots. It was eclipsed
with 18.9 seconds left when Cory with 18.9 seconds left when Cor
Alexander made two foul sho
to put the Spurs ahead $62-59$. Rockets ................ 112 HOUSTON - Hakeem Olajuwon scored $\overline{39}$ ponts, hitting all 13 of his free throws, and
Houston survived the loss of Houston survived the loss of Clyde
ankle
Drexler, who has missed 19 games due to injury this season, the third quarter and did not Bulls Mavericks ................ 94
CHIC
92 CHICAGO - With Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen rest-
ing on the bench, Steve Kerr
sparked a fourth-quarter come back and Chicago edged Dallas for 1ts 60th victory
$\qquad$ late in the thrrd quarter and by instead of turning to Pippen and Jordan, the Bulls went to their bench and Kerr's shooting led Chicago on a $15-2$ run to start the Pacers
$\qquad$ TORONTO - Rik Smits had Reggie Mll 12 rebounds and help Indian scored 24 points to road losing streak.
Mark Jackson had a tripledouble, hitting the second of two
foul shots with 3.5 seconds to play to give him 10 points to go
along with 11 rebounds and 12 assists.
Magic
Kings $\qquad$ Hardaway scored 30 points and Orlando beat Sacramento for its eightn victory in nine games Hawks ................... 96 ATLANTA - Steve Smith Mutombo added 24 points and 12 rebounds as Attanta extended
winning streak to five games

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla (AP)Kokes that when he visits Florida, his favorite surface is sand
The Lipton Championshıps are played on hardcourts, but Muster turned the four Tuesday beating Alex Corretaa 6-4, 6-4.

## 虚ENMISROUNDUR

Muster's opponent in the quarterfinals will be Swede by beating Australian Mark Phllppoussis $6-3,6-4$
Top-ranked Pete Sampras
who could meet Muster in

Sunday's final, blitzed Mag Larsson of Sweden $6-2,6-0$ Sampras, 20-1 this year, has lost just 13 games in his three matches at Lipton. His quarterfinal opponent will be Hendrik Dreekmann of Germany.
Jim Courier, seeking his
iggest tournament title since

1993, beat Wimbledon champion Richard Krajicek $7-6$ (8-6), $6-4$.
Courier will next face No. 4 Goran Ivanisevic, who beat 19-year-old Dominik Hrbaty of Slovakıa 6-4, 6-4.
Spaniard Sergi Bruguera and Andres Medvedev of the Ukraine also advanced and will meet in the quarterfinals.
disclose terms.
Colorado agrees to extension with Patton BOULDER, Colo. (AP)Colorado to its first NCAA tournament appearance in 28 years, is staying in the job, wit


Patton agreed
to a deal worth at to a deal worth
least $\$ 325,000$, least $\$ 325,000$, director Dick Tharp said Tuesday. The package includes
a base salary of 1 as revenue from the school's contract with Nike radio and television, and
Patton, 38, took over a
Colorado head coach midway through the 1995-9 season, and this year led the Buffs (22-10) history and a ninth seed in the NCAA tournament.
McCarthy offered big
salary to stay at UTC - Coach Mack McCaythy hasn't
yet accepted an offer that's more than double his current salary package to stay at the University
McCarthy is also talking with Tennessee and Memphis about head coaching vacancles. His contra
1998.

McCarthy is the winningest basketball coach in UTC history and is tied for the most wins in
the Southern Conference. His overall record is $243-122$ in 12

Vegas Bowl to have new teams, larger payout LAS VEGAS (AP) - The Las Vegas Bowl would drop its current conference alignments and increase payouts to $\$ 800,000$ a team, under a proposal to
revamp a gume that never caught on with local fans.
The NCAA will be asked next month to approve the new bowl concept, which would match the third place Western Athletic Conference team against the best ailable opponent.
The game would be moved
om a Thursday night to a from a Thursday night to a
Saturday afternoon, and the guarantee for each team would
be boosted from $\$ 150,000$ to Norman will play in Freeport-McDermott Norman has made a
commitment to play in the reeport-McDermott Classic, April 3-6, at English Turn Golf nd Country Club.
It wll be his first appearance New Orleans since 1993, when behind winner Mike Standly
Marinovich arrested,
jailed overnight Dailed overnight
DANA POINT, Calif. (AP)
Former Los Angeles Raiders Sormer Los Angeles Raiders and Todd Marinovich has found ouble again.
Marinovich spent Monday night in jail after deputies found paraphernalia in his home, authorities said Tuesday.
Orange County sheriffs Lt Keith Brown said Marmovich, fi, was arrested for investigation of cultivation of marijuana and
Brown said Marinovid Brown said Marinovich was lieu of $\$ 1,000$ bail. Orange County
sheriff's Lt Ron Wilkerson said
Marmovich was released on bail Tuesday.

## Schaller wins opening

 round of Hassan Open CASABLANCA, Morocco (AP) Gibert Schaller of Austria tourmament, battled to a first Tamer Al Away of Eygt in the King Hassan II Open. The fourt seeded Schaller won 7 -6 (7-2), 6-3 Packers terminate Rison's contract GREEN BAY, WIS. (AP) Wcored the first touchdown of the Super Bowl on a pass from Brett Favre, had his contract terminated by the Green BayPackers on Tuesday. Rison, an elght-year NFL from Jack claimed on waivers and played in five regular-season games for Green Bay, catching 13 passes for 135 yards and one ouchdown. His career bests include 93
catches in the 1992 season, and 1,242 yards receiving and 15 1,242 yards receiving and 15
touchdowns, both in 1993.,

## Eunice, Notre Dame claim Tiger Relays titles

Bobcats edge Kinder Lady Pios dominate

LAKE ARTHUR - Eunic High School's boys and Notre Dame's girls won their respechere Tuesday.
The Bobcats won by sweeping the three relays. They outscored
second place Kinder, 99-89. Third place Elton had 79 points. Notre Dame's girls, behind
Lana Link double in the 800 and 1,600-meter runs, scored 100 place Eunice. Link was named the outstanding track participan in the girls competition.
Michelle Gordon of fourth place Jennings, won the honor in put and javelin competitions and
finished second in the discus. Teammate Alisa Matthews was to finish second to Gordon for the
to top field honor.
$\qquad$
he discus throw and 100 -meter dash.
Lake Arthur's Brandon Brown and Elton's Arthur
Goodly duplicated their outtanding awards of last week's standing awards of last week's
meet at Basile when they were
named the best track and field participant, respectively Brown had a triple in the 800 , 1,600 and 3.200 -meter runs, while Goodly won the high and triple jumps and finished third in the long jump.
Another double winner was Kinder's Shaft Thomas, who ran the 200.

BUCS: Edge rival Golden Tors for 16th straight victory
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fun to work with."
But even Cecchini said
Tuesday's game was no fun to
watch at times. The two teams
combined for six errors, three
balks, 10 wild pitches and two
passed balls.
But it was the wildness of
Tolbert, who went the distance
on the mound, which made the
difference.
Tolbert threw seven wild
pitches in a three-inning span
from the fourth to sixth innings.
The Bucs scored four runs in
that stretch. Each of those run-
ners either reached base on a
wild pitch or advanced on the giving up one hit bases at least once on the pitch. his pitches in the dirt were adequately blocked by a pair of Sulphur catchers.
"We didn't do the things we needed to do to win," Sulphur coach Mike Abshire said. "Every time we got on the board, it
seemed like we had to let Barbe on the board too."

Jared Gothreaux (3-0) earned Jared Gothreaux (3-0) earned
the win in relief of starter Nick Bourgeois, who left the game with tenderness in his arm. Gothreaux gave up one run in 3
$2 / 3$ innings, striking out four and
ving up one hit. "Gothreaux came in and did a great job," Cecchini said. "Here's sity last year and now it's like I have three number ones (pitchs) with him

The junior right-hander was at his strongest in the seventh
inning when he struck out two inning when he struck out two
Sulphur batters while facing the heart of the Tors' lineup.
"Even with all we didn't d felt pretty good going into the seventh with the batters we had Gothreup, Abshre said. "But Guillory went 2 -for- 3 with a
first inning solo home run. Neil Simoneaux also homered in
first as Barbe built a $2-0$ lead.

Sulphur got three straight hits by Phil George, Jason Littleton and Blayne Wyninger to take a 3 2 lead in the bottom of the first. But Barbe tied it at 3.3 on Gabe Scott's RBI double in the third then went up

Sulphur tied it at $5-5$, chasung Simoneaux in the bottom of the fourth, but Barbe took the lead for good with a run on two errors inning, then Guillory's run in the sixth.


## NIT ROUNDUP

## Michigan, Florida St: reach finals of NIT

$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { BY THE ASSOCiATED PRESS } & \text { NCAA field. } \\ \text { Florida State (20-11) earned }\end{array}\right]$

RELAYS: Forest Brooks wins
 Boston won handlly, scoring 145
points. Barbe finished second with 107 points and DeRidder was third with 64 points
Mia Mouton scored 26 points
in strength events, winning the in strength events, winning the shot put and discus throw and
finishing thrd in the javelin.
But the best individual effort
Marks, who won the Javelin
throw and triple jump, fimished
second in the discus and thrid in the shot put to score 34 points hrew the discus father than the velin, an unusual occurance.

## ALLDISTRICTESABASKETBALLTEAM



MOST VALUABLE PLAYER - (LSWA) Sarah RIchey, Carencro
COACH OF THE YEAR - Rhonda Bartig, Carencro
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## \section*{Baseball} <br>   cin     <br> Basketball <br> school senior, who haven' signed for high schog School <br>   Davey Patrick, (318) 9266.3096 HRE-ON-THRE TOUNAMENT 



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local team open to youths age $s$ and older,
 under practice from $330 \mathrm{p} \mathrm{m} t 045 \mathrm{p}$.m.
dally at Our Lady Queen of Heaven family LIfe Center. 13 older practice at McNeese
State Rec Complex pool fom 630 p.m to
8.30 8.30 pm daly, with thouts held from
630 to 730 each night Contact Coach PJ.
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## BUSINESS:

## Strike deadline extended in pilot dispute

American Airlines and its pilots union agreed Tuesday to extend a striké deadline until at least 30 days after the union's board or its membership rejects's' an agreement in principle. Ams travelers sal the decision. there will be no strike during April and ${ }^{\circ}$ possibly into May.

hope we can put this contract dispute behind us and provide:
this assurance indefinitely," sald American President Donald Carty Association of the Allied pilots comment Tuesday night
The $9,300-$ member union had:
previously agreed not to strike - and previously agreed not to strike - and
the aurlme agreed not to lock out the plots-before April 28.
Now, both sides have decided not to
start a 30-day cooling-off period untrl start a 30-day coolng-off period untul reject a proposed deal, the Fort
based carrier said in a statement
The APA board is scheduled to meet meetings in Washıngton last Saturday by delaying a vote on a proposed contract in which officials said key. details had wen A sticking point in the protracted
labor dispute has been who would fly American's commuter arm
their jobs could be threatened when the airlne upgrades the aircraft used by
American Eagle, whose pilots are American Eagle, whose pllots are
represented by another union, the Air

## PacTel: Internet

 calls could cost it $\$ 500$ millionInternet traffic in California ballooning to 30 percent of all residential phone
calls, Pacific Bell says it will lose half a bilhon dollars over the nexrent federal rate formulas To persuade the Federal Commur cations Commission to scrap what it
calls artificially low rates for data calls, PacTel presented the agency with one of the most extensive studies of dial-up
Internet usage. The report, made public Internet usage. The report, made public
Tuesday, contends the results portray a likely image of what the rest of the country will face in years to come
Thus far, the FCC hasn't bought the phone company's argument. Internet
access providers are linng up to speats out agamst it, saying federal decision尹ं
have always found that they are not carriers and shouldn't pay the same rates
raised rates is an companies, the call fors make them pay in advance for attempt to, the telephone companies need to do In Californaa, where the number of onlme users is 33 percent higher than: estimated 23 million telephone year 2001, that figure is expected to the year 2001, that figure is expected to grow
to 4.7 millon, accordmg to PacTel, a unit of Pacific Telesis Group.
Currently, volce call users spend anaverage of 23 minutes a day on the
phone, while Internet users spend an average of 45 minutes online. By 2001, ,
over half of PacBell's traffic could b $\theta$. over half of PacBell's traffic could be,
Internet calls, said Steven Hubbard, head of wireless and Internet strategy for Pacffic Telesis.

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| Sabine, Orange [4] | n/a | n/a |
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San Francisco



Beauregard Police Jury employee to receive only five hours of back pay, jurors decide


## Boning a leg of lamb


somen onem porires, it seems have not kept pace with current
trends trends in the
meat business meat business.
Or, perhaps cookbook writers Cooking make it a point, Around the porary times, to Country seek out an oldMerle butcher when Ellis they buy their the case, the instructions given in many meat. recipes make me laugh.
For example:
Turkey Galantine: "...have your butcher bone out one 13 -
pound turkey.., Crown Roa
Crown Roast of Lamb: "...ask your butcher to form a crow Grilled boneless leg of lamb: "...have the butcher butterfly the meat..."
Be serious! It is obvious that the people who are telling us to have your butcher..." or "ask your butcher..." have not rung American meat markets lately.
I have rung the bell for "se vice" in more than one market in recent months only to be told, "I'm sorry sir, there is no butcher on duty. All of our meat is cut and wrapped at our main store. Even if there was one on duty,
the likelihood of a butcher beng able to do what your cookbook ells you he or she can is somewhat remote. It is entirely possible for people to go through the raining program that qualifies meat counter of a modern American supermarket without ever having seen a side of beef or carcass of lamb.
They're there to keep the meat case full, not to provide they call them "self-service" they call th
meat cases?
There are still markets around with the kind of butchers that cookbooks speak of and if you know one cherish him he's ne of a vanishing breed. The time seems to be rapidly urkey boned for galantine a les ot lamb "butterflied" for the grill or any of those things done for you, you're just going to have to you go on a binge. I mean Your Own Butcher.
To help prepare you for that seemingly inevitable fate, I wll, in this column from time to ime, attempt to teach you some basic butchering skills. It beats discarding all of those cook

Since spring is upon us and lots of you are likely to be fixing
more than the usual allotment of lamb, let's start with how to bone a leg of lamb. It's really a simple skill to master and one that can lead to lots of good eatue grill, rolled leg on the rotisserie, leg of lamb stuffed with all manner of things
The best leg of lamb to work with, and the one you're likely to find in most markets, is the "three-quarter leg." It's a "full tion removed and, with it, most of the complicated hip bone, making the boning process much easier.
If your market has only "full legs" and if there is still a butcher behind the bell, ask that three or four chops be cut from an additional meal. If you'd like illustrated instructions along with six of Neva's recipes, send a selfaddressed stamped envelope to " 6 for 2 ," P.O. Box 907, Tiburon, Calif., 94920.


Heat oven to $400^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. In meduum bowl, mix flour, $1 / 2$ cup margarine, nuts and powdered sugar with fork untll crumbly. Press firmly and evenly against bottom
and side of 9 -inch tart pan or pie plate. Prick bottom of crust with fork. Bake 10 minutes.
In large mixing bowl, beat eggs, granulated sugar and lime peel with electric
mixer on medium speed 1 minute. Add $1 / 3$ cup margarine and lime juice: beat 1 miner on medium speed 1 minute. Add $1 / 3$ cup margarine and lime juice; beat Cool completely. Garnish with whipped topping and, if desired, lime slices and additional macadamia nuts

## TWO"CHEESE AND SPINACH TWIST

Makes 1 twist
Do not make doughs larger than recommended by manut.acturer

|  | 1-POUND RECIPE <br> (10 slices) | $\begin{aligned} & 11 / 2 \text { POUND RECIPE } \\ & \text { (14 slices) } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Milk | 1/2 cup | 2/3 cup |
| Water ( 70 to $80^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ ) | 1/3 cup | 1/2 cup |
| Large eggs, divided |  |  |
| Salt | 1 teaspoon | $11 / 2$ teaspoons |
| Flour | $21 / 2$ cups | $31 / 2$ cups |
| Sugar | 1 tablespoon | 4 teaspoons |
| Bread machıne yeast | $11 / 2$ teaspoons | 2 teaspoons |
| Finely shredded sharp |  |  |
| Cheddar cheese | 2/3 cup | 1 cup |
| Finely chopped fresh spinach leaves (patted dry and packed lightly) | 1/2 cup | 2/3 cup |
| Freshly grated Parmesan cheese | 1/4 cup | 1/3 cup |

Measure mulk, water, 1 egg, salt, flour, sugar and yeast into bread machine pan in the order suggested by manufacturer. Process on dough/manual cycle
When cycle is complete, remove dough to floured surface. Cover; let rest 10 minutes. If necessary, knead in enough flour to make dough easy to handle. Divide dough in half. Knead cheddar creaning half (Spinach dough may be slightly sticky and need additional flour) Roll each to 15 -inch rope Arrange ropes side by side, twist together. Pinch ends to join. Place on greased large baking sheet. Cover; let rise in warm, draftfree place untl doubled in size, about 30 to 45 minutes.
Heat oven to $375^{\circ}$. Lightly beat remaining egg, brush on top of dough. Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until done. Remove from pan; cool on wire rack Leftover bread should be stored, wrapped arrtight, in refrigerator or freezer

## Eastre uncoue <br> Keep fresh flavors playing in encore appearances with

 new taste with Cheddar cheese, ham and broccoli baked right into a traditional French bread.

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Two-Cheese and Spinach Twist and the Ham and Cheddar-Stuffed French Sread recipes prepared in the
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Fleischmann's Yeast Baker's Help Line at 1-800-777-4959 (weekdays, 10 a.m. 108 p.m. ST, available to lend
len assistance with all of your yeast bread questions.
 cooked asparagus, when comparison are made on the basis of about Very inttle of the vitamins A and C is lost is the canning process.
Beets: Although $1_{2}$ cup fresh beets can theoretically provide
about 20 percent of the RDI for vit $\operatorname{amin} C$, this vegetable is generally not available fresh. Its contribution to nutrient intake is probably much less than its contribution to Carrots: Everyone lorows. Carrots: Everyone knows that carrots are likely to provide at least 100 percent of the RDI. The Ul study found a wide range of nutrient content on labels of
canned carrots, but the USDA canned carrots, but the USDA
study reported higher levels of vit amin A in canned carrots than for cooked fresh or frozen products.
Sweet Corn: Sweet corn is a favorite vegetable that provides only small amounts of vitamin C and hittle vitamin A USDA data bank values are sumular to nutri-
tion labels. One of the nutrients sweet corn supplies is niacin, which is not even on the label.
Green Beans: Green beans
also provide only a small amount also provide only a small amoun of vitamins $C$ and $A$ per serving provided by canned green beans
is comparable to fresh-cooked
Potatoes: The Ul study showed that potatoses supply vitamin C in reasonable quantities, whether
fresh, frozen or canned. About 20 fresh, frozen or canned. About 20
to 25 percent of the RDI is provided to 25 percent of the RDI is provided
by a serving of canned vegetables Pumpkin: Pumpkin is an excellent source of vitamin A (as carotene), supplying over 160
percent of the RDI even in pumpkin pie filling. Canned pumpkin appears to have much more vita $\min _{\text {kin }}$ A eties used for canning.
Spinach: A nutrient-dense vegetable, fresh, frozen or
canned spinach provides at least 50 percent of the RDI for vitamin A, plus it is a good source
$\min \mathrm{C}$, iron and calcium.
Tomatoes: Not much differ ence was found in the vitamin A content, the vitamin C content is toes. Like most canned vegetables, no-salt added product is available for sodium conscious persons. The information for the above
ummaries is included in summaries is included in of Fresh. Frozen and Canned Products, The University of Ilinois Department of Food Science and



## Stuffed cabbage recipe undergoes renaissance

Stuffed cabbage entrees, while
seldom thought of as seldom thought of as company
food, deserve a reappraisal. In food, deserve a reappraisal. In
Sweet-Sour Napa Cabbage Rolls, Asian ingredients are used to create a savory entree that's elegant enough to serve company yet easy enough to fix for a wee ight family dinner.
This version of stuffed cabbage features a filling of ground turkey seasoned with onion, ginsauce. Then, instead of green cabbage, napa or Chinese cabbage leaves are used. With its sweet, mild taste and broad leaves, this
variety of cabbage saves time variety of cabbage saves time boiled before stuffing.
This easily prepared entree efrigerator to table. Once th cabbage rolls are made, they sim ply simmer in a flavorful sauce of bottled sweet and sour sauce augmented with a bit of brown
sugar. Then shortly before serv ing the simmering sauce is thick ened and spooned over the rolls.
Bottled sweet and sour sauce is a tasty short-cut ingredient. A blend of sugar, vinegar, natural y brewed soy sauce, tomato paste, pineapple, onion, green pepper, it has a spirited flavor that works extremely well with ther ingredients to produce a novative and savory entree.
For a wonderful flavor coun.
erpoint, serve a side-dish of pasta primavera with these rich-
Sweet-Sour Napa Cabbage Rolls 2 cup botled sweet and sour sauce
2 tablesteons brown sugar, packed 1 pound ground curkey
i, cup soft bread crumbs (I slice) $1 / 2$ cup soft bread crumbs (I slice)
$1 / 2$ cup finely chopped onion 2 cup finely chopped onion soy sauce
1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger root 2-14 Chinese or napa cabbage
leaves (I medium head), washed leaves (I medum head)

Blend sweet and sour sauce and brown sugar in large skillet with cover; set aside. Thoroughly combine turkey, bread crumbs, onion, imately '/ cup turkey mixture on each cabbage leaf, fold in sides. Roll up each leaf to enclose turkey mixture. Arrange cabbage rolls, seam side down, in sungle laye
Cover and bring to boil. Reduce heat; simmer 10 minutes. Uncover, spoon sauce over cabbage rolls.
Cover and simmer 8 minutes onger. Meanwhile, dissolve cornstarch in 1 tablespoon water; stir
into sauce. Cook and stir until sauce boils and thickens, about 1 minute. Serve cabbage rolls with sauce. Makes 4 servings.
Each serving: 253 calories, 9 g 25 g carb., 48 g protern . 798 mg sodium, 25 g carb., 18 g protem.

## Ivana Trump brings glamour to canned foods


#### Abstract

BY CAROL DEEGAN NEW YORK (AP) - Ivana Trump looked gorgeous, dresse a dark, wo-piece suit Her ear blonde hair was upswept in an stylish colffure. The former Mrs. Donald Trump dazzled photographers with her mile and charm as she posed with Club" dessert from New York' posh Le Cirque restaurant. The dessert was a chocolate spring cake decorated with a tured torso, made with white and dark chocolate, was surrounded by ake $\$ 50$ bills and had a sign saying "Don't get inad, get everything," vana's line from the 1996 hit film What better way to make canned foods fashionable than to hre ivana and former supermodel Carol Alt and stage a mock fashion show at the able Fashion Cafe? Ms Alt catwalked down a run way holding a platter of Spicy Black-Eyed Pea and Jıcama Salad The recipe was delicious, but it wasn't hers It was from cookbook wasn't hers It was from cookbook chefs and cookbook authors also vamped down the runway, holdmg various dishes they had created. "We want to ralse the mage of canned foods to the same pedestal as fresh or frozen foods," said Robert Fatzinger of the American Iron and Steel Institute in Washington, D.C The event was designed to convey that idea that "if it's OK for a celebrity, it's OK for me," he sald Both Ivana and Ms Alt looked beautuful, both were incredibly polished and both were dressed in black, their short skirts show- ing off their gorgeous gams. Both ing off their gorgeous gams. Both Dishes created by several well-known chefs and cookbook authors using canned foods included Apricot and Almond included Apricot and Almond Tart (pastry chef Nick Malgierı of New York), Spiced Pumpkın Soup (chef Kenneth Oringer of Boston) and Pasta with Artichokes and Olives (cookbook Artichokes and Olives (coo author Melanie Bernard).

\section*{Spiced Pumpkin Soup} (Chef Kenthor Hotel in Boston) tablespoons canola cup onion, diced leek, sliced, white part only $1 / 2$ teaspoons curry powder 2141 -ounce cans reduced-sodiu 2 14/-ounce cans reduced-sodium chicken broth 129-ounce can pumpkin puree


## Family favorite takes on new flavor

Updated for the '90s, the fol lowing recipe from the California Milk Advisory Board r Macrey Jack and sharp wht Cheddar cheeses These cheese give this familiar family dish an vory color and a flavor not usu-
ally found in traditional recipes

Macaroni \& Cheese pound shell-shaped or penne pas pound shell-shaped or pe
3 cups cold nonfat milk 1\% cups cospoons cornstarch
2 cups ( 8 ounces) grated sharp
2 cups ( 8 ounces) grated sh
white Cheddar cheese $1 \%$ white Cheddar cheese Monterey Jack cheese Nonstick cooking spray 2 tablespoons butter pound mushroom caps, quartered 1 clove garlic, minced 3 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt
teaspoon ground pepper
cup frozen peas, thawed teaspoon green jalapeno pepper
sauce or drops of other pepper
sauce to taste
cup fresh or dry bread crumbs
Preheat oven to 375 degrees $F$
Coat a $3^{\prime}:$ quart bakng dish with Coat a $3^{\prime}$. quart baking d
Fill large pot three-quarters full of water and bring to a boll over high heat. Add pasta shells or
penne, cook until tender. Dram in colander, rinse with cold water, then drain again and set aside.
In a small bowl, combine milk and cornstarch. Whisk until
blended and smooth; set aside. In large bowl, toss grated cheeses
together, set aside. together, set aside.
Coat large saucepan with nonstuck cooking spray and place over
moderate heat. Add butter and moderate heat. Ad butter and, when melted, add mushrooms,
onion and garlc, stir frequently for 5 to 7 minutes, or until soft
Add flour and stre constantly for 1 munute, the mixture will be dry.
Whisk the milk mixture again,
then add to saucepan and whisk until blended. Add salt and pepper and bring to a boll, stirring or whisking frequently. Turn heat to
low; add sherry, peas and pepper
sauce; simmer about 1 minute. Add all but '? cup of combned cheeses
and stre about 30 seconds or until cheese melts. Remove from heat. If pasta has stuck together, toss with hasta has stuck together, toss Spread in prepared baking dish; pour sauce over pasta and mix to combine and coat evenly. Sprinkle with remaining s cup of cheese, then bread crumbs Bake
30 to 35 minutes, or until golden brown on top and sauce is bubbling. Makes 8 servings.
Nutrition facts per serving: 529 cal., 25 g pro., 62 mg chol., 56 g carbo., 543 mg sodium, 3 g fiber, 19 g fat, 488 mg calcum. Calories from fat: 32 percent. Calories
from protein: 18 percent. Calories from protein: 18 percent. Calories Variation: By substituting Variation: By substituting
cheeses, this dish becomes a bit richer and creamier. Use $1^{1 /}$, cups ( 5 ounces) grated Cheddar cheese, $1^{1}$ cups ( 5 ounces) grated Monterey Jack and $1 \%$, cups ( 6
ounces) grated mozzarella ( ounces) grated mozzarella (part-
skim) cheese. Assemble and bake skim) cheese. Assemble and bake
as directed above.

2 tablespo
cup milk
tablespo matter
alt, black pepper and caya
taste
lazed Pumpkin Seeds (recipe forlows), optional
cup heavy cram cup heavy cream, whipped hervil leaves or snipped chives,
for garnish
Heat oil in 3-quart saucepan Heat oil in 3-quart saucepan
over medium heat. Add onion, leek, curry powder and salt to taste,
Cook for 10 minutes, beng careful Cook for 10 minutes, being careful
not to brown Add chicken broth not to brown Add chicken broth and pumpkin puree Brung to a boll, duce heat and simmer 5 minutes Add pumpkn mixture and but er to container of blender, filling up to 4 cup capacity mark, or as manucenter of lid and begin blending at lowest speed. Blend in batches, if necessary. Blend untll smooth
Return to saucepan. Bring just to
boilng over medium-low heat. Mix n milk and brown sugar. Seaso
For glazed pumpkn seeds, coat heet of foil with vegetable cooking spray or buitter. Heat $1 / 2$ cup pumpm seem, 3 tablespons water and skullet. Bring to boiling and cook, stirring occasionally, until liquid is thoroughly absorbed and seeds begin to brown, being careful not to ing, hot seeds may pop out of pan) ing, hot seeds may pop out of pan.)
Transfer to foll in single layer, cool. To serve, ladle soup into bowls. Gamish with generous tablespoon whiped pumpkin seeds, do leaves. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

For a free set of recipes, send a



Add new flavor to classic Macaroni and Cheesso by using Monterey Jack and sharp White cheddar cheeses. Serve with a green salad or a platter of vege
chicken, pork or turkey if desired.

Keeping well-stocked freezers and pantrys makes preparing quality meals easy

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# Celebrate with an Easter ham and all the trimmings 



Robin Kline, a registered dietitian and director of the Pork Information Bureau, says most ham
on the market today are smoked and fully cooked. "There ar four basic types of Picking th right ham for the right occasion is easy once you know how to read the label," she says. All are available bone less or bonein, and can be served hot or cold.

- Ham: No water is added to this ham as it is dry cured, old-fashioned, country-style or Southern-style ham. This ham is a Southern spesmall portions very thinly sliced.
E Ham with Natural Juices: This ham has lit the favorite choice for a dinner centerpiece.
$\square$ Ham-Added Water: These hams retain more water during the curing process than ham with natur al juices. These hams have extensive menu versatility are ideal for steaks, thin slicing and shaving. $\square$ Ham and Water Product: This ham produc fat content, as well as its price. A good choice fo sandwiches, this ham is commonly found in the deli and is excellent for slicing or shaving.
When cooking, follow the label. Most hams
today are fully cooked, and will be labeled so. Fully cooked hams can be served without heating, if desired, right from the refrigerator. To serve hot just unwrap the ham, heat to an internal tempera ture of 140 degrees F and serve. Just follow the degree $F$ to 350 -degree $F$ oven
A ham labeled "cook before eating" should b roasted to an internal temperature of 160 degrees $F$ Plan on cooking an uncooked ham for 30 minutes
per pound, and use a meat thermometer to judge per pound, and use a meat thermometer to judge
doneness. As with any perishable product, refriger ate leflovers within two hours of serving.
This year, the National Pork Producers Council suggests serving your Easter ham with a selection of fruit chutneys, salsas and marmalade. Complete the
menu with fresh vegetables, biscuits or corn muffins menu with fresh vegetables, biscuits or corn muffin
from the bakery and your favorite potato salad.


## Cranberry-Jalapeno Chutney

## 2-ounce can whole-berry cranberry sauce tablespoons finely chopped white onion

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ding hot peppers, wear rubber gloves to proeet skin) ding hot peppers, wear rubber gloves to protect skin)
tablespoon lime juice 2 teaspoons sugar

## 4 teaspoon salt

In a medium bowl combine all ingredients well Refrigerate, covered, up to three weeks Serve a

## Pineapple Salsa

1 (8-ounce) can crushed pineapple, drained 2 tablespoons orange marmalade
1 tablespoon chopped cilantro tablespoon chopped and
teaspoons seeded
teaspoons lime juice

Stir together all ingredients in a medium bow until well blended. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve. Serve cold or at room temperature

## Orange-Mint Salsa <br> 2 oranges, peeled, seeded and chopped cup snipped fresh mint 1 teaspoon grated orange zest <br> Salt, to taste <br> Stir together all ingredients. Cover and refriger ate until ready to serve. Serve chilled or at room

## Sweet-n-Hot Apple Chutney

2 cups rice-wine vinegar
aup brown sugar
red bell pepper, seeded and diced poblano chill, seeded and diced
jalapeno chilies, seeded and diced 2 tablespoons minced red onion 3 green apples, peeled, cored and diced

In large saucepan, bring vinegar to a boil. Stir brown sugar to dissolve. Add all other ingredient except apples and lemon juice; boil 8 minutes. Add their shape Remove from heat, stir in lemon juice Cover and refrigerate until serving. Serve at room temperature. Makes about 2 cups.

## Mango Salsa

2 to 3 ripe mangoes, chopped
1 jalapeno chill, seeded and
cup minced red onion
4 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
tablespoons cider vinegr
Salt, to taste
Stir together all ingredients in medium bowl untll well blended. Cover and refrigerate untl ready to serve. Serve
Makes about $1_{2}^{\prime}$ cups

Cherry-Onion Marmalade
\%/2 cup orange juice
cup water
2 tablespoons dry sherry
teaspoons grated orange zes cup red currant jelly tablespoon lemon Juce
teaspoon Dyon-style mustara 1 teaspoon Dyon-sty 1 teaspoon
Salt, to taste
In medium saucepan, combine the first five ingredients; brimg to a boil, lower heat and simmer for 15 minutes. Stir in remaning ingredıents, cover and refrigerate untul serving. Makes about 2 cups.

## Egg hunts are a welcome spring ritual




## Rookie Cookie's Recipe Easter Salads



## Bunny

canned peach half for face - lettuce for border
carrot strips for whiskers - raisins for eyes and nose half, for ears



Words about spring are hidden in the block below Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find. FLOWERS, SPRING, BURS FOL WATER BAB, GROW, SEASONS, MOISTURE, EGGS, BUTTERFLIES, BIRDS, SUN.

## Mini Spy...

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Mini Spy and her friends are enjoying spring flowers.
See if you can find:
and

## Animals Spring Into Action

Do you feel frisky and perky and awake in the spring? Most animals o. They might even look different. They might lose some fur and feathers. Their fur might change color, or their feathers might get

Animal changes

- Some animals, especially birds, travel north or migrate. They return home after wintering in warmer areas to the south. mates, some develop songs. Others might stake out territory, stop living in flocks and start living in pairs.
- Some male animals add body muscle as they get ready to fight other males over territory.

ale opossums fight each other for the chance to mate. But even the winning mal doesn't live very long. He dies soon after
mating. So many males die that by the end of spring and summer, most 80 to 90 percent) of all opossums will be females or
babies.


In spring there is a lot of food to help young
anlmals grow. Birds' eggs hatch when there a good supply of insects.


Many baby bears
are born in winter are born in winter
while the mother while the mother
is hibernating. By
spring they are spring they are
big enough to big enoug
follow her foilow her
outside. When they leave
their dens they their dens, they
are very hungry. are very hung
there is not enough food, they will strip the
bark off the trees. bark of can do a lo
Bears
of damage.

## Baby animals

Some animal babies, such as chipmunks, live underground until seeds are plentiful.
Many animals, such as raccoons and birds, can have two or more litters throughout the year. But the first litter usually comes in spring. If the mother is not ?ealthy, that may be her only one. Farm animals usually have babies in the spring because the farmers plan it females get together if it means that the babies will be born in the winter:


Insect changes
Social insects, such as ants and bees, go to work. They've been huddled together inside their hive or nest during the cold months. They've used up most of their food. Workers have to find more food soon.
Look through your
newspaper


Some insects fly north, or migrat Monarch butterflies travel from Mexico and southern California. Along the way they lay eggs on milkweed buds, then continue their journey. When these eggs hatch and change to butterflies, they fly north too. They know where to go even though no way.
Young insects
Some eggs, such as grasshoppers' and crickets', hatch underground. Little grasshoppers push their way to the soil surface and start eating their favorite plants.
Some butterflies and beetles spend the winter in pupa stage - wrapped in a cocoon. As it warms, the adult comes out of the case.
The Mim Page thanks Joan Von Ahn, customer service meteorloggst, National Oceanc and Atmosphenc
Admmistration, Chnstune Filanagan , publlic programs coordnator, US Botanic Gardens; Miles Roberts,
head of the zoologcal research department. Natoonal


for signs of spring
for signs of spring.
Next week, The Mini Page celebrates

## Crescent City

 Classic beckons runners to N.O.CALL IT third time lucky.
Even though this runner has ived in Louisiana for a number years, he has never run the Crescent City Classic. Shame on
him.
Two years ago, he finally decid ed tog.
At that time, bronchitis forced postponement of an intended excur
sion. But last year's excuse eludes sion. But last ye
The resolve is to change that this

(6)ear. New Orieans' not just for serious runners, although it is the National 10 K hampıonships for USA Track And
Field - the sport's
Conway Many of the pa

- takers walk, jog, or run the race. Any
Notebook above works. Organizers say
the race is the fastest in the world, and given hat's it's flat - it's fast. But exper ence tells me downhlll courses are indeed the swiftest - even if they don't keep you honest. Lake Area Runner Dave Kohrs is no stranger to the classic - he's got an exten-
sive poster collection from the race He tells me the top 500 fimishers get the coveted poster, which makes a nice addition to the cus tomary T-shirt offered by race directors. A finishing time of 40 minutes or so should clinch a guarantee.
The 6.2 mile distance is not excessive, compared to a marathon. And although my traming could be going better (what runner does not ward to getting into a bıg race like the classic.
It should provide a stark contrast to training on the country DeQuincy where pushing and shov not really necessary.
The race is the biggest (partic1with up to 25,000 runners slated to oe the line in the French Quarte Saturday morning
The post-event party is reputed o be more fun than the race itself. And while New Orleanians hardly need an excuse to party, the can party without the gult. Or true French Quarter style, party regardless of guilt.
Let the party begi
FREE GUIDE: Collage Video Specialties provides a free guide to 346 exercise and fitmess videos The
videos in the guide can be purvideos in the guide can be purretaler.
The huge variety of aerobic and oning programs in "The Complete Guide to Exercise Videos' includes workouts for the very beginner to the very advanced exerciser. This outs for everything from the latest hip-hop dance moves to 'Spmning' on a stationary bike," Collage said in a press release
For a free one-year subscription
to the guide, write: Exercise VIdeo to the guide, write: Exercise VIdeo Minneapolis, MN 55421; or call (800) $708-9222$.

ALUMNUS NEWS: Yet another reminder, that running and racıng are relative terms. Former McNeese standout and Contraband Five-Miler recordholder Tom Cross Country in Turin, Italy, Sunday. He ran $39: 32$ for the 12 K distance while Kenyan Paul Tergat won in 35:11.

Joe Conway is a former all.Southland conference athlete and has a master
education degree. His column runs on Wednesdays. Consulut your physicilan
before adopting any exercise advice or Wednesdays. Con
befor adopting
new regimen.

MS: A constant kind of gouging'

When multiple sclerosis forced its way into the life of Melanie Scott-W
1982, she was almost relieved.

She had feared something else "I has so convinced it wis. "I was so convinced it was a brain
tumor," she sald. "I thought this was a prece of cake."
Melanie had been worried about prob lems that had been affecting the left side of her body. She had difficulty lifting her leg to climb stairs and her vision began to blur
Although the symptoms were mild, he was a textbook case for MS. It often strikes people between the ages of 20 to
40 and Melanie was in her early 30 's. Two-thirds more women than men dev op 1 t.
For five years, her symptoms never
progressed Then 10 years passed, and progressed Then 10 years passed, and Melanie thought she was home free. But then, number 13 lived up to its Jeputation of triggering bad luck n dagnosis--Melanee hit a wall.
She became confused and fatigued. She lost some coordination and her balance was off. She had difficulty walking. MS is a disease that affects the central nervous system It attacks and eats away at a substance called myelin that surrounds and protects the nerve fibers of of the brain and spinal cord are affected Scleroses-or hardened patches of scar tissue-may form over the damaged myeln.
The nerves are not dead or damaged," sard Melanie's husband, Dick, the Minister at Maplew's more like a shortcrrcuit or a bad connection.
"Impulses don't travel normally," he said "Muscles aren't damaged--they're just not getting the right messages to make them work.
Untul Melanie had an exacerbation-a period of active disease or attacks-in 1995, neither Dick nor Melanie were full "I was shocked" Melanie sard "But "I was shocked," Melanie sard "But
multiple sclerosıs is very unpredıctable." Melanie has been diagnosed with a relapsing-remitting MS.
There is a clear relapse, or exacerbation, with etther full recovery or with partial recovery and lasting disability
Between attacks, there is no progression Between attack
of the disease.
of the disease.
Dick said the 1995 attack has leveled Dick said the 1995 attack has leveled
off somewhat but it still ongomg, and


An exercise class sponsored by the Multıple Sclerosis Society meets twice a week at Maplewood United Methodist An exercise clash sp. The class is open to people with any limitations. Denise Ackley (left), instructor, works on
Church in Sulphur.
strength and flexibility exercises with Ollie Hulin, who has arthritis, and Melanie Scott-Welch, Mary Ann Miller and Louis

## quence

Whick now she used to be strong in math, and prepare to balance the checkbook and prepare the taxes The area of the she sometimes has difficulty expressing she sometimes has difculty expressing a cane and tires easily. She becomes confused and distracted easily.
"She was witty, gregarious-very
extroverted," Dick said "Now she may extroverted," Dick said "Now she may
sit with others in a conversation and sit with others in a conversation and
never say anything She's not quick never say anything She's not quick
enough to get into the conversation For the 13 years that Melanie lived For the 13 years that Melanie lived
with only muld symptoms, she said she and Dick were in denial. So when the symptoms escalated, they weren't prepared.
"You feel sad; you feel angry-a whole lot of different things," Melanie said "I was disgusted with myself for not doing
things I should have been doing I should things I should have been doing I should
have been paymg more attention to my have been paying more attention to mo signals, although I don't know what I could have done if I picked up on the sig nals.
"It was a big shock for me, and a worse one for Dick," she contunued "
had been denyung it, but there was no had been denying it, but there was no
hiding it in' 95 Often things are worse
for the person who's watching it " On two occasions in the past 21 months, Melanie has been hospital
once in Lake Charles and once in Houston. During those tmes, she has been given Solu-Medrol, a steroid that Bus in But there is hope for patients with MS ments that may help some patients Three drugs, Betaserone, Avonex and Copaxone are believed to reduce the fr quency and severity of the attacks. Melanie is treated by Dr. Lisa Snider, well as that of a doctor in Houston, Melanie has just decided to start Betaserone, a move she has considered for several months "I really wanted to b reassu
said said Drck said that was a decision that Melanie had to make "That was part of
her moving to the idea that 'I have this and it's not going away,"' he said But, Dick admits, it's not always easy to know which decisions Melanne can make and which ones she needs help with1 "It's a constant kind of gauging," sald. "I don't want to make decisions for her that she can do for herself, but I want to be there for her when she needs help with decisions."

Both Melanie and Dick said the latest attack provided a real awakening for them, and in some ways, they are still
trying to come to terms with it "It trying to come to terms with it. "It are ripple effects that affect everyoneher famuly, my family, and that's not all bad. Some of that is good. It makes us aware that everyone is dealing with something.
"But it's been a big adjustment," he continued. "It's like an on-going crisis,
and we're not back in normal patterns yet."
Melane has started cognitive rehabil itation with Dr. Charles Robertson of the Lake Area Neuropsychology Association, Inc.
He conducted a battery of tests which indicated areas of the brain which have
been affected by the disease. "MS is not luke what happens to your brain in a wreck," Melanie explamed.
"The things are still there-you just can't access them He can help me access can't ac
In addition, Dick and Melanie have recerved counseling, which has helped them, and the church has offered comfor and assistance. "They have been suppor enough to help you keep your faith when people are living theirs

## Local woman: MS manageable with positive attitude <br> <br> studres are onsoing and researchers are

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| :---: | :---: |
| When Mary Ann Miller was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1976, it was completely forelgn to her. For all she knew, it could have been Lou Gehrıg's disease or muscular dystrophy <br> "We just thought it was a death sentence," she said. <br> However, she said, "It doesn't end your life; it just changes the way you do things. With management, you can live with it. But you must choose to be positive." <br> For Louise Tyndall, MS was an nvisible disease for years before she was actually diagnosed with it. "I will be 70 in June, and I've been playing around with it for about 30 years. For years I had no idea what was wrong. I started having symptoms at 40 . I had walking difficulties and numbness is my hands and feet." | Symptoms for MS may include one or more of the following: <br> $\square$ Weakness <br> - Tingling <br> numbness <br> - Imparred sensation <br> Lack of coordination <br> - Disturbances in equilibrium <br> Double vision <br> EInvoluntary, rapid movement of the eye <br> - Slurred speech <br> a Tremor <br> - Stiffness or spasticity <br> - Weakness of limbs <br> Paralysis of the extremities <br> - Impared bladder or bowel function <br> Source: National Multiple Sclerosis Society | symptams at 40 . I had walking difficulIn 1976 she became serious about finding out what was wrong. "I went to a McNeese football game and I could hardly walk up the steps at the football stadiwas crying. I was laboring to get up those steps."

In 1987, after an MRI, the "possible MS" diagnosis she had been receiving became official.
Both Miller and Tyndall, who are diagnosed with chronic progressive MS and Melanie Scott-Welch are among the
participants in an exercise class at participants in an exercise class at
Maplewood United Methodist Church. The class is sponsored by the MS Society and is open to people with any limitations, not just MS.
"It's wonderful," said Miller. "MS people need to move. We cannot become couch potatoes. We have to keep our muscles and our bodies moving. We n to stretch, and that's important ever day. It makes you more flexible. It keeps
the parts working; it keeps them oiled."

## According to Tyndall, "exercise gives you a chance to interact with others. You

 get to know each other well We dıscussMS, but also everything else that's going on in our lives"
Denise Ackley of Lake Charles is the instructor for the class She is employed by Gig1's of St. Patrick Hospital, but is also under contract by the MS Soclety.
"Our motto is 'move what you have,"
she sald "Keep what you have at the she sald "Keep
moment strong."
moment strong.
Hopefully, she sard, patients who have exacerbations-acute attacks or clear relapses of the disease-
bounce back more quickly if they have been in an exercise program
In the meantıme, researchers do appear to be making progress in treating the disease. The once extreme idea of regenerating damaged myelin has at least in theory become possible $\underset{\text { experimental vaccine sug involving an }}{\text { A rested the }}$ experımental vaccine suggested the pos
s1bility of building up cells which protect myelin.
"It appears to be there is a lot of "I progress being made," Tyndall sad. "I
thunk it's just a matter of time before they discover something to stop the pro gression.

That will be espectally helpful with younger people, where it might prevent further damage
Zita Sorace, a volunteer with the MS
Society who is also a victim of MS, said
learning more about MS, which for years learning more about MS, w
has been a "closet disease."
"People need to know there is help out there for them," she said. "There are a lot of things being done for people with MS. We see a lot of cognitive problems
with MS Doctors didn't want to talk with MS Doctors didn't want to talk about them for years. We have an MS
patient in her early 50 's in Autumn patient
Some aspects of MS resemble Alzhemerer's Disease, she added, and it is very difficult for families, especially spouses to cope with it. "You live with MS a long time, and I'm afraid of wha MS patients may cook and forget to MS patients may cook and forget to
turn off a burner or may be unable to bathe or shower alone for fear of burnmg in hot water
"It's a very mysterious disease, and people often don't want others to know they have the disease," she sard. "People don't want to be
MS is different.
"You could put 30 people in a room and bring in some doctors and they couldn't tell which which ones didn't."
Sorace suggested that MS patients be put in physical therapy and that they be retranned when neceessary. Some problems associated with MS-such as bowe
and bladder incontinence are treatable. "We have come so far with medica. "We have come so far with medica


Ehelsea Clinton joins in on a Masai dance with Mama Joan Flinton looks on during a visit to the Olturoto Village in Arusha, Tanzania, Tuesday

## First lady backs work in combatting genocide

$\begin{array}{cl}\quad \text { ARUSHA, Tanzania (AP) - } & \begin{array}{l}\text { crimes as possible are prosecut- } \\ \text { Hillary Rodham Clinton voiced }\end{array} \\ \text { ed. The United States has ear- }\end{array}$ Hillary Rodham Clinton voiced support Tuesday for efforts to ried out the genocidal slaughter of an estimated 500,000 people in Rwanda two years ago.
"The war in Rwanda was waged against the lives and dig. nity of women and children," suggests that rape and sexual assault were committed on a mass scale. Of this the world community must speak with one voice; such
She said the United States will She said the United States will
marked $\$ 12$ million to support Tribunal for Rwanda, created to punish the perpetuators of the Rwandan slaughter
"We seek punishment not for its own sake, but as a signal of the return of the rule of law and accountability, as a stark warn ror," she said.
Following a meeting with lawyers and prosecutors on the tribunal's work in finding and interviewing witnesses in sexua violence cases, the first lady said
the panel "deserves our stron
support" but also must adhere to reforms instituted by the United cient, effective and just.
"A tribunal that does not live up to these standards will undermine the prospects of peace in central Africa, and dishonor the memory of those whand
The tribunal was created November 1994 to prosecute those who carried out the mass slaughter, mostly of members of the minority Tutsi ethnic group. After the meeting, the first lady taped a radio

We will continue to stand
with you in partnership as you do the hardest, most important work of all - hearning to live together, repairing your country," she said.
Her words were welcomed by Francois Nzabamwita, 30, a Tutsi whose parents and siblings - a total of 15 family members meeting as a journalist for Rwandan television.

Nzabamwita said he doubts that he will ever receive true jus. tice, regardless of how successfui the sheer nited.

## Britain announces inquiry into tunnel built by prisoners

## and understanding despite pointed differences on <br> On Wednesday morning in Beijing, after reading initial reports of the Tuesday discus. sions, the administration - at Gore's direction - significantly campaign controversy was dis cussed. Gore was concerned that it appeared he had not made clear that the administration ook the allegations seriously would suffer if they were found to be true. <br> The administration official

## Environment minister named first woman premier in Bermuda

HAMILTON, Bermuda (AP) - The ruling party has picked the daughter of a renowned civl
rights leader as the new prime minister in a move apparently aimed at establishing rapport with voters ahead of national elections.
The United Bermuda Party named Pamela Gordon, former environment minister, to the
post Monday after no other

## BriEfly

Peruvian air force downs drug plane Peruvian air force shot down a small plane suspected of carry ing drugs after trying unsuccess. fully to force the arrcraft to
the military said Tuesday The air force said the twin engine plane was intercepted Sunday while flymg without a registered flight plan over the central jungle in the department of Junin, about 185 mules east of Lima.
The aircraft had taken off tine air strip, "where it picked up a shipment of drugs," the air force said in a communique.
The plane, which had no visible registration marks, ignored radio calls and signals to land and trianes, the air force sand. The air force fired on the small plane, which went down in the jungle. There was no information on how many people were aboard or whether the were injured or killed Area residents said they saw the plane catch fire in the air and fall to the ground, The Lima newspaper said anti-narcotics police were searching for the Per
Peru maintains a policy of of carrying drugs if they ignore of carrying drugs if they ignore have been released for 1996, Peruvian news reports said authorities forced down 20 air-

## No military exercises

 targeting Taiwan China will not stage war game near Taiwan this year but is building missile bases along its coast, Chinese military officials were quoted Tuesday as saying.More guided missiles also a being manufactured in case action is needed to halt what Beijing interprets as Taiwanese
moves toward independence, the United Daily News quoted a Chinese military official as say ing in Bejing.
The same paper reported Monday that China was prepar

Cabinet ministers challenged her. Gordon, 41, is the country's
first woman premier and also the first woman premier and also the 400 -year history.
Her appointment came five days after Prıme Minister David Saul, 57, resigned to make way for a younger - and more popu-lar-leader.
new start of a new day for the
ing a repeat of the military exercises it staged last year, which shook Taiwan's economy and led Washington to send two
carriers to the region.
But in its follow-up story, it as saying China's priority this year is not Tawwan but the handover of Hong Kong and the autumn Communist Party con gress.

The official also was quoted as saying, however, that the current visit of the Dalai Lama to
Taipel is as damaging to ChinaTaiwan relations as President Lee Teng-hui's 1995 visit to the United States. It was that trip that provoke
exercises.
Girl convicted for killing when she was 12 When She was 12 - A teen-ager who told her dary that kulling "turned her on" was found guilty Tuesday of murder ing a woman at age 12 , making her the youngest convicted fe Sharon Carr, now 17, stabb 19-year-old Katie Rackiff 29 times and left her body in a field near Farnborough, in southeast England. on the night of June 6, 1992.

She was convicted on the retracted, and letters to friends retracted, and letters to friends her feelings during the kulling.
Judge Sir Thomas Scott Baker sentenced Carr to be detained mndefinitely. She was led
from the dock smiling. Carr was charged with Carr was charged with the
murder in 1995 after telling a prison officer at a young offend ers' facility that a gold bracelet was missing from Rackliff's wrist. Police had
that fact public.

She had been sent to the facile Sy after stabbing a fellow schoolgirl on the second anniversary of Rackliff's death.

During her time in the institute, she relived the murder in her diary jottings, with many "Ifonly I could kill you a "If only I could kill you again I
promise I'd make you suffer more, you slag", she wrote. "Your terrified screams turned meon."
flavor'" of the discussions be eported
On Wednesday morning, Gore with students at Qinghu University before visiting China's Great Wall and then heading to an evening meetin with President Jiang Zemin
"I believe our two nations are leading the way to a peaceful and prosperous future," Gore told students. Without making any direct reference to China's communist government, Gore said hat around the world "old way are being swept aside" by power
ful economic and political forces.
said Gore told Li the investiga ion and the media controvers distract the Clinton White House from its policy of engagement with China.
This official said Gore and Li did not discuss the potential impact on U.S.China ties 1 American law enforcement offl
cials became convinced the alle gations were true.
But a more senior official
nsisted that Gore told Li "th controversy is of no consequence if the allegations turn out to be is another matter." This officia said it was critical that the "full

United Bermu
sald Monday.
She will be sworn in Thursday by the British sworn in Thursday nor, Lord Waddington.
"We have been accused o being aloof and distant ... that the UBP government is a strictly business party and that we separate ourselves from the needs of the peoople," Gordon said. "It was

## would like to think

ould like to think." Gordon, who is black and a
relative political newcomer relative political newcomer,
pledged to bridge the differences between the majority black population and the white business elite. She faces the difficult task of restoring the party's populariy in time for general elections,
which must be held within the next 18 months.

| BELFAST, Northern land (AP) - Accused of let- | Wheeler, said Tuesday in a BBC radio interview. |
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| Irish Republican Army | A guard by chance discov- |
| isoners virtually run the | ered the tunnel from H-7 |
| Maze jail, Britan on Tuesday | block, which houses 95 IRA |
| ordered an investigation into | men, on Sunday night. It was |
| w inmates were able to tun- | the most serious attempted |
| nel to within 30 yards of the | breakout since 1983, when 38 |
| perimeter fence. | IRA prisoners escaped. Most |
| The prison guards' union | were recaptured. |
| complained that the IRA | Announcing the inquiry, |
| mates in the Maze's H - | Sir Patrick Mayhew, Britain's |
| shaped blocks, which are sup- | top official in the province, |
| posed to have maximum secu- | said the Maze presented "a |
| rity, dictate when guards | unıque challenge by reason of |
| make searches and are left to | the character of the prisoners |
| their own devices most of the | there." |
| time. | "It is quite wrong to say the |
| The prisoners drilled | shots are called by the |
| through concrete and stored | nmates," Mayhew, the |
| 45 tons of rubble from the tun- |  |
| in two uninspected cells, | told reporters. "(But) it may be |
| British government officials | that the balance is not correct |
| acknowledged. The tunnel, | at the moment." |
| seven feet below ground, was | The Maze prison, with 1,200 |
| equipped with electricity. | guards and 500 inmates, is one |
| "The prisoners in question | of the most expensive in |
| are terrorist prisoners. | Britain to run. |
| They have a lot of ingenuity," | Critics have alleged before |
| Britain's Northern Ireland | that IRA prisoners get kid- |
| Prisons Minister, Sır John | glove treatment |

$\begin{array}{cl}\text { BELFAST, } & \text { Northern } \\ \text { Wheeler, said Tuesday in a } \\ \text { Ireland (AP) - Accused of let- } & \text { BBC radio interview. }\end{array}$ ting Irish Republican Army A guard by chance discovprizoners rdered a investigation into block, w Sunday night It was nel to within 30 yards of the pertmeter fence.
complained that the IRA inmates in the Maze's $H$ shaped blocks, which are sup rity, dictate when guards can make searches and are left to time. acknowledged. The tunne seven feet below ground, was quipped with electricity. glove treatme





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## $L_{\text {IFE }}$

## Sex photos not gone or forgotten

Dear Abby: About a year ago, when I was five months pregnant, I found hidden pic-
tures of my husband and his former girlfriend. These weren't just ordinary pictures - they were very graphic sex pictures. I was devastated. I thought maybe
ten about
them, but when I confronted him, he admitted
going down to going down to
the basement on occasion to
look at them Dear I know that Abby he has not - even spoken to Abigall her for years,
so why would
Van Buren so why wou take a chance to keep such pictures hidden in our
house? He is a wonderful husband and a great father to our two children. I really do trust him,
but I am still upset a year later.

He has told me over and over that he is sorry, and I have forgiven hum, but I just can't get this out of my head. I think about It all the time and have become
very insecure
Please print your reply as he may get the mail first and think I am crazy for stlll having this hang-up Sign me Insecure Dear Insecure: The timing of your discovery could not have been more unfortunate. But since he hasn't spoken to this ful, trustworthy husband and father, you would be wise to quit orturing yourself over the incident If you feel the need to dwell ings and dwell on them
Dear Abby: I remodel houses or the Veterans Administration. I happen to be female, but I can lay floorng, hang Sheetrock, paint, wallpaper-anyth ptectal wrig I make frequent trips to hardBecause I am small, my husband accompanes me to do the lifttng and loadmg Clerks in these ores frequently ignore me, but ffer to help my husband. If I ask a question, the clerks inva

Sometumes my husband will times I step between my husand and the clerk, smile and ay, "I am the carpenter and the buying customer." The older
male salesclerks are more set in ther notions about women doing this kind of work, but find female or young male clerks Forgive my bragging, but I Lady carpenter in Louisiana Dear Lady carpenter: Cloria. Dear Lady carpu You Glorla broken the gender barrier, making it easier for other women to o where females have feared to
ad. More power to you ears ago, a man named Howard inger came to my office to ision set. Obserandled by my small staff, he aid, "My wife would be perfect , My wife would be perf otch secretary for many year
"Have her stop by the office r an interview," I suggested. o make a long story short, I hired her.
Sylvia Singer had uncommon common sense and wit, and she las a marvelous addition to the four years ago.
She passed away on Feb. 8band and a small army of friend and admirers, including me.

BENTON, Mo. It migh seem a supernatural force has seized this remote county of twoforests. It can be found in the surge in crime. And in the inex-

With terrible suddenness, a flash fire erupts and then a blast engulfing one man. A strange scene follows: The victim's friends dash outside to bury a skillet and a blender as police arrive.
A desperate young thief steals a pickup, a car and a Harley
Davidson, all in a single night. Over the course of a month rampaging teens burn a church, a machine shed and railroad crossing signs and rip through ravines, ditches and a golf
course, with the damages reach ing nearly $\$ 1$ million.
Odd and terrifying, these episodes are not the work of the occult Authorities have a more prosaic explanatıon: metham-
phetamıne.
A potent and popular, de-
structive and sometimes deadly structive and sometimes deadiy the West, methamphetamine has invaded America's heartland.
Users can become walking zombies, fueled by paranord fantasies as they go days without sleep or food, only craving more of the drug
Methamphetamine has
runed lives, filled jalss, flooded rourts and frustrated police.
"Years ago, I predicted it would be the biggest problem we what it would turn out to be," says Scott County Sherffe, Ferrell, who has reigned over f southeast Missouri for 20 years. It snowyou don't know what you've got until it's too late."
Methamphetamine als known as meth, crank, ice or crystal, has cut a wide swath through middle America, surpassing the popularity of crack munties
Its tentacles reach from back woods barns in southeast Missouri's Bootheel to desolate Indian reservations in North Dakota and South Dakota to caravans of illegal immigrants who looking for work in meatpacking plants in Nebraska and Iowa "We're in the madio meth epidemic," says Ken Carter, director of the Iowa Division of $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Narcotics } \\ \text { Enforcement. "This state has a }\end{array}\right]$ Enforcement. "This state has a


Sheriff's Deputy Steve McCain carries a cooker from a suspected methamphetamine lab in rural Butler County, Mo., in was purchased with the money collected from prosecuting
drug-related cases.
stuff. . It's from high school all cases
the way up to the age people
should know better."
Iowa's meth arrests based on reports covering most of the state accounted for 47 percent of
drug activity in 1995, compared with less than 5 percent four years earlier. And Nebraska police recently selzed the largest shipment of the drug ever in the state, recovering 34 pounds,
worth $\$ 1.5$ mllion, in February These increases are part of broader trend Officials at the Drug
Enforcement Administration region that covers five Midwest states and southern Illmois say meth arrests skyrocketed in a
five-year period ending in 1996 five-year period ending in 1996
from 47 to 424 Those numbers don't mclude hundreds of people nabbed by local and state authorities.
And in fiscal year 1996, the
DEA sezzed 303 meth lass in the DEA seized 303 meth labs in the
Midwest, compared with just six Mrdwest, compared with just six them - 250 - were here in Missouri
"We, in effect, have become the source country ,"n the
Midwest for meth," says Mrephent for meth," says
Sthe $U S$ atorney in Kansas City, whose office has
been overwhelmed by these


Wayne County Sheriff Nathan Hale, white shirt, and a deputy look over evidence collected from a house suspected of being a mini drug factory was discovered by law enforcement officals checking the scene for the cause of the fire.

Long a problem in the West and Southwest, especially California, where 799 meth labs were seized in 1996 the drug has spread to the heartland partly
because 1 t's so easy to make, pecause it's so easy to make, money to be made
"You don't have to go to
Mexico," says Ferrell, the Scott County sheriff. "You don't have to transport it from Colombia with stuff you can buy from the local hardware store
Methamphetamine, which can be smoked, snorted, swal lowed or mjected, normally con-
tains ephedrine or pseutains ephedrine or pseu-
doephedrme, found in over-thecounter cold medications Depending on the recipe, other ingredients used in the cooking are the stuff of skull-and-cross-
bones labels lye, rat killer, bat bones labels lye, rat killer, bat-
tery parts and various chemıtery m
cals.
Poltse a highly volatile mix horrer stories of meth "cooks" who have severely burned them selves - or even dred -
Many meth labs are mom-and-pop operations, modern-day

The drug can be made with a meth user buzzed for a day or skillet and stove, in a bathtub, ven a car trunk with a plastic drinking cup. And the recipe is It's lucrative too: a $\$ 1,000$ vestment, police say, can reap a $\$ 20,000$ profit
But its consequences often In South Dakota, a man awakened by his girlfriend from a binge grabbed his handgun
wounded her and klled two peo ple before turning the weapon on himself In Missouri, a 17. year-old was convicted of mur dering another teen in what pone bad. And in Nebraska, teen died after collapsing at his high school prom; toxicology reports indicate he had taken
Stull, many remain unfazed
"It's a cheap man's high," explans Robin Mesey, 40, who denits to charges the drug bu Missouri that he attempted to manufacture it
"It's longer-lasting Price.
Police say $\$ 100$ can buy cocame user a 20 -minute high the same amount can keep a

You learn to depend on it. It becomes more important than everything in life," says Mesey, as he sits in the Butler County Jail, calmly describing how meth has rumed him.
"I try to keep my sense of humor," he says, a smile under. neath a scraggly mustache
"That's the only thing I have left. I've given away everything
Stull, Mesey adds, chances are good he'll use again of he he ains in the county.
"It takes five minutes to have "and it doesn't cost me a dime because I know so many people." That doesn't surprise Kevin Glaser, a narcotics officer for the who arrived at a house-traller ire last year as some of the burn ictim's buddies were scram hing to bury cooking utensils commo
meth
"It's
"It's hard to imagine a drug controlling you the way it does," lasersays "They see their fam flling apart, but the only thm that matters to them is dope"

Addicted to meth: One man's story


Let's explore the traditions of Easter
CLEVELAND - Easter Sunday, commemorating the is the most sacred day of the Christian scclesiastical year For many families, the joy of Easter is also expressed traditions, many of which have their roots in ancient mythology and folklore. American Greetings offers
the following historical facts:

## $\square$ Origins of the Word

Origins of the Word
Easter: According to the writings of the "venerable Bede," who lived from 672 to 735 A.D., the name "Easter" was coined or the Anglo-Saxon goddess of Spring, Eostre, whose festivernal equinox.
The Easter Bunny: immigrants brought the tradition of the Easter Bumny to America. Early American children would build nests
for the hare, and beheved if they were good, the hare would lay eggs in the nests.
According to anciens
mythology, the Easter Bums origmally was a bird ti..: belonged to Eostre, the gradis. of spring In a fit of anger. she
changed him into a rabbit. hich explans why the Easter with colored esss Over ite years, the chuldren: putting out brever..... before for the Eaite Buay and small gitts.
Easter Cards and Gifts: a popular way to stay in touch. Easter is the thurd largest holday card-sendmg occasion of
the year, after Christmas and Valentme's Day.
Easter Colors: White, the most popular Easter colors. White stands for light, purity and joy, yellow symbolizes radiance; purple is
the color of royalty and symbolzzes mourning and green is symbolic of new life. Decorating Easter
Eggs: Easter eggs are not recorded in Western Europe until the fifteenth century Some historians speculate that

: missionares or knights of the Crusades brought the custom of decorating eggs westward. | In Eastern Europe, egg |
| :--- | decorating evolved into an

art form. Elaborate designs were painstakingly applied to create one-of-a-kind master-
pieces. The most renowned are the famous Faberge eggs.
Easter Egg Games: egg games for hundreds of
years Two of the most popular are huntung for eggs supposedly left by the Easter Bunny and egg rolling - rolling eggs
across a lawn with a spoon. Today, the most famous egg roll is the one held annually on the South Lawn of the White House. The event began during the Presidency of James Madison ( $1809-1817$ ) at the sug-
gestion of his wfe, Dolley.

- Easter Parades: The clothes on Easter most likely dates back to the times when TMarch. New clothes were worn to signify a new beginning. Another theory hypothfrom early days of the
Christian church, when white robes were presented to newly baptized members.

Set diet rules that you can live with

| Question: The need to get fat |  | extra cholesterol | For example, if you find you eat |
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| out of my diet has been made |  |  |  |

## Sex short-circuits their relationship



Louisiana State Police employee wins logo contest
Jennufer Creel, an employee of
the Lounsiana State Police the Loulsiana State Police, won the
logotype contest of the Southwest logotype contest of the Southwes.
Lousiana Historical Assoclation. The design shows an outline of the state, a Fleur de Lis, and a music note. They represent geog.
raphy, the area's history, and culture, respectively. Creel also

## Food

Like cooking? Want to learn how? Want new recipes? Check out the Food section every Wednesday

Public hearing will focus
on Calcasieu River Bridge

|  | The shoplifter was reported to police and when officers |
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|  | attempted to take him into |
| aposal to limit navigation | custody, he dashed out on |
| through the Calcasieu River | Ryan street with the office |
| Bridge to daylight hours only | pursuit. The officers |
| has been set for $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in the | faster, and caught him at the |
| sociation of Commerce | intersection, recovered the |
| ailding in Lake Charles. | iron, and jailed the thief. |
| Object of the hearing is to tain the views of navigation | House |
| terests, the officials of towns | From an ad for Mulle |
| cities, harbors and oth | department store in Lake |
| oose interest may be affected | Charles: |
| 'The hearing results from rious requests from Lake | - Meat chopper with bone |
| Charles officials and civ |  |
| the war department to | - Cast alumınum fryin $\mathrm{n}, \$ 2.95$ |
| hibit passage of large vessels rugh the bridee at ne | -Stainless steel frying pan, |
| The requests were urged | \$1.20. |
| ral vessels struck |  |
| and damaged the span while | n the c |
| night. | - Camp on Calcasıeu River with over 300 feet frontage. 16 |
| efabricated | by 28 ft house with large |
| Are you in a hurry for a h | screened porch. Two mules |
| of your own? The Loussana- | from ice plant... $\$ 3,150$. |
| Western Lumber Company will | -10-room house at 527 |
| solve your problem in ajify. | Nichols Str |
| In six-and-a-half hours, they | ft $. \$ 6,90$ |
| buld you a new | B-day celebratio |
| felt roofing. | Little Miss Judith Arlene |
| refabricated sections trucked to | Ash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. |
| your lot durectly from ther plant | Leon Ash of Lake Charles, was |
| A demonstration home is | olumented by her mother |
| located on Kent street in Lak |  |
| harles and 10 other homes | afternoon in honor of her fifth |
| ready to go on foundations | birthday |
| March 10, accordmg to F Lisle | Games and contests afforded |
| Peters, president of the company |  |
|  | and prizes were won by John |
| oplifter caught | L. Gullory, Janet Ash, Harry |
| A shoplifter who overrated | Brunson and Gaul Ash |
| running ability and stole | In addition to the guests |
| automatic electric iron | ned, those attending the |
| Roebuck stor | party were Jenel Lalanne |
| ,ake Charles was nabbed by | Patricla Brunson, Margle Ash |
| swifter city policemen at | Sammy Jimks, Glenda Ann |
| Broad and Ryan | Eady, Ethan Evans, Barb |
| eets Tuesday mornmg | Remhardt. |


| COMING UP |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Groups can have a meeting notice in the Life section by sending the information, at least one week in advance, to Coming Up, American Press, P O Box 2893, Lake Charles, La 70602 <br> THURSDAY, MARCH 27 <br> American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), Chapter 1432, $12 \cdot 45$ p.m, Piccadilly Cafeteria, Ryan Street, monthly meeting Grover Hanes from 55-LIVE is guest speaker The board of directors meets at 10:45 a.m <br> Amicettes of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., 6 p m., Stork's Nest, 625 S. Lyons St., annual Easter party. VIP Network-Morning Group, 7 a.m., Shoney's Restaurant, Prien Lake Road, weekly meeting The Lunch Group meets at $11 \cdot 30 \mathrm{am}$. at the Jean LaFitte Restaurant. The VIP Network is a group of area business persons that | share leads. For more information, call 478-2638 <br> Calcasieu Forum, 10 a m, Calcasıeu Parısh Central Library, board room, regular meeting Gail Mackey will lead the discussion on chapters 57 of "Walkıng the Tempests" by Eleanor Randolph <br> FRIDAY, MARCH 28 <br> Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), Chapter 276, Sulphur, 9 a.m , Central Baptist Church, 2301 Maplewood, weekly meetıng. <br> SUNDAY, MARCH 30 <br> Malta Commandery 12, Knights Templar, 6 a m., Habibi Shrine Temple, 2928 Pack Road, annual Easter sunrise service. All Sir Knights, families and friends are invited. Sir Knights should wear uniforms without Swords and Chapeau. Breakfast will be served following the ceremony. |
| GORENBRIDGE |  |


|  | West led a spade, and the play |
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| NORTH |  |
|  | ning in hand, declarer cashed the |
| 010763 | ace and king of hearts to learn that |
|  | there was a sure trump loser The |
| Q973 | problem, therefore, was to avoid a |
| WEST EAS | hat |
| 410832 - J9654 | South would have to engineer an |
| OJ854 ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ |  |
| $\bigcirc 976$ | The first step was to cash the |
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| SOUTH | two high spad |
| - AKQ | four rounds of diamonds Since |
| $\bigcirc$ AKQ9 | West could not gan by ruffing the |
| $\bigcirc$ Q1042 | fourth diamond, nor afford to part |
| +A5 | with a club, the defender was forced |
| The biddna | let go a spade That only delayed the mevitable. |
| South west north eas | e. |
| ${ }_{2 *}^{*}$ Pass ${ }^{20}$ Pass | high tr |
| ${ }_{20}^{2 N T} \quad \stackrel{\text { Pass }}{ }$ | away from the king of clu |
| ${ }_{\text {Pass }}^{30}$ Press | er the last two tricks Careful |
| Pass Pass | chnique and a fortunate lie of the |
| Opening lead Two of 4 | ds landed the slam Note that, |
| When a bad trump split occurs, the average declarer reacts with blind panc. It is far better for the nerves to calmly analyze the predicament and see what can be done about it | monds or neglect to draw a third |
|  | to ruff and exts safely, then collect |
|  | the club king at the end for the set- |
|  | ting trick. |
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| The biddung was straightforward |  |
| 23-24 points, North used Stayman | 788-1225 for information. |
| to check for a 4-4 heart fit, then leaped all the way to a small slam |  |
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| once it was located - with 10 highcard points and a singleton, that | ter, P.O. Box 4410, Chicago, III. 60680. |
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Overall winners are DeRose, Galanei
Penny DeRose and Joe Cole were second in fllghts A and $A$ and $B$ winners for the Voltz and Marcella Galanie were Sulphur Dup
on March 17.
Barbara Shelton and Olivia
nird in flights A and B and sec Hudson and Sarah Chapman were third in Flight C .

Campers schedule monthly camp-out
The By U Sams Campers will The chapter plans a fish fry on
hold their March camp-out Friday $\begin{array}{ll}\text { hold their March camp-out Friday, } \\ \text { March 28, to Sunday, March 30, at } & \text { on Saturday. For more informa }\end{array}$ the Jean Lafitte Campground tion, call 439-9256.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the
Easter Drama "I Am The Vine" Presented by the
First United Pentecostal Church of Kinder Rev. T.L. Smith, Pastor
Saturday, March 29, 7:00 PM
Sunday, March 30, 6:30 PM

## Flames erupt from inmate's head during execution by electrocution

STARKE, Fla. (AP) - A con-
demned murderer's black
leather face mask burst into
flames as he was electrocuted
Tuesday, prompting the attorney
general to warn killers to stay
away from Florida "because we
may have a problem with the
electric chair.
The governor said the state
will consider changing its
method of execution after the
grisly death of Pedro Medina, a
Cuban refugee who was put to
death for killing a teacher who
befriended him.
"We've had an occasion of

shaken Gene Morris, spokesman for the Department of Correc-
Medina, 39, had appeared calm, pursing his lips and looking up while he was strapped legged old Sparky," the threenever looked at the witnesses never looked at the witnesses other side of a window.
"Pedro was somewhere else Rev. Glenn Dickson, who spent the night outside Medina's cell "He told
Medina's last words were: "I
am still innocent."
Then the black leather mask
was lowered over his face to con-
ceal his expression from the wit-
nesses, and 2000 volts of electric-
ity were sent through his body.
There was a small flicker on
the right side of the mask and
then orange and blue flames up
to a foot long erupted and burned
for about 10 seconds.
When the witnesses were
removed several minutes later,
the room was still smoky.
Medina did not react obvious-

Library of Congress faces constant struggle to guard books


Kenneth Lopez, the Library of Congress' first director of se
rity, stands watch at the library in Washington Thursday.
there," Lopez said. "The biggest challenge here is trying to strike to these buildings - because it is for protection."
The Library of Congress,
housed in three buildings on housed in three buildings on
Capitol Hull, is home to 17 mullion Capitol Hill, is home to 17 million
books, 48 mullion original manubooks, 48 mullion original manu-
scripts, 44 million maps, 23 mullion tapes, records and audio discs and 13.7 milhon pho-
tographs, films, prints and drawings. In 1978, library staff began an when during the library's 178
lated.
Also in 1992, three men - a
doctor, a government lawyer and doctor, a government lawyer and a book dealer - were convic of stealing from the library. Congressional and public outrage forced Librarian of Con-
gress James H . Billington to gress James H . Billington to
che stacks - even to professionals who do research for Congress, and all but a tenth of
the library staff, who now fetch the library staff, who now fetch
books for others' use in supervised reading rooms. The stacks vised reading closed when the
will reman
Jefferson Building reading Jefferson Building
rooms open to tourists.
"This upset many readers who had enjoyed the privilege of
browsing," sard Billington. "It of this luxury was too great
Since then, security has bee further toghtened.
Visitors' bags are inspected,
and personal items must be left in lockers outside reading room Police patrols of the library's 530 miles of shelves have increased.
New cameras record most hap penings.
And magnetic strips that sound alarms at exits are being placed m millions of books.
Mıssing items are now report-
ed to the FBI, which can help alert antique dealers, booksellers
while step even if it's unclea when thefts occurred, since valu-
ables can remain in circulation ables can
for years.

In 1995, for example, four of poet Walt Whitman's notebooks, showed up at Sotheby's auction house in New York.
Lopez was brought in to con-
solidate the three offices that had been responsible for security. He will ask Congress for $\$ 1.3$ million to keep the library safe in 1998.
He'd like to have $\$ 15$ million
for more staff to watch and for more staff to watch and guard from the start the 7,000 items the library receives each day.
Instead, he'll be introducing risk management" - a neverending review to ensure limited money is spent efficiently to protect aga
losses.
Yet, the nation's most prestigous library has most prestivulnerability, said Roger Stoddard, rare books curator for the Harvard College Library. "They'll probably be subject to theft again in two years or five years," Stoddard said "You're really up against it if you're a
librarian with millions of librarian
ly to the flames, having alread lurched back and balled his
hands into fists when the current hithim.

Dr. Belle Almojera, the med ical examiner, said in an affi davit that he didn't see any evi dence that Medina suffered
find any burns on Medina's head. "In my professional opinion he died a very quick, human death," Almojera said. "I did notice smoke coming from the hood. At no time while there wa smoke did I observe any pain or suffering
inmate."

## Suspect

nabbed
for 'polite' robberies
BETHESDA, Md. (AP) Police captured a suspect Tuesday in the case of the "polit robbers, two men wanted for wealthy Washington suburb.
The men, sald to have British or Australian accents, hav robbed eight homes since January, getting in by usin arage doo openers left in cars or simply walk
unlocked doors.

The masked robbers demand d cash from the homs gunpoint, but harmed no one. Indeed, they left one house the owners could produce just $\$ 6$ in cash. The robbers gave it

Police said no charges had been filed yet against the man arrested Tuesday. They wer still searching for a companio who eluded the

A homeowner whose alarm system was activated by intruders called police just before 6 a.m. A chase ended when the suspects' vehicle stolen - crashed into a tree mile from Burning Tree pants fled on foot One was cap pants fled on foot. One was cap the other on foot, with dog and from helicopters.
One earlier victim described the duo as "polite," and anothe said the men were so nice he felt bad that he did not have more cash on hand.
But Montgomery County police spokeswoman Ann Evan said, "We don't consider them to be gentlemen bandits. We con sider them to be armed rob

## on of the situation

 "When I read the comments made in the Congressiona 1993, it doesn't sound unadvertent to me," said August Helmbright, a tax specialist atHelmbright is recommending that clients file a special IRS form to switch accounting meth-
ods and take advantage of more favorable deprectation rules back to 1994 for enterprise zones. While declining to specify how much money was at stake, Helmbright
big dollars"
fident approach will work won-
ders! ented popular and ambitious certan to win admiration wherever they go. Wise parents will not make the mistake of trying to live vicariously through these youngsters; they would be sure to resent tit Time has a way of eluding these daydreamers Eneirprorties early in life L minute changes or delays can be difficult for these Aries to accep They like to feel in command of




PEOPLE
Columnist on staff
The Duchess of York has The Duchess of York has
still another job lined up: still another job lined up:
newspaper columnist. Still, don't newspaper columisect her todish any dirt on the
royal family. The ex-wife of Britain's Prince Andrew signed a The-year deal with
Thork Times Syndicate. FERGUSON The column, which will reach 2,000 papers worldwide, begins Aprill 15. "She will be focusing on many subjects," her her travels, many subjects, her spokesman, "But this is not a column about the royals."
John Stickney, a syndicate spokesman, said her early submissions were "quite nice,
nicely turned, quite funny We're confident the column wis do well or we wouldn't launch it.'
Heroine in action The last time Trisha Yearwood heard from Francesco The country singer and Maccarrone, an arrline bagga handler, finally met face-to-face six months after she heard him crying for help from the cargo bay as her plane
to leave Seattle.
"Thank God for you, or I'd, Maccarrone sald Monday on the "Prime Time County" show on
The Nashville Network
A supervisor had closed the
baggage compartment not baggage compartment not
realizing Maccarrone was still working there.
We were about to back up from the gate, and I felt
underneath my feet that someon was poundmg and screaming,
said Yearwood She alerted an attendant and Maccarrone, from Tacoma, Wash., was rescued.



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## Judge bows to Congress, lets survivors and relatives watch trial

DENVER (AP) - Bowing to
the wishes of Congress, a judge reversed himself Tuesday and allowed survivors and relatives to watch the Oklahoma City pombing trial even to testify in a penalty phase.
U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch had barred survivors and victims' relatives if they wanted to testify at a possible said under a law signed Thurs-
day by President Clinton, it was day by President Clinton, it was
clear Congress intended those clear Congress intims to be allowed to attend the trial of Timothy McVeigh, which begins next week.
"I'm elated," said Delores Watson, whose grandson, P.J.
the blast. "The more I know
about the trial helps me with the about the trial he
healing process."
Matsch said in his ruling that ny further debate on the issue woy further debate on the issue he can still protect McVeigh's rights by allowing his attorneys to question the victim wimesse outside the presence of a jury.
Prosecutors have already cho sen the victim-impact witnesses
sentencing phase to the trial. Their number is believed to Matsch said his ruling Matsch said his ruling also
extends to those victims and rela extends to those victims and relaon closed-circuit television in Oklahoma City. The historic closed-circuit provision also assed by Congress last year "It's a great deal for the vic-
tims. ... It's really a load off those tims. ... It's really a load off those
who had given up the opportunity to testify so he
pretrial hearings.
His wife, Lee, was among the 168 people killed April 19, 1995, when a truck bomb ripped through the Oklahoma City federal building. More than 500 othss were injured
Matsch had barred the victimWitnesses from his courtroom mony might be tainted by watch-
ing the trial. An appeal failed, so victims'
Congress
The Senate and House passed the bill last week, and Clinton's signature effectively overturne Matsch's ruling.
Marsha Kight, whose daugh ter, Frankie, was killed in the
blast, helped lobby Congress for the change. "I'm thrilled," she said. "It

## Feuding neighbor dismembered; suspect hangs self

PITTSBURGH (AP) - A Kirk's house. They found Kirk woman who feuded with her and put him in the van, then dis-
next-door neighbor over his
covered Ms. Hoover's dismem-next-door neighbor over his dilapidated house was found disment Tuesday. Her neighbor hanged himself with his belt in a police van.
Police were called to the home of Ann Hoover when she didn't show up at a hearing for Roy Kirk, who was appealing fines
for the vacant, condemned row house he owned next to Ms Hoover's home.
When they couldn't find her, a
covered Ms. Hoover's dism Ms. Hoover's limbs had been severed and wrapped, apparently cut across the middle, said coroner Cyril Wecht. She might have been strangled first with an extension cor
neck, he said.

Kirk was shackled and his hands were cuffed behind his aged to remove his belt, loop it
himself during the 12 -minute ride to the police station, said Officers were unable to revive him.

Here was a man that was bent on taking his own life," Freeman said. "Unfortunately, he was able to do something tha
he wanted to do." wanted to do
When he was brought out of the house, Kirk was barefoot and unkempt hair, said neighbor Ruth Liptak.
"He kept screaming, 'Just kıl

Ms. Liptak said.
Ms. Hoover, 44, a piano teachsince last summer, sadd neighbor Maria Burgwin. Kirk was renovating the house and Ms. Hoover believed the work was causing her roof to leak, Ms. Burgwin sai A city official said Kirk had $\$ 8,000$ in fines levied against him
for debris inside and outside the house and for removing the roof The building was condemned and the city planned to demolish it, said Dom CImino, chief of the city's Bureau of Building Inspec-

resido rescue heath care, taking baby steps toward a fix cracking down on Medıcare and Medicald cheats and naming a commission to track the quality He was also expected to support the National Cancer Advisory Board's recommenda-
tions on mammography that are due later this week
In outlining his new ant Clinton spoke of health care reform in terms of increments and recalled last year's law guar-
anteeing health insurance to people who change jobs.
"Today we are taking the next
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the poor and elderly "amounts to the poor and elderly "amounts to
$a$ fraud tax that falls on all our taxpayers, but most heavily upon our senior citizens," Clinton told
a Roosevelt Room audience of a Roosevelt Room aud Engineer blamed for deadly train collision WASHINGTON (AP) - A dia-
betic engineer who hid an eye disease that made it hard to tell colors ran a red light and caused the 1996 crash of two New Jersey commuter trains that killed him and two others, a fed
Engneer John DeCurtis could not tell he was running a stop

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motorists take driving for grantd. But what farthrtis someday prevents you from turning then't reach the parking brake because f a knee imjury?
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Nearly every automaker has Nearly every automaker has
consulted with elderly and disabled poople in the proce
desıgning new vehicles. General Motors has gone a step further It has a team o abled people working with
designers and engineers to make designers and engmeers to make operate-usually in ways ablePaul Ulrich, a 61-year-old GM engineer who survived childhair heads the automaker's Paragon Project team. He said aging baby boomers will insist on cars and trucks that take thei diminished hearing, vision and physical abilities into considera
"Baby boomers are not accusomed to being inconvenienced,' he sall." "They're not going to age

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adults The difference is, however,
that the same standards of care that
apply to an adult cannot be applied to $a$ minor. This is because children cannot understand implied risks in
the way adults can. The law, therefore, apples different standards to different age groups when making a decision as to whether minors are to be held liable for injuries they
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astbound NJ Transit train just before a stop signal on Feb. 9 , Transit tram, killing DeCurtis, the other tram's engmeer and a assenger.
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"It became more difficult for the engneer to distinguish red from yellow signal lights,"
GM to make its cars more accommodating
they are too young to understand that they have been careless. Once children are old enough to know ight from wrong, they can be held responsible for intentional injurie that they cause
HINT Children above the age of seven are generally held liable for negligent conduct if they did no behave as carefully as other children of the same age would under 615 Clarence St
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Former President George Bush gets a hug from his wife Barbara after he made a successful parachute jump at th

Bush: The parachuting president
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