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Housing Bolton residents say no to compact/3

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Schaller's Quality Pre-owned Auto Value Priced. 83 Olds Cutler, 84 Chevy, 85 Ford Tempo, 86 Chevy, 87 Mercury, 88 Honda, 89 Chevy, 90 Chevy.

U.S. tries to oust Noriega

Bolton may take pupils from EH By Dianna M. Tabot Manchester Herald

BOLTON - Superintendent of Schools Richard E. Packman unveiled a proposal Tuesday that would allow student exchanges between East Hartford High School and Bolton High School.

ANNOUNCES ACTION - President Bush addresses the nation on television this morning on his decision to deploy American troops to Panama...

American diplomat predicts havoc until Noriega captured

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following dispatch is from a report filed by reporters Steve Komarow of The Associated Press, Robert Kearns of Reuters and Dick Thompson of Time magazine...

PORT CLAYTON, Panama (AP) - John Bushnell, the highest-ranking U.S. official in Panama, said today that there will be fear among Panamanians until Gen. Manuel Noriega is captured or otherwise removed from the scene.

Today Index Classifieds, 24 pages, 2 sections. 23-24, 21, 20, 13-14, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 15, 22, 2, 10, 16-19, 21

Reports of Romanian deaths climb

By Alison Smale The Associated Press VIENNA, Austria - A Romanian city where witnesses say security forces slaughtered hundreds of anti-government protesters is now described as an armed camp...

Security forces opened fire without warning that evening and shot were fired indiscriminately. Security forces used them as shields, assuming security forces would hold their fire.

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President explains decision WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush told the American people today that he sent American forces into a surprise overnight assault in Panama to end a "dark chapter of dictatorship" by Manuel Antonio Noriega...

Scores are dead Some Americans reported hostages

By Eloy A. Aguilar The Associated Press PANAMA CITY, Panama - American troops backed by fighter jets and waves of U.S.-based reinforcements attacked Panamanian army bases today in a bid to capture Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega and break his defiant grip on power.

A man identified only as Major Caballero said on National Radio that "40 Americans have been detained," but that figure could not be confirmed.

Opposition leader Guillermo Endara, winner of May elections, said Noriega-controlled government nullified, was sworn in as president and given a 30-day mandate.

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About Town

Christmas dance planned

The Manchester V.F.W. Post 2046, located at 608 E. Center St., is having a Country Western Christmas Dance on Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. "Lucky Look and Deuces Wild" will play. It is open to the public, and costs \$3 per person.

Legion party announced

There will be a New Year's Eve Party at the American Legion Hall at 20 American Legion Drive. The grand buffet dinner will start at 6 p.m., with dancing to follow. Hats and favors are provided. There will be a champagne toast at midnight and an open bar. The cost is \$60 per couple. Reservations can be made at the hall or by calling 646-7961.

School has openings

The WYCA Nursery School has openings in its afternoon class starting Jan. 3. The class will meet each Wednesday and Thursday from 12:30 to 3 p.m. For more information, contact the WYCA Nursery Branch office at 647-1437.

Overeaters group to meet

A support group for the family and friends of compulsive overeaters will meet at 7 p.m. on Friday night at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Ask at the information desk for the meeting room.

Seeding orders taken

The Tolland County Soil and Water Conservation District's shrub and tree seeding sales program for 1990 is underway. Available varieties include Hemlock, White Spruce, Fraser Fir, White Pine, Norway Spruce, White Spruce, Fraser Fir, White Birch, Douglas Fir, Mugho Pine, American Chestnut, Highbush Cranberry, Blue Spruce, Blueberry, Rhododendron and Myrtle. Deadline for ordering is March 30. Pickup days are Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21. For more information, call 975-8725.

Christmas party tonight

The Delta Chapter RAM will hold its annual Christmas Party tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 25 Center St. All members and their families are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Pinchle scores announced

Results of the Pinchle game held December 14 at the Army and Navy Club are: Ada Rojas, 668; John Puzgic, 662; Jessie Dailey, 644; Bud Paquin, 625; Andrea Mohr, 610; Elenora Moran, 597; Rene Maire, 585; Ethel Krozell, 593; Edward Royce, 585; Fred Gleim, 583; Doris Siebich, 577; Hans Fredericke, 569; Mary Twoonleby, 564; John O'Neill and Dominic Anastasio, both 563; Helena Gavello and Ruth Baker, both 562; and Vivian Laquerre, 557.

Military Notes

Graduates at Lackland

Airman Charles E. Isleb Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Isleb of 145 Branford St., has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Completes basic training

Air Force Reserve Airman Kelly A. Chaves, daughter of John and Sharon A. Chaves of 163 Naham Hale Road, Coventry, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Lottery

Here are Tuesday's lottery results from around New England:
CONNECTICUT
Daily: 7-1-7, Play Four: 9-0-8-3, Lotto: 10-14-15-20-22-37.
MASSACHUSETTS
Daily: 3-6-1-0.
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND
New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine daily: 4-8-9 and 3-5-2-1.
RHODE ISLAND
Daily: 8-6-5-4, Lot-O-Bucks: 13-30-31-37-39.

Weather

REGIONAL Weather

Thursday, December 21
Area Weather Forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures:
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Rhode Island: [Map icon] [Sun/Cloud icon] 12°
Maine: [Map icon] [Sun/Cloud icon] 12°
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Weather

Cold tonight

Tonight, partly cloudy and cold. Low 5 to 10. Wind northwest 10 to 15 mph. Thursday, mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of flurries. High around 15. Outlook Friday, sunny but very cold with a high of 15.

Weather summary for Tuesday:

Temperature: high of 25, low of 3, mean of 14.
Precipitation: 0.00 inches for the day, 0.71 inches for the month, 53.83 inches for the year.
Temperature extremes for today:
Highest on record, 61, set in 1957.
Lowest on record, minus 10, set in 1942.

Today's weather picture was drawn by Jason Lieske, a fourth-grader at Washington School.



TOYS FOR MACC — Manchester Police Officer Jon Hawthorne, left, and Sgt. Jerry Calve deliver toys for needy children to Nancy Carr, executive director of the Manchester Area Conference of Churches. The toys were donated by police union 1495 on Monday.

Obituaries

Simone A. Bauby

Simone A. Bauby, 74, of the South section of Mansfield, died Tuesday (Dec. 19, 1989) at Windham Community Memorial Hospital. She was the mother of Joy Desautel of Coventry.
She is also survived by two other daughters, Penny Lou Olson of Ellington and Sheryl Bauby of Granby; three sisters, Jeannette Dorey of Burlington, Vt., Florence Kelleher of Brockton, Mass., and Doris Serabe of Lewiston, Maine; and three grandchildren.
A memorial Mass will be Friday at 12:30 p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel, North Eagleville Road, Storrs. There are no calling hours.
Memorial donations may be made to the Eagleville Volunteer Fire Department.
The Peter Funeral Home, Wilimantic, is in charge of arrangements.

Gerard Blouin

Gerard Blouin, 70, of Tolland, husband of Cecile (Bouchard) Blouin, died Tuesday (Dec. 19, 1989) at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the brother of Rosaire Blouin of Coventry.
He is also survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Genevieve and Raymond Jordan of Vernon, and Francine Blouin-Hibbert and David Hibbert of South Windsor; two other brothers, Gerard Blouin of Plainville, and Jean Paul Blouin in Canada; a sister, Lucienne Castonguay in Canada; and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, Guy R. Blouin.
The funeral will be Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Burke-Berlin Funeral Home, 76 Prospect St., in the Rockville section of Vernon, followed by a Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. Matthew's Church, Tolland. Burial will be in South Cemetery. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.
Memorial donations may be made to Manchester Memorial Hospital, 71 Hayes St.

Stuart E. Kittredge

Stuart E. Kittredge, 84, of Newington, died Monday (Dec. 18, 1989) after a long illness. He was the father of Lorraine K. Rogers of Bolton.
He was a member of the

Lois Darling

NEW LONDON (AP) — Lois MacIntyre Darling, an internationally known artist, author and conservationist, has died of leukemia at the age of 72.
Darling, who lived in Old Lyme, died Tuesday at Lawrence and Memorial Hospital.
Darling and her husband, Louis Darling, wrote and illustrated nine books about natural history before Louis Darling died in 1970. Their works, designed to give the average person a working knowledge of the natural sciences, included "The Science of Life," a high school biology textbook; "Bird," a reference book for adults on ornithology; "The Sea Serpents Around Us," a children's book; and "A Place in the Sun: Ecology and the Living World," a basic study of ecology.
Their other books were "Before and After Dinosaurs," "Sixty Million Years of Horses," "Turtles," "Corals Reefs" and "Worms."
The Darlings also did illustrations for Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring" as well as illustrations for Time-Life and other publications.

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Police Roundup

Man faces drug charges

The Tri-town Narcotics Task Force arrested a 37-year-old East Hartford man on drug charges Tuesday evening in the parking lot of Roy Rogers, 262 Spencer St., police said.

Milton Earlington was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to sell and possession of marijuana after he tried to sell marijuana to two Manchester residents who were parked in a vehicle in the parking lot, police said.

Acting on a tip from a confidential informant, members of the task force set up a surveillance of the parking lot, and at about 6:50 p.m., noticed a man and a woman park in a blue car behind the restaurant, police said. A few minutes later, police observed Earlington park a Toyota pickup truck in a nearby parking lot at the Bonanza restaurant, 240 Spencer St., police said.

Man faces trespassing charge

A 35-year-old Manchester man was arrested Tuesday night and charged with criminal trespassing and disorderly conduct after he visited the Inland Road residence of a former girlfriend without an invitation, police said.
Michael J. Shesnie, of 54 Tack Road, was held on a \$250 bond and is scheduled to appear Jan. 3 in Manchester Superior Court, police said.
The woman, who complained to police that Shesnie has visited her home several times in the past and is no longer welcome, said she dated Shesnie last year and then told him that she no longer wanted to see him, police said.

Public Meetings

Manchester

Commission for Disabled, Senior Center, 7:30 p.m.

Bolton

Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands, Herrick Park, 7:30 p.m.
Zoning Commission, Community Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Planning Commission, Community Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Coventry

Conservation Commission, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.
Veteran's Memorial Commission, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.
Parks and Recreation Commission, Patriots Park Lodge, 7:30 p.m.
School Building Committee, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m.

Thoughts

There are five more days until Christmas. This year share God's gift of peace. Life has its share of unsettling moments. Our hearts often find themselves troubled.
We need to allow ourselves the luxury of serenity, the time to heal our physical and emotional wounds. Time is a good healer. Time can help you find the peace we long for. May we place ourselves in God's calming hands.
May we help others to restore their shattered lives. The well-known Serenity Prayer has helped many people to find the peace only God can offer us: "O Lord, give me the strength to change what I can change, to accept what I cannot change, and the wisdom to know the difference." Peace is God's gift to us. This year share the gift of peace.

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Bids due today on road work

The state Department of Transportation will open bids at 2 p.m. today on the reconstruction of Charter Oak and Highland streets near their intersections with Gardner Street and Autumn Street.

The project is the last of seven Manchester road projects being done under the DOT's Urban Systems Program. Bids have been received for the others and all are expected to be done in the spring.

The work for which bids are being taken today involves moving a section of Charter Oak and Highland streets north about 10 feet. One result will be improving the sight line from Gardner Street, one where the brook crosses Autumn Street and one where it crosses Charter Oak Street. Water lines and sanitary sewer lines will be relocated.

The bid opening will be held in the cafeteria of the Transportation Department Administrative Building, 24 Wolcott Hill Road, West Hartford.

William Canocci, Manchester's director of engineering services, said Tuesday he expects a large number of bidders for the project. He said the construction cost estimate is about \$2.8 million with about \$600,000 of in water and sanitary sewer work. The town's share of the construction cost is expected to be about \$300,000.

VITAMINS FOR HAITI

Michelle Conover, left, Stephanie Reichford, and Patricia Cafarella, members of the St. Bridget School Student Council, wrap vitamins to be sent to children in Haiti for Christmas. The school is collecting money to purchase vitamins through the "Dimes to Dollars" project.

Town denies store permit

The town Building Department has denied Steiger's department store an occupancy permit that would have allowed employees to begin moving stock into the store at the mall in Buckland on Dec. 22, according to Leo Belval, chief building inspector.

Donald Weber, vice-president in charge of store planning for Steiger's, said he was not aware the permit had been denied. But he said a denial would not be significant and that the store would still open on March 1, Mark Highway, a representative from Dimco Construction Co., which is building Steiger's, could not be reached for comment.

Belval said the permit was denied because a substantial amount of work remains to be done on the store before it is safe for the employees to come in. Several mechanical systems are not ready yet, Belval said, including the electrical system of the store.



VITAMINS FOR HAITI — Michelle Conover, left, Stephanie Reichford, and Patricia Cafarella, members of the St. Bridget School Student Council, wrap vitamins to be sent to children in Haiti for Christmas. The school is collecting money to purchase vitamins through the "Dimes to Dollars" project.

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Bolton rejects involvement in fair housing compact

By Dianna M. Talbot
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — A scant turnout of residents at a Special Town Meeting Tuesday rejected involvement in a compact to increase affordable housing, making the town the third one in the region to reject the plan.

About 20 residents, representing about 1 percent of the town's 2,000 eligible voters, also agreed to create a Housing Authority and Inland Wetlands Commission.

The action by the voters came before the Board of Selectmen rejected the compact and approved the Inland Wetlands Commission in a subsequent meeting.

Residents decided 13 to 1 against joining the Capitol Region Fair Housing Compact on Affordable Housing, which called for the town to see that 39 to 44 units of affordable housing are built within the town over a five-year period. Some residents refrained from voting.

Twenty-nine towns have been asked to join the compact but Windsor and Somers have already declined.

The compact was rejected because many people thought the number of required units was too high, according to First Selectman Robert R. Morra.

"We felt that the guidelines were unrealistic and having nothing to do with the town's commitment to affordable housing," Morra said.

The town cannot realistically expect to see 39 to 44 units of affordable housing developed within five years because its housing development industry is in a slump right now and a nine-month moratorium has been placed on all development within the town while certain development regulations are rewritten, Morra said.

"We will pursue affordable housing with the dollars we have," he continued, meaning that in its decision, the town opted to forego inclusion in a \$5 million state rebate to be split among towns which participated in the compact.

Residents and board members acknowledged that there was no way of knowing if any or how much of that money Bolton would receive.

By creating the authority, "I think we have put the word out that we recognize there is a problem, and that we have chosen this avenue to address it."

The town will advertise and post notice within 30 days that it is seeking an executive director and five commissioners to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, he said.

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LOCAL & STATE

Vietnam veterans welcome at home

ROCKY HILL (AP) — The state Veterans Home and Hospital, criticized in recent years as insensitive to the needs of Vietnam-era veterans, plans to start recruiting homeless Vietnam veterans from across the state to fill some of its empty beds.

Robert Getman, executive director of the veterans home, said the home currently houses about 300 veterans, mostly from World War II. It has 100 empty beds, and is looking for Vietnam veterans to fill them, he said.

"We decided we're tired of hearing people criticize us for this and we're going to reach out," Getman said. He said the home plans to seek out homeless veterans across the state by visiting shelters that have been identified as likely stops for veterans and by inviting shelter directors to a meeting in January to tell them of the home's facilities.

The home has already taken in five of an estimated 750 Vietnam veterans who use shelters in Hartford and plans to accept more homeless veterans, Getman said. Vietnam veterans' advocates welcomed the invitation, but maintained that worthless to many veterans who need drug treatment and psychiatric counseling not offered at the hospital.

"We're elated," said James S. Tackett, service representative in Connecticut for the Vietnam Veterans of America. "However, you just can't take homeless Vietnam veterans off the street and put them into a facility that for years has had a philosophy of warehousing."

Social workers from the home visited two Hartford shelters earlier this month and offered housing to homeless veterans, provided the veterans were capable of caring for themselves at the veterans' home.

Brian Baker, director of the South Park Inn, a Hartford homeless shelter, said none of the homeless Vietnam veterans who have passed through the shelter this year accepted offers to go to the Rocky Hill hospital.

Baker said heroin-addicted veterans avoid the Rocky Hill home because it does not offer methadone treatment and provides no transportation to methadone clinics in Hartford.

Getman said he is working with other state agencies to arrange transportation to a state-run methadone clinic for heroin-addicted veterans.

"What we are doing is trying to coordinate the services of other state facilities," he said. "We're not convinced we need to do all those things here."

Getman said veterans who have serious drug problems can live at the home, provided they agree to enter a 14-day intensive care program, followed by a longer drug rehabilitation program. But veterans who need a "hospital level of care" for either drug addiction or mental health, are not likely to be accepted to the home, he said.

"If someone who was a heavy psychiatric case wanted to apply, we probably wouldn't take him," Getman said.



Patrick Flynn/MediaSource Herald

MEALS ON WHEELS — William Legault, vice president of the Savings Bank of Manchester, presents Elizabeth Kyle of 99 Autumn St. with a gift of "Paper Whites" (Narcissus bulbs) Tuesday to conclude a Paper Whites & Amariys sale to benefit Visiting Nurse and Home Care of Manchester. The bank donated "Paper Whites" to 75 Meals On Wheels recipients. The sale began Dec. 4 and recently concluded with all bulbs sold.

Security increased at courthouses

BRIDGEPORT (AP) — Federal officials say they have beefed up security in Connecticut's three U.S. courthouses in the wake of the letter-bomb assassination of a federal appellate court judge in Alabama and the discovery of another such bomb in the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta.

"What we're worried about is that someone might get the idea to do something based on what's been happening in the South," said U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy Jr., federal officers to X-ray all incoming packages and briefcases. In addition, people entering each courthouse are required to walk through a metal detector, he said.

By Tuesday morning, Mangini had taken those measures a step further. All incoming mail to the courthouse was being put through the machines, he said.

"We're looking for anything suspicious — like a cylinder or a clock," said Deputy Marshal Wayne LaBelle, the supervisor at the Bridgeport courthouse.

In Brief . . .

Christmas meal is slated

A free Christmas Day dinner will be served at Neill Hall of Saint Mary's Episcopal Church, chiefly for people who cannot afford the food for a holiday dinner, or who cannot cook it, according to Andrew Smith, rector of St. Mary's.

Others are welcome to come, he said. The dinner is sponsored by the Manchester Area Conference of Churches, which also sponsored a Thanksgiving Day dinner at St. James School.

About 150 people attended that dinner. The Christmas meal of turkey with the traditional fixings will be served at noon. Volunteer drivers will drive people to the Neill Hall at Park and Church streets for the dinner. People with physical disabilities should make arrangements in advance for transportation.

For information about transportation or the dinner, people may call the Human Needs Department of MAACC at 649-2115, the main MAACC number, 649-2093 or the office of Saint Mary's Church, 649-4583.

Peace baskets sold

CHESTER — Araby Catering, co-owned by Manchester native Laine Dyer with Nicola Shirley, has created "World Peace Baskets," custom made to the traditions of various countries around the world.

Each basket has the theme of a separate country and is topped with a world globe encircled by red satin ribbon with "Peace on Earth" printed in gold. Seven percent of the profits from each basket will go to promote world peace.

So far, the countries that are in the highest demand are Germany, the Soviet Union, Poland and China, all tied for first place. Anyone interested in ordering a basket can call 526-1099. Baskets range in price from \$25 to \$1,000.

Andover library gets grant

The Connecticut State Library Board has given out 24 grants totaling \$135,095 under the federal Library Services and Construction Act program. The Andover Public Library received a \$3,000 grant for Children's Services, according to information from the state library board.

MHS teacher is excellent

Earl L. Carlyon, a physics teacher at Manchester High School, was one of 13 high school teachers honored at The University of Connecticut Alumni Association's eighth annual "Excellence in High School Teaching" awards ceremony.

The teachers were selected by their schools for the award. Carlyon joined the faculty of MHS in February 1986. He received his bachelor of science degree from Louisiana Polytechnical Institute and his master's degree in physics from Cornell University.

Pedestrian killed

BRANFORD (AP) — A 15-year-old Branford boy was struck by a car and killed Tuesday night as he walked on Short Beach Road with his brother, police said.

Kevin Russell was hit about 5 p.m. and was transported to Yale-New Haven Hospital, where he died, police officer Ray Dunbar said.

Dunbar said police were looking for the driver of the car that struck Russell.

Russell's brother was not injured, Dunbar said.

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Business Briefs

Former resident authors book

Richard H. Blow Sr., a former Manchester resident, has finished a book titled "Barre, A Time to Grow, 1922-1938." The book, a two-year effort, is a chronicle of life as he perceived it during the Depression. As one of nine brothers, he tells the story of life in a small city, which is known as the "Granite Center of the World" as it relates to life experiences that he shared. The book of approximately 200 pages cost \$13.50 plus tax.

Leighton promoted at bank

Barbara A. Leighton of Manchester has been promoted to business analysis officer in Connecticut National Bank's Financial Division. Leighton, a 1981 graduate of the University of Hartford, joined the bank in 1983 as a senior analyst.

Snyder named manager

Craig B. Snyder has been named product sales manager for Economy Electric Supply Inc., the largest independent electrical distributor in New England. Snyder, who has been involved in the voice and data marketplace since 1980, will be the first to fill the position that has just been created.

Boryczki promoted at bank

John J. Boryczki, of Manchester, has been promoted to assistant vice president at The Connecticut Bank and Trust Co. Boryczki, who joined the bank in 1972, is now responsible for servicing corporate clients of stock transfer. He has taken various banking courses at the American Institute of Banking.

CBT promotes Schaefer

Holly A. Schaefer, of South Windsor, has been promoted to assistant vice president at The Connecticut Bank and Trust Co. Schaefer, who joined the bank in 1981, is now responsible for managing the non-exempt hiring functions for CBT. She holds a bachelor of science degree in physical education from Southern Connecticut State University.

Bank promotes Sweet

Dorothy Sweet, of Manchester, has been promoted to assistant vice president at The Connecticut Bank and Trust Co. Sweet, who joined the bank in 1979, now oversees the balancing of the corporation customer demand deposit accounts, dividend and internal accounts, Old Colony corporate customer operations, Old Colony stop payments, Inter-Office accounting. She has taken various American Institute of Banking and CBT-sponsored courses.

Pilver promoted at bank

Nancy K. Pilver, of Manchester, has been promoted to assistant treasurer at The Connecticut Bank and Trust Co. Pilver, who joined the bank in 1985, is now responsible for the updating and distribution of the CBT organization chart design and facilitation of human resources development workshops, the development and control of internal and external education and the planning and control of the human resources development department budget. She has attended Manchester Community College and Norwich Community College and has taken various banking courses.

J.C. Penney wins drive award

J.C. Penney in Manchester has received the first place award from the American Red Cross Blood Services for outstanding blood drive sponsors. The company has been honored for an increase in employee participation of 20 percent.

King wins contest

Marie King, owner of Pevs Fruit Stand on Oakland Street, has recently won a get-away trip from the Manchester Sir Speedy Printing Center. King also won a carry-on bag to take on her trip. The Get Away in Style contest was a national promotion sponsored by Sir Speedy headquarters.

Gately completes requirements

Joseph F. Gately, of 90 Cider Mill Road, Bolton, has successfully completed the Annual Continuing Education Requirement of the Society of Certified Insurance Counselors. The training was conducted in Austin, Texas.

Gately, an examiner in the state Insurance Department, attended five institutes covering all phases of the insurance business and passed the rigorous examinations to earn his certification. Additionally, the National Society requires annual attendance in a program to maintain the certification. Gately, a 30-year veteran of the insurance industry, has been certified since 1978.

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Suit seeks protection for neglected children

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD— Seeking "a chance at a decent childhood" for abused and neglected children in state custody, the Connecticut Civil Liberties Union is suing the Department of Children and Youth Services for allegedly neglecting those children.

The suit was filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Hartford by the CCLU on behalf of nine children in DCYS custody, charging that the state has failed to meet federal requirements to protect, care for and provide appropriate placements for children who have been abandoned and maltreated by their parents.

The DCYS commissioner said the state was doing the best it could under difficult financial circumstances. A spokesman for the governor said DCYS funding has gone from \$75 million to \$144 million over the past five years.

CCLU staff attorney Shelley Geballe said the suit seeks to hold the state of Connecticut accountable to the promises it has made and broken to its most vulnerable children.

"We don't seek monetary damages; rather, it seeks to force the state to adequately fund DCYS so that proper care can be given by DCYS' own accounting," she said. "60 percent of all complaints are never investigated."

The suit also alleges that the first, ninth and fourteenth amendments to the U.S. Constitution are being violated because the state is not ensuring the safety, security and well-being of all children under its care and is violating the rights of children by not conducting prompt investigations of all complaints of abuse, neglect or mistreatment.

The suit, Geballe said, "is a statement that the state itself is being a neglectful parent to the thousands of children in its care."

She and CCLU Executive Director William Olds said they hoped the issues could be settled through out-of-court negotiations, rather than dragging it out for years in court.

DCYS Commissioner Amy B. Wheaton, a defendant in the suit along with Gov. William O'Neill, said she had not seen the suit and could not comment directly on it.

But she said the state is "doing everything it can to respond effectively to the needs of children in this state" and that she is "acutely aware that children in this state and every other state in the nation are in trouble."

She said poverty, violence and substance abuse are "taking a heavy toll on our children." Despite high caseloads for staffers, "our protective services staff work hard every day to protect children and to be a positive influence in their lives."

Still, the commissioner acknowledged, much remains to be done.

Nancy Orsi, president of the Connecticut Family Coalition and the Professional Foster Care Association of Connecticut, said that if a society is judged by the way it treats its most vulnerable children, "Connecticut would not fare well."

She said children are being admitted to hospitals because of a scarcity of foster homes.

Olds called the suit extraordinary because many of the agencies supporting the suit get at least some of their money from DCYS.

"In the state with the highest per-capita income in the country, children are placed in foster homes in which foster parents do not receive enough money to feed, clothe or house them," said Marcia Robinson Lowry, director of the Children's Rights Project of the American Civil Liberties Union. "Complaints are failed to protect the most basic rights of the children for whom it has legal custody and legal responsibility."

The suit seeks to give children "a chance at a decent childhood," she said, adding that she doesn't expect the court to accept any argument from the state that it doesn't have enough money to provide the level of service the suit seeks.

She also said the state would not be able to blame cutbacks in federal funding for the problems.

"We're not looking for an ideal system here, we're looking for a system that is going to follow the law and provide decent and humane treatment for children," said Geballe.

"We don't expect it all to happen by January first, but the state has got to get started." "It's gotten reports over the years documenting the many, many failings of the system and has failed to act on most of them," she said.

Ex-HUD official, firm accused of racketeering

NEW HAVEN (AP)— A former federal housing official and the president of a housing management firm tried to force two developers to abandon a 160-apartment rehabilitation project in Hartford so the city's largest owner of public subsidized housing could take it over, a lawsuit alleges.

The civil lawsuit accuses the former Housing and Urban Development official, the management firm and others of conspiring to commit fraud and extortion to carry out the alleged scheme, in violation of the U.S. Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act.

The lawsuit alleges HUD's Hartford office was part of the alleged racketeering enterprise, but does not name the agency as a defendant.

Keneth F. McCallion, a New York attorney and former federal prosecutor who is representing the two developers, said Tuesday he could find no other cases in which a federal agency has been accused of being part of a racketeering enterprise.

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The defendants allegedly gave the developers false information about the financing available for the Winter Green/Elmer housing project in Hartford's north end and about the structural soundness of the three-story apartment buildings making up the project, according to the suit filed Monday in U.S. District Court in New Haven.

Bolton accepts grant for recycling program

By Dianna M. Talbot
Manchester Herald

BOLTON— The town will use a \$24,600 state grant to help offset the cost of implementing a \$30,000 recycling program.

About 20 voters at a Special Town Meeting Tuesday night approved the grant to purchase about 2,000 recycling bins and distribute them to town residents in the future.

The grant also will be used to operate the recycling program and promote recycling within the town.

The town expects to eventually save money after it starts up the program, according to First Selectman Robert R. Morra, a Republican.

"It will lower our cost of getting rid of our disposable trash," Morra said.

Presently, the town pays \$83 per ton to incinerate trash at the Win-dham Energy Recovery Facility, Morra said. The town hopes that recycling will reduce its annual incinerated trash tonnage by at least 28 percent, he said.

In the recycling program, the town will provide outside collection of recyclable items on the same day as regular trash pick-up.

Each household will receive one 14-gallon plastic bin for its recyclable items, which include newspaper, cardboard and metal.

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New-found fame keeps Casolo busy

THOMASTOWN (AP)— Last week Jennifer Casolo was inside a Salvadoran prison cell, accused of hiding weapons for leftist rebels. Today she is back in her hometown of Thomaston, talking to the media, considering movie and book offers and being offered lunch with a U.S. senator.

Some day she hopes to live a simple, humble life—possibly as a nun—and she wants to return to El Salvador, even if it means dying.

But first, she must prepare for another interview, another press conference, testifying before Congress and a 10-city speaking tour.

Tuesday was a busy day for the 28-year-old church worker who was freed last week after nearly 18 days in the custody of Salvadoran authorities.

She began the day with The Hartford Courant; the Boston Globe came next; a telephone interview was scheduled from Mexico; she held a press conference that night and then spoke at a prayer service in a simple white Congregational church near the center of her hometown.

"Simplicity and humility are the two values I cherish in El Salvador," Casolo told The Courant, admitting that those values may be hard to preserve now.

"That's what's saddest," she said. "The challenge for me is: How can I live those values and face this responsibility at the same time? How do I deal with all those people who want a piece of Jennifer?"

"I want to lay my life in one person's hands and say, 'Take care of me.' But I realize that I can't do that. So I am going to have to learn to make decisions, learn to say no."

Casolo is relying on former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark, who requested her in El Salvador for guidance in weighing movie and book offers.

"Apparently there are five to 10 offers of books, movies, television movies," she said. "I haven't even looked at them. I'm waiting for someone to tell me who has integrity, who would be faithful to the Salvadorans. And then I will take some time to reflect and say, 'Is it really worth it?'"

If money were to be made from the movie or book offers, she would use some of it to ensure that her mother does not go without in her old age. The rest would go to relief work in El Salvador and a minimal wage for herself, she said.

Casolo is scheduled to testify in Congress next month. She also is to have lunch with U.S. Sen. Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., who used his friendship with Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani to help arrange her release.

She wants to tell Dodd that Cristiani may be a good man, but he does not control the government in El Salvador, which is propped up by nearly \$1.4 million in American aid every day.

"I look at what the cost of military aid has been on the civilian population, because that is what I have been witness to: from the way police aid is used to torture people into confessing to crimes that they never committed, to the way the bullets are spent strafing the population," she said.

Casolo worked in El Salvador for Christian Education Seminars, a Texas-based religious group that hoped to influence U.S. policy by taking Americans, including members of Congress, on tours of El Salvador.

Casolo maintained her innocence Tuesday, but she acknowledged that her sympathies are not with Cristiani government. She also said she was not a dispassionate observer.

As the fighting intensified, Casolo said she buried some personal belongings, including a cassette of popular music and copies of proposals she had translated for peasant groups seeking money for clinics from U.S. sources, in her garden. The belongings could have been considered subversive by the government.

Kaman contracts worth \$65 million

BLOOMFIELD (AP)— Kaman Aerospace Corp. announced it has received five years' worth of contracts from the Boeing Co. worth a total of \$65 million.

The company, which is the sole supplier of wing assemblies for Boeing's 767 wide-body aircraft, said Tuesday it had received orders for additional 767 wing assemblies as well as a contract to produce parts for all Boeing aircraft.

The 767 wing assemblies will be made at Kaman's Mossop, Conn., plant. An array of parts and small assemblies for all Boeing aircraft will be made at the Mossop plant and at Kaman's Jacksonville, Fla., plant.



WINNING DOOR — Marcie and John LaBelle Jr., 146 Porter St., show off their door that came in first place in the Christmas Decorate Your Door contest sponsored by Jackson & Jackson Real Estate. First prize was a \$100 gift certificate from Victoria Ashley. Second prize was won by Julie and Rob Mullen of 32 Victoria Road. They won a \$50 gift certificate from Casolo's. Third prize was a tie between Cecelia and Douglas Talt of 174 N. Elm St. and Fran and Frank Fogarty of 66 Wellman Road. They won \$40 gift certificates from Brown's Flowers.

Asherman is back in jail

Refusal to take psychological exam ends freedom

By Peter Vilas
The Associated Press

HARTFORD— Convicted killer Steven Asherman is back in jail after a second, brief period of freedom that ended when the state Supreme Court refused to rehear his case.

Correction Department spokesman William Flower said Asherman, accompanied by his parole officer, entered the Hartford Correctional Center at about 4:30 p.m. Tuesday. Asherman had been held at the medium-security jail prior to his release in May, Flower said.

The high court ruled Nov. 27 that Asherman had violated the terms of the state's supervised home release program by refusing to submit to a full psychological examination, a decision that meant he had to return to prison.

Asherman's lawyer, William J. Tracy Jr., asked the court for a chance to rehear the case, but the court refused the motion Tuesday.

Asherman was serving a seven-to-14-year sentence for manslaughter in the 1978 stabbing death of his Columbia Medical School classmate, Michael Aronow.

Asherman had served about three years behind bars when the Correction Department deemed him eligible to serve the rest of his sentence on supervised home release, a decision it later reversed despite Asherman's objections.

Asherman will remain behind bars no longer than 2 1/2 years—until May 1992—but he could be paroled before then, Flower said.

Asherman's sister Jeanne, a Washington attorney, said Tracy immediately began discussions with state officials so that Asherman could privately surrender to state custody.

She said Tracy plans to seek Asherman's release from prison by filing for a writ of habeas corpus by the end of the week.

"I can now say what I think of the (Supreme Court's) opinion," Ms. Asherman said. "It was obviously politically motivated. Their legal analysis is mumbo jumbo. They are obviously penalizing my brother for daring to try to clear his name."

Asherman has never confessed to the crime and has appealed his conviction.

Asherman was first released from prison in January 1988 as part of the Correction Department's supervised home release program, meant to ease prison overcrowding. At the time, he was described as a model prisoner.

But the decision angered the victim's family, and pressure mounted on the state to reverse it. Asherman was denied parole in July 1988, a decision that prison officials cited when they re-evaluated Asherman's status and ordered him back to prison the following month.

Asherman fought that decision, arguing the state had no authority to re-evaluate him. Superior Court Judge Samuel Freed agreed with Asherman's appeal, and ordered him returned to the home release program in May 1989.

Asherman had been out of jail for six months when the high court reversed Freed's order, ruling that Asherman's refusal to submit to a full psychological examination "was some evidence of his unsuitability to continue home release."

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OPINION

Aid offer crucial for fire safety

With remarkable unanimity, the directors of the Eighth Utilities District Monday night agreed to offer interim assistance to the town in providing fire protection to the northeast corner until the town finds a permanent solution to the problem.

In the brief discussion among directors, there was no philosophical objection to the offer.

The only objection was to some specifics in a letter District President Thomas E. Landers was authorized to send to Town Manager Richard Sartor.

The atmosphere at Monday's meeting contrasted sharply with the atmosphere that prevailed before the November election, when critics argued quite properly that any gesture by the district would be interpreted as intervention in the election campaign in which the town fire protection proposal was an issue.

But as Landers said Monday, the November election is over. Now the offer is more appropriate.

The question of how great is the need for a town firehouse to serve the area or where it should be located is primarily one of firefighting logistics complicated by the political reality that there are two fire departments in town operating in somewhat intermingling territories.

The importance of the vote by the district directors Monday is that it gives the chief of the district department a clear right to discuss with the chief of the town department whether any special arrangement is necessary to provide good interim fire protection and to work out the terms of that arrangement with fire logistics as the principle consideration.

Open Forum

Values over symbols

To the Editor:

As someone who loves this country very much and the freedom and democracy it offers, I am bothered by the emotions that have developed in America concerning the "flag burning issue."

I am bothered that not nearly as many Americans get upset when the freedoms that flag represents are tampered with.

As a combat veteran of Vietnam who came home and worked full time in the anti-war movement, I am bothered by such remarks as "People fought and died for the flag." In the wars prior to Vietnam, Americans fought for freedom and democracy and not for the flag. It is Vietnam there was no threat to America. There was a threat to obscure American corporate profits, and working-class American young people were sent to fight and die for that. Where were the emotions then?

Where are the emotions for the thousands of Vietnam veterans who have died or are dying from diseases caused by the illegal pesticides sprayed on us in Vietnam?

Where are the emotions to push for the return and accounting for the over 2,300 prisoners of war and missing in action still in Southeast Asia?

Where are the emotions for the ever increasing homeless population of which one third are veterans of Vietnam, Korea and the world wars?

The American flag is a symbol that represents the meaning and promise of America. I am more concerned about that meaning and the promise than I am about proper respect for that symbol. As I proudly salute our flag, I salute our freedom to choose.

I wish that Americans would react as strongly when American freedoms are tampered with as they are by the destruction of the flag.

God Bless America.

Bob Faucher
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Get rid of Cox

To the Editor:

I am writing to request that Cox Cable not be granted a renewal of its license expiring Dec. 31, 1989. The prime reason is their lack of commitment to service. I have been experiencing intermittent and frequent cases of poor quality picture transmission on all channels on all TV sets hooked up to Cox for two weeks. Cox refused to send out a service man when the problem happened, does not answer the telephone at night, and does not return calls the same day it receives complaints. I called again today and talked to the service department. Tonight, my cable reception is too poor to enjoy.

Aside from the poor service I'm currently experiencing, I feel I would rather see one religious channel rather than the two home shopping channels. Useless! I certainly don't want an adult video channel exposed to minors.

I write a letter to Mr. Juraska last year and asked why we had to pay extra for "Sports Channel" when East Hartford residents received it in their basic package two years prior. I didn't get the courtesy of a reply.

Please give the license to another cable company that will give the viewers an honest value and commitment to service. Cox doesn't deserve it.

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Maureen miffed at memoirs

By Jack Anderson and Dale Van Atta

WASHINGTON—Ronald Reagan's daughter Maureen and her famous speechwriter Peggy Noonan are about to do battle over Noonan's forthcoming memoirs.

Knowledgeable sources tell us that Maureen Reagan has already sent a letter of warning to Noonan's publisher, Random House, claiming that two references to Maureen in the book are not true.

At issue is Noonan's portrayal of Maureen Reagan, which the former first lady apparently finds unflattering. Maureen, like her stepmother Nancy, has grown tired of being the butt of everyone else's memoirs.

Noonan's book, "What I Saw at the Revolution," is not due out until February. But excerpts were published in the New York Times Magazine in October, including accounts of two run-ins between the speechwriter and the first daughter. We have seen a draft of the book, and there is a third critical reference that Maureen Reagan does not yet know about.

In the published excerpt, Noonan recalls her first meeting with Maureen in the White House mess. Maureen reportedly received a phone call from the office of a top White House aide, cursed and left in a huff. Noonan describes her face, "like the face of Bette Davis in 'Elizabeth the Queen' when Errol Flynn did something impertinent."

The second story is more serious. Noonan says that Maureen tried to get her fired because the first daughter didn't like one of Noonan's speeches. Noonan quotes her boss, Richard Darman, as telling her "Miss Maureen Reagan was just over here telling some very important people that you should be fired."

Maureen's husband, attorney and public relations consultant Dennis Revell, wrote the letter of protest to Random House and said that unless the publisher contacted him and his wife as part of a "libel review," a condemnation in Newtown, And, says state Sen. James Maloney of Danbury, it would be poor territory for a base because it's his wife's Maloney's—wife's home town. But part of Newtown used to be the Sixth District when Moffett was the district's congressman.

Bob Conrad is a syndicated columnist.

Dodd tends home politics

By Bob Conrad

Dodd had been joined in that effort by U.S. Rep. Nancy Johnson of New Britain. Jennifer's home is in her district. But Salvatorean President Alfredo Cristianini telephoned Dodd to say Jennifer would be released from jail, that charges of aiding rebels in that country's civil war probably could not be proven, and that she was being kicked out of El Salvador. It became Dodd's joyous job to spread the news.

The liberation of Jennifer Casolo was also deliverance, at least for now, of Dodd from attack by rebel sympathizers in this country for supporting U.S. aid to the Christiani government. Until this happy-ending story came to his rescue, Dodd had been made their whipping boy for the monstrous slaughter of innocent persons by helicopter armament forces. That was a grossly unfair and cheap shot, blind to the blood on rebel hands. In the arithmetic of atrocities in El Salvador, as carried out by trigger-happy thugs in the rebel FMLN and the right wing of Christiani's government, the number of deaths far exceeded the number when there seemed to be available time after Congress adjourned.

Like his Democratic colleague from Connecticut, U.S. Sen. Joe Lieberman, Dodd can afford to be relaxed about 1990 because he has no re-election campaign starting him in the face. That comes in 1992, if he chooses to seek another term there.

Then along came the Jennifer Casolo development last week, suddenly and dramatically delivering the Thomaston woman from jail in El Salvador and sending her home. Dodd had worked hard for nearly three weeks to bring that about.

It is his position that the United States should support political freedom wherever there is a chance in other nations, even in such an internally-troubled regime as Christiani's. That is partly in the interest of keeping democracy alive and partly to help nations that are willing to stand in the way of Castro or Soviet-backed rebels.

The nut comes when the issue is how much money that aid should entail, and for how long. Dodd isn't out of the woods on that one. He voted for millions for El Salvador in the recent past. The next critic-

Dousing the flame of tradition

By David C. Morse

The traditions of Christmas are perhaps the most meaningful of all traditions in the lives of Christians. No one holy day (holiday) receives so much attention within the walls of churches as well as department stores and supermarkets. Coming so close to the end of the calendar year, people use Christmas as a time to look back on the past seasons, sometimes with a satisfied feeling, sometimes with a touch of sadness, or perhaps just a feeling of relief that the year is finally ending and the chance to start over is just around the corner.

Sixty-five years ago, a new building was erected at the corner of Main Street and Hartford Road which made quite an architectural statement in its day and even more so today. The Tudor Gothic lines of South United Methodist Church are a striking contrast to its surroundings and is noticed by thousands of people every day as they sit in front of it in their automobiles waiting for the traffic lights to turn green.

When the building was completed in 1924, one of the parishioners had a vision for the church. Her name was Maytie Case Crowell and she recognized the importance of great music within a worship service. She took it upon herself to go "organic" shopping in New York City, finding what she liked at a prominent Fifth Avenue church. Tipping his salary, she brought him to Manchester to establish what would become the most significant music program east of the river. She worked to put together a professional choir and paid each person a stipend to assist with the cost of his or her voice lessons. Her family had donated a new pipe organ, a set of lower bells, and several Steinway pianos. But providing funds, equipment, and personnel was not all that Maytie Case Crowell gave to South United Methodist Church and Manchester. She also saw to it that the church offered meaningful programs. It was she who started the tradition of an annual candlelight concert at Christmastime. Patented after an event at the same prominent Fifth Avenue

church that the organist had come from, each choir member was given a brass chamberstick and taper to be used in a procession which was in the sanctuary lit by the choir's candles. Some of those original chambersticks are still used today.

Much has happened since that first time 65 years ago. Maytie Case Crowell is no longer living, but the memory of her presence and the gifts of her family linger on. She died in 1958 after 34 years of being a faithful steward of South United Methodist Church. I am sure that all of the wonderful events she provided for the church, none was ever more meaningful than the annual Christmas Candlelight Concert—and nothing could be more memorable than the sight of those candles in the procession. I know that she must have had tears of emotion every year as she watched her vision become a reality for the hundreds that would turn out for the concert. I know because I have been the organist now for thirteen of those 65 candlelight concerts and I always have a lump in my throat as I watch the choir come down the aisle. Yes, I have even shed a tear or two.

But the 1958 Candlelight Concert on Dec. 17 was different. Mixed with the tears of emotional joy were tears of sadness. It is no longer legal to have a candlelight procession using real candles and real flame. The church had had to purchase electric candles. I am told that the most important reason for the fire code restriction has to do with human hair and I am puzzled as to why it is still legal to have candles outside of a public building. I know because I watch the choir come down the aisle. Yes, that is as legal as smoking on airplanes while passengers in my dreams. I am frustrated that several members of the church and even some members of the choir feel that I

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made the decision to use electric candles. However, I am thankful that Maytie Case Crowell gave us a beautiful tradition and I am willing to work within the law to preserve the event until such time as it will be legal to use candles again. I don't believe it's gone forever. I am sure that an inventor in this century or the next will come up with some type of chemical that can be sprayed into the atmosphere so that nothing but the candle wax itself will burn and controlled candlelight processions will be legal once again.

Let us remember that at the root of it all is light of Christ which Christians believe to be the central element of spiritual life. I feel that I learn more and more about her every day and the strength of her vision has become a task for me to continue. In the words of one parishioner, Mark Williams, "South Church is a reminder of the joy that I have known and that I want to remain after I'm gone." Yes, I am grateful that our governments work to oversee our safety but I don't think we should let the passing of wonderful traditions go unnoticed or unmentioned.

Mini-editorial

Raina Guttschaefer may know what she likes, but she doesn't know art. On her recent trip to the Vatican she sniffed at Raphael's madonnas and said they were nice, but not as nice as the madonnas of Russian artists. Even if it were true, it grates to hear critique of religious art from one who has not seen the masterpieces of our country that turned into most magnificent churches into "museums of atheism." If you follow Raisa around long enough, you'll long for their mouths shut.

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BREAKING RANKS — An East German catches a look at minimalist Hans Modrow through downtown Dresden Tuesday. He caught his peek through a line of East German policemen.

Polluters agree to cleanup

WASHINGTON (AP) — Polluters will pay \$69.5 million for cleanup of nine hazardous waste sites and another \$11.6 million for past costs under court agreements obtained by the Environmental Protection Agency.

The sites are among those targeted by the Superfund program, the EPA announced Tuesday at a year-end briefing on recent Superfund enforcement cases.

Included among the sites are a landfill in Canterbury, Conn.

During the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, the EPA said it obtained 69 cleanup agreements at an estimated cost to polluters of \$795 million, compared with 44 agreements worth \$275 million in 1988 and 13 agreements worth \$130 million in 1987.

In addition to the Superfund program, the EPA obtained six others worth an estimated \$102 million in recent weeks.

Administrator William K. Reilly boasted "We are now seeing progress on all fronts" of the 10-year-old program, which remains under harsh congressional scrutiny.

According to the EPA, more than 1,200 sites have been identified as requiring "priority" cleanup. Remedies have been decided at 435 sites, and cleanup is actually under way at 217 sites.

But work has been completed at only about 40 sites, however, and many environmentalists and members of Congress remain unimpressed with the agency's performance. Complaints range from footdragging to the EPA's practice, in about half the Superfund cases settled so far, of allowing outside contractors, including the polluters themselves, to design the cleanup programs.

"The EPA continues to let the fox guard the chicken coop," said Rick Hind of the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, which believes about 9,000 sites should be on the cleanup priority list.

According to Assistant Administrator Don Clay, polluters will pay about 60 percent of the costs involved at Superfund sites where investigations or cleanups were initiated during the last fiscal year.

Here are the sites in the party's announcement and the parties' pay for the cleanups, all of which are the subjects of consent decrees in federal courts:

- The E.T. Rose Disposal Pit in Lanesboro, Mass.; General Electric Co.
- The Old Springfield Landfill, Springfield, Vt.; Browning-Ferris Industries of Vermont, Inc.; Embark Industries, Inc.; Textron, Inc.; and the town of Springfield.
- The Yaworski Lagoon at Canterbury, Conn.; Revell Industries; Revere Textile Prints, Inter-Roy Corp.; Triangle PWC, Inc.; the Rogers Corp.; Kaman Aerospace Corp.; and C & M Corp.
- Reich Farm, a three-acre disposal site in Dover Township, N.J.; Union Carbide Corp.
- Limestone Road site, an industrial dump about 2.5 miles west of Cumberland, Md.; Furchill Industries and Cumberland Cement and Supply Co.
- Lawrence Toldt site in Troy, Ohio; nearly 50 companies and 22 local governments.
- The Praline, Inc., site at Reading, Ohio, a Cincinnati suburb; a total of 111 companies, including Eli Lilly, General Electric, IBM, Monsanto, Union Carbide and Westinghouse Corp.
- Dutchtown Oil Treatment Facility, in Dutchtown, La.; 21 firms, including Bethlehem Steel, Exxon Corp., Mobil Oil, and Kaiser Aluminum.
- Miami County Incinerator, in Camanche, Iowa; Du Pont Co.

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Kemp vows ethics oversight

WASHINGTON (AP) — Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp says he is moving quickly to correct problems that caused a congressional study to say HUD has an "extremely weak" ethics review system.

Kemp's pledge came Tuesday following the release of a General Accounting Office study that said HUD was failing to make sure consultants filed financial disclosure forms and was not reviewing the ones filed by employees.

"We found that HUD's system for obtaining and reviewing disclosure statements is extremely weak, for its own employees as well as for experts and consultants," GAO said.

"The fact that the problems we are reporting have existed for so long demonstrates to us that the HUD secretary has not held the ethics officials sufficiently accountable for developing and administering an effective financial disclosure system."

GAO said there have been three HUD workers who have filled in as the agency's chief ethics officer since Kemp took over early this year, and said there has not been a staff and resource commitment to policing for conflicts of interest.

"It appears that to a large extent it is business as usual at the Department of Housing and Urban Development," said Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., who requested and released the report. "I am faulting Secretary Kemp."

Kemp, through HUD General Counsel Francis Keating, acknowledged the problems.

Keating said Kemp would hire a new chief ethics officer by year's end and would soon fully staff an expanded ethics department.

A new ethics manual also will be published by the end of the year and all HUD employees are being required to attend ethics seminars, Keating said.

"There are still things that need to be done but they are being done," Keating said. "No one is having to make a convert at this department on the subject of ethics."

The GAO said it reviewed the files of 62 consultants hired by HUD from 1986 to 1989 and that 52 had not filed required financial disclosure forms.

Cold maintains grip on country

Ice clogged more than 200 miles of the Mississippi River and people across the country huddled up today against an arctic blast that dropped temperatures to record lows from the Plains to the East Coast.

A 203-mile stretch of the Mississippi River, from St. Louis to Cairo, Ill., was closed to barge traffic by ice and low water, the U.S. Coast Guard said.

"This is way below normal for December," said Richard May, a weather service meteorologist at Bismarck, which recorded Tuesday's coldest reading for the lowest 48 in 35 below. "It will be the worst cold we've had this season."

In such brutal weather conditions, officials advised people going out to side to dress with extra layers of clothing and to carry emergency survival kits when traveling. Farmers and ranchers also were warned to take precautions to protect their animals from the bitter cold.

In Grand Forks, N.D., the local humane society put to sleep 40 animals on Monday to make room for a high number of animals brought in because of the bitter cold, said the society's executive director, Terry Tooy.

Since Friday, at least 40 deaths have been blamed on the weather, including traffic deaths on slippery roads and hypothermia.

In North Dakota, high temperatures today were expected to be no more than 15 below to 25 below, with winds of 15 to 25 mph producing wind chills of 55 below to 80 below, according to the National Weather Service.

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Bolton

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"Our primary interest is educational opportunities for the students in town," Holland said. "But our secondary interest is the amount of money it's going to cost."

Holland said his 250-member group wants the school board to examine all possible alternatives to cure the enrollment problem including closing the high school and sending students to another town.

"I really feel the opportunities Manchester could give are better than what Bolton has to offer," he said. "If they (school board members) don't explore all the possibilities available, then shame on them."

Packman said the plan would open up opportunities for disadvantaged East Hartford students to attend a smaller high school, where they can receive more attention.

Presently, Hartford and Bridgeport are the only school systems in Connecticut that allow disadvantaged inner city residents to attend suburban school systems through a program called Project Concern, according to John Allison, director of the Capital Region Education Council. Manchester is one of the communities to which Hartford sends its students.

Allison said he is helping Bolton and East Hartford school officials develop financial aspects of the exchange proposal.

The superintendent's announcement followed an informal meeting Monday night between officials of both school systems, Packman said. Interest in startup of such a program was expressed during the meeting, he said.

Both districts' boards of education probably will discuss the idea during their regular meetings in January, and a public hearing eventually will be held, Packman said. If the boards and their communities approve of the plan, about 20 incoming freshmen and 20 incoming sophomores from East Hartford could begin attending Bolton High School in September, Packman said. Eventually, 20 more students would be added to the two remaining classes, creating an influx of 80 students from East Hartford, he said.

East Hartford and Bolton both have four-year high schools with enrollments of 1,489 and 269 students, respectively, according to school officials. The enrollment at Bolton High School, which has a capacity of 350 students, is projected to decrease by 30 students next year.

6 convicted in protest at sub base

HARTFORD (AP) — Members of the Plovshares group say although they have been convicted in a symbolic Labor Day attack on the USS Pennsylvania there was nothing criminal in their actions.

Six peace activists, including one who peared her own blood on the Trident submarine less than a week before it was commissioned into the Navy, were found guilty Tuesday. The verdict capped a three-day trial in U.S. District Court in connection with the Sept. 4 incident at the Naval Underwater Systems Center on the Thames River in Groton.

The six peace activists, who called themselves the Thames River Plovshares, held hands as U.S. District Court Judge Alan H. Nevas read the jury's verdict, reached after three hours of deliberations over two days.

About 20 Plovshares supporters, many wearing dark blue T-shirts emblazoned with "Thames River Plovshares," surrounded the peace activists in the courtroom after the verdict was read.

"What we have done is not a crime," said Arthur J. Laffin, 35, of Hartford, one of the six convicted. "The Trident and our government's first-strike nuclear war preparations are the crime."

All six were convicted of conspiracy to commit offenses against the U.S. government. Five defendants were acquitted of conspiracy to trespass with the intent to damage U.S. property.

Jacqueline Allen, 28, of Voluntown was the only defendant convicted on both charges, plus an additional charge of causing less than \$100 worth of damage to U.S. property.

Authorities said Allen and the other defendants swam and paddled a canoe over to the Pennsylvania in the pre-dawn hours of Sept. 4. Allen said she peared a baby bottle of her own blood on the hull of the submarine, scratched the word "death" in the paint and began pounding on the ship with a hammer.

and officials are not sure when enrollment will stabilize in the future, Packman said.

The plan would provide enough students to maintain Bolton's current school programming, Packman said.

While East Hartford High School has a 26 percent minority population, which is growing at a rate of 3 percent per year, Bolton High School has maintained barely a 2 percent minority enrollment, according to school officials.

"We are basically a mono-cultural school system," said Packman.

The plan would bring a multicultural experience to Bolton High School students, he said.

"It would show students that we live in a pluralistic society," Packman said. "It is possible that eventually there could be a free flow that would allow students to attend the school of their choice."

But officials presently are more interested in having East Hartford students attend Bolton schools, he said.

Packman said he believes the state Department of Education will be receptive to the idea, hopefully in the form of a grant, because the department has been promoting student integration across the state.

Commenting on the proposal, Allison said, "I think it is exciting. There are elements that will benefit both school systems."

East Hartford Superintendent of Schools Sam J. Leone agreed.

He said such a program would help East Hartford to maintain a desired state of integration.

"As a superintendent, I do not want to wait for a state mandate to desegregate," he said. "I'd rather that we did something on our own."



CHRISTMAS IN BERLIN — A Christmas tree is erected near the Brandenburg Gate in West Berlin Tuesday with the help of a crane. The tree will be illuminated Saturday.

Romania

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er bound from Cluj, Romania, to London, said he passed through Timisoara early Tuesday and saw two large fires raging.

"Countless" tanks were parked on the outskirts of Timisoara, he said, but the city appeared calm. He reported seeing five armored vehicles parked in the downtown area and police vans cruising the streets.

A Western resident of Timisoara traveled to Yugoslavia on Tuesday and said the violence was "horrifying." He reported seeing several corpses in the streets and said parts of the downtown area, including local Communist Party headquarters, were badly damaged.

Repeated attempts to telephone Bucharest from Vienna and Budapest on Tuesday were unsuccessful.

Tanjung reported from Bucharest that police guards were posted at dormitories after students declared solidarity with the protesters in Timisoara, a city of 350,000.

The Soviet news agency Tass said "an unusual tension is noticeable" in Bucharest. "The guarding of government agencies, plants and factories has been strengthened.... On the streets, soldiers armed with automatic weapons and members of the Patriotic People's Front (militia) are patrolling.... Buses are parked with soldiers and policemen."

Tanjung said Yugoslavia had called on Romania "to immediately put an end to violence and prevent further bloodshed."

In Washington, the Bush administration condemned the "brutal use of police force" and said the United States was consulting with allies about the possibility of sending independent observers to Romania.

Romanians have been comparatively quiet for years, largely out of fear, but the nation of 23 million has lived under the strains of widespread rationing and other hardships for several years.

Official Romanian media made no mention of disturbances, but the Communist Party daily Scinteia said in a commentary the "spirit" as well as the letter of the law must be applied in every field and every circumstance.

The protests in Timisoara reportedly began in defense of a local pastor Friday and grew into a demonstration against Ceausescu on Sunday. It was the largest anti-government protest since a march by 10,000 workers in Brasov in November 1987.

Magyar Hirlap, a Hungarian daily, said Tuesday the violence also had spread to Arad and Brasov, two other cities in Transylvania, but gave no specifics.

Romania and Hungary have a long-standing dispute about alleged harassment of the 1.7 million ethnic Hungarians in Romania, most of whom live in Transylvania. That region, along with Moldavia in the north, has been the center of what little protest has occurred.

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Celebrate the Season: A Holiday Meal with Festive Flair

The holidays are an exciting time of year, brimming with merriment, joyous gatherings and thoughtful touches. Even those with hurried, hectic lifestyles are inspired to fill the home with festive flair and tradition, especially when selecting foods to grace the holiday table.

To share this season's family celebration, here's an impressive holiday menu that combines old-fashioned ambience with contemporary style. The recipes are elegant and special, yet can be successfully prepared by both the novice and experienced cook.

Begin the traditional festive meal with Creamy Spinach-Leek Soup, a heart-warming first course that's

easily made in a blender or food processor. Corn starch is used, rather than rich cream or butter, to thicken the soup to its smooth, velvety consistency.

The holiday menu's pièce de résistance is a distinctive pork crown roast. A flavorful herb mustard basting sauce and filling of colorful winter vegetables give this traditional holiday roast a creative new twist. The braazing presentation is also certain to receive a chorus of accolades from your guests.

Corn starch is also used to prepare the delicate gravy accompaniment, assuring a smooth, light gravy without lumps or a floury taste. And, since the corn starch is flavorless, the mustard and herb seasonings used in the

basting sauce impart a distinctive taste.

Whether it's the spectacular appearance or light and delicate flavor, rolled cakes are an impressive finale to any occasion. This festive walnut sponge cake, filled with an elegant mixture of red raspberries and orange-flavored liqueur, is naturally thickened with corn starch.

For added convenience, this dessert can also be prepared in advance and refrigerated. Simply cover the filled, rolled cake with whipped cream just before serving and top with a sprinkle of chopped walnuts.

Celebrate the season by sharing a special holiday meal with family and friends. It's a tradition that's sure to be savored year after year!



Menu

- Creamy Spinach Leek Soup**
- Mustard Herb Crown Roast of Pork**
- Greening Vegetable Medley**
- Holiday Raspberry Walnut Roll**

- Creamy Spinach Leek Soup**
 - 2 tablespoons corn oil
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 3/4 cup coarsely chopped leek
 - 1 package (10 oz) frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
 - 4 cups milk, divided
 - 3 tablespoons snipped fresh dill or 2 teaspoons dried dill weed

- Mustard Herb Crown Roast of Pork**
 - 1/4 cup Dijon mustard
 - 1/4 cup corn oil margarine, softened
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons dried rosemary leaves, crumbled
 - 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
 - 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced or pressed
 - 1 (8 lb) crown roast of pork (about 16 ribs)
 - 2 cups (about) beef or chicken broth or bouillon, divided
 - 2 medium carrots, cut in 2-inch pieces
 - 2 ribs celery, cut in 2-inch pieces
 - 1 medium onion, cut in wedges
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 3 tablespoons corn starch

- Greening Vegetable Medley**
 - 3 tablespoons corn oil
 - 3 cups brussels sprouts
 - 3 cups cauliflower florets
 - 1 cup diagonally sliced carrots
 - 2 3/4 cup water
 - 1 tablespoon grated lemon peel
 - 1/8 teaspoon pepper

- Holiday Raspberry Walnut Roll**
 - 5 eggs, at room temperature
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1/4 cup unsifted flour
 - 1/4 cup unsifted corn starch
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped walnuts
 - 3 tablespoons corn oil margarine, melted and cooled
 - 2 tablespoons orange-flavored liqueur
 - Raspberry Filling (recipe follows)
 - Whipped cream
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With some planning and your microwave oven, you can relax on Christmas morning—and still serve a wonderful brunch to your family.

Let the children help you put together packets of Christmas Spice. These can be simmered in a measuring cup with water to send the fragrance of Christmas throughout the house during the holidays. Christmas spice can also be used to flavor a delicious cup of hot tea.

The entrees that we suggest you choose from for your Christmas brunch can be partly assembled before the day's activities begin.

The broccoli and ham strata can be prepared the night before. Curried eggs and muffins can also be started the day ahead. Cook the eggs the conventional methods a day ahead for the curried eggs and muffins. Do not peel the eggs until you are ready to complete the recipe on Christmas morning. Shredding, chopping and dicing can also be done ahead for the cheese confetti bake so that preparation time is kept to a minimum at the last minute. The microwave will speed the cooking time for each of these brunch dishes.

If you are heating ready-made muffins or bread for your brunch, you may want to add a special touch by serving them with flavored butter. These can be made ahead of time, up to a week or more, and refrigerated, ready for use at any time during the holidays.

The microwave coffee ring is a "from scratch" recipe that is quick and easy to prepare. The dry ingredients can be measured the day before and set aside to be combined just before baking. Cranberry wheat bread can be made ahead and frozen. Just heat this delicious nutritional bread in the microwave when you are ready to serve.

If you want to end your brunch with a seasonal dessert, we suggest that you consider the cinnamon coffee mousse. This light, richly flavored mousse is a favorite for anyone who enjoys a blending of mellow coffee and chocolate.

Christmas spice

- 1 piece stick cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon whole allspice
- 1/2 teaspoon whole cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Combine ingredients in the center of a 6 inch square of cheesecloth. Gather corners together to form a bundle. Tie bundle with string or dental floss.

Place packet in a 2 cup measure filled with hot tap water. Microwave on high for 5 to 6 minutes, or until water is boiling. Cover microwave at 30% (medium-low) to send fragrance of Christmas spice throughout the house. Additional water may be added if needed when microwaving for an extended time.

Broccoli Ham Strata

- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen chopped broccoli
- 1 package (6 ounces) seasoned croutons
- 1 1/2 cups diced cooked ham
- 8 ounces shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
- 4 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups milk

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Place broccoli, croutons, ham and cheese in a 9 x 13 inch baking dish. Whisk eggs and milk together. Pour over layered mixture. Dust top with paprika. Cover and refrigerate overnight.

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Marge Churchill

paprika
Place package of broccoli in a 4 cup glass measure. Microwave on high power for 5 minutes. Drain thoroughly and discard liquid. Set broccoli aside.

Distribute croutons in bottom of a 9 inch microwave safe layer cake pan. Make one layer of each: ham, broccoli, then cheese.

Whisk eggs and milk together. Pour over layered mixture. Dust top with paprika. Cover and refrigerate overnight.

Remove cover and microwave at 70% (medium-high) for 15 to 17 minutes, rotating the dish twice. Let stand for 5 minutes before cutting into serving pieces. Yields 6 to 8 servings.

Cheese Confetti Bake

- 8 ounces shredded Monterey Jack cheese (2 cups)
- 4 ounces shredded cheddar or other hard cheese (1 cup)
- 1/2 cup chopped bell pepper
- 2 cups green onions
- 1 tablespoon chopped pimientos
- 1/2 cup diced ham, pepperoni or other leftover meat
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk

Seasonings to taste
1/2 of a 4 ounce can french fried onions
Combine cheeses in an 8 x 8 x 2 inch glass dish. Sprinkle pepper, onions, pimientos and diced meat over cheeses. Beat eggs, milk and seasonings together. Pour evenly over cheese mixture. Press onion rings on top. Microwave on 70% (medium-high) for 11 to 13 minutes, rotating once. Let stand for 10 minutes before cutting. Yields 6 servings.

Curried Eggs

- 4 English muffins, split and toasted
- 8 hard-cooked eggs, peeled (prepared by conventional method)
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/4 cup flour
- 2 teaspoons curry powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon white pepper
- 2 cups milk

Toppings:
crumbled cooked bacon
sliced green onions
shredded carrots
chopped nuts
shredded coconut

Cranberry Wheat Bread

- 3/4 cup each: whole wheat and all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 cup chopped raw cranberries
- 3/4 cup chopped nuts
- grated peel from 1 orange
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/2 cup dark brown sugar, packed
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar

Using solid shortening, grease the bottom and sides of a 9 x 5 x 3 inch glass loaf pan. Sift the two flours, baking powder, salt, baking soda, and nutmeg into a mixing bowl. Using a food processor or blender, coarsely chop cranberries. Add cranberries, nuts and orange peel to flour mixture; toss well to coat. Combine orange juice and oil in a 2 cup measure. Add egg and two sugars; stir to dissolve sugar. Pour liquid mixture into dry ingredients and combine well. Pour batter into a prepared loaf pan. Microwave on 50% (medium) power for 5 minutes, then increase power to high, and microwave for 3 minutes longer, rotating the dish once or twice. Check for doneness. Let stand directly on counter top for 5 minutes before turning onto a cooling rack. Yields 1 loaf.

Mincemeat Coffee Ring

- 3/4 cups flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 cup margarine
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup prepared mincemeat

Grease a 6 cup ring mold with solid shortening. Dust the inside with graham cracker crumbs. Sift together flour, soda, and salt. Set aside. Place margarine in a medium-size microwave safe mixing bowl. Microwave on high power for 45 seconds, or until melted. Blend in sugar and eggs, thoroughly. Add dry ingredients; blend. Stir in mincemeat and pour into prepared ring mold. Microwave on 50% (medium) power for 25 minutes, rotating once or twice. Microwave on high power for 2 to 3 1/2 minutes, rotating once. Let stand, directly on counter top, for 5 minutes. Invert on serving platter. Yields 8 servings.

(Note: may be served with Cherry or Rum-Walnut Butter topping spreads.)

Cinnamon Coffee Mousse

- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 teaspoons instant coffee crystals
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 cups half and half
- 3 egg yolks, beaten
- 1 cup whipping cream
- chocolate curls

In a 8 cup measure, combine sugar, cornstarch, coffee crystals and cinnamon. Blend in half and half. Microwave at high power for 6 to 9 minutes, or until mixture thickens, heating with a whisk 2 or 3 times. Stir small amount of hot mixture gradually into egg yolks. Blend egg yolks back into hot mixture. Microwave at high power for 30 seconds to 1 minute, or until mixture thickens slightly, stirring every 30 seconds. Place plastic wrap directly on surface of pudding. Chill at least 4 hours.

In a medium mixing bowl, beat whipping cream at high speed of electric mixer until soft peaks form. Fold whipped cream into chilled pudding. Spoon evenly into each of 8 individual parfait glasses. Garnish with chocolate curls or crushed pieces of coffee-flavored candy (I like to use a bit of both). Yields 8 servings.

Marge Churchill is a Manchester resident who is an authority on cooking with a microwave. Questions should be sent to Microwave Kitchen, Manchester Herald, Box 591, Manchester, CT 06640.



FINDING A WARM SPOT—William Farrow lies on a steam grate in Philadelphia Tuesday as the temperatures dipped into the teens. Farrow said he wouldn't go to a shelter because "They don't like me there."

Hospitals turn to volunteers to provide 'cuddling' therapy

By Patty Reinert
The Associated Press

BALTIMORE—Nancy Gephart does a blue hospital gown once a week and does for strangers' children what she used to do for her son.

She feeds them, talks to them, and holds them.

She is one of a growing number of hospital "cuddlers," who try to provide emotional support and a healing touch to sick children whose parents either cannot or will not do so.

Nearly three decades ago, Gephart spent as much time as she could at her son's bedside at Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital as he lay suffering from rheumatic fever.

"In those days, visiting hours were very restricted, but now parents are allowed to visit day or night—but some of them don't," Gephart said.

"Some of the parents just can't face the severity of a child's medical problems."

Susan Kolodner, the hospital's director of volunteers, characterized the children as "medically fragile," adding:

"This is their home for several months or even years, and their parents can't be here all the time. That's where the cuddlers come in—to provide an extra pair of hands for the nurses and to provide the children with extra attention and love."

When Mount Washington began its cuddler program in 1986, hospital officials were looking for "the grandmother type," Kolodner said.

"The first cuddlers came from a retirement home up the street."

"At first, I said, 'I can't do that. I don't have time,'" said Edith Dobs, a retired nurse who lives at that home. "But I was so impressed with their orientation program and with the nurses... When I left, I was signed up for Tuesday mornings and I've been here every Tuesday morning for the last three years."

The program has since expanded to include volunteers of all ages. The 60 current cuddlers range from early 20s to 84, Kolodner said.

Once Mount Washington's cuddler program was established, other area hospitals were swamped with calls asking about similar volunteer programs, said Debbie Bangleford, volunteer programs coordinator for Johns Hopkins Hospital and Hopkins Children's Center.

"We kept getting requests from people saying, 'Do you have a cuddler program?' so we sat down and said, 'Hey, let's do it,'" Bangleford said. "It's been an overwhelming success."

Other hospitals have started similar programs, in part to deal with the growing number of children born to drug-dependent mothers. Addicted at birth, the children require extra attention and nurturing to calm them.

"Sometimes it will take two hours just to get a baby to drink a few ounces of formula," said Gephart. "The nurses each have to take care of up to four patients. They just don't have the time to sit for two hours with one baby."

Michele Jacobs, a nurse at Mount Washington, said the babies quickly learn to associate their nurses with the sometimes painful treatments they administer.

"But they try to know the cuddlers and you can see their faces light up when a cuddler comes in," Jacobs said. "They don't associate the cuddlers with pain. They associate them with loving and play."

"They feel better knowing that if they can't be here, there is someone who will watch over their children and give them comfort," she said.

"People say this is one of the most giving things you can do," Gephart said. "But it's definitely a two-way street. I get so much out of them... Just to see a child who has been unresponsive smile, or to get a child to eat something or to sleep."

Jacobs said parents also are grateful for the cuddlers' services.

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Deaths from Flight 103 casts pall over university

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP)—Darkness came early on Dec. 21, the winter solstice.

But the darkness that fell over Syracuse University last Dec. 21 when students learned 35 hometown-bound classmates had been killed by a terrorist bomb aboard Pan Am Flight 103 never completely lifted.

"It's getting harder to think about it without it becoming overwhelming," said Ann Lareau, a senior who studied in London with several of the victims, including her best friend, 20-year-old Theo Cohen.

"This was the time of year we were starting to talk about the things we were going to do when we got back," said Lareau, who added in a hushed voice: "I miss them."

Donnie Carrington, a junior, said not a day goes by that she doesn't think of her friend, Frederick "Sandy" Phillips.

"You just don't expect people to die at that age. At that age you're looking forward to the future," she said. "I guess in time the pain will diminish, but in my heart it won't start until those who are responsible are brought to justice. They're not buried with peace. Their story is not whole."

Phillips, Cohen and 33 other students who spent the semester studying overseas under Syracuse's program were returning

home when their Pan Am jumbo jetliner exploded in the sky over Lockerbie, Scotland.

The bombing killed all 259 people aboard the jet and 11 residents of Lockerbie, who died when debris from the plane crashed into the town.

The bombing cast a pall over the Syracuse campus.

"It was oppressive here last spring but those feelings started to wane over the summer and earlier this semester," said Nan Jensen, the university's religious counseling coordinator. "But it's never been forgotten and many students still are having trouble letting go."

For some students, it was days before they could leave their rooms to go to class, she said. Others immersed themselves in campaigns for tighter airport security and for travelers' right to know about terrorist threats as a way to cope with the murders.

Jensen said attendance at her weekly grief support sessions picked up at the anniversary drew nearer.

Kathleen Deters, who coordinates counseling services in the university's dormitories, said residence hall counselors had not seen the same increase, but that it was more likely students simply did not need to see the therapist that week with her office.

"They've never been very far from our minds, from my mind," said Clark, a drama professor who had taught seven of the victims.

An interfaith vigil was held Dec. 13 in Hendricks Chapel, where hundreds of students converged a year ago after the news of the bombing. A procession of 35 students carrying candles in memory of the victims and a song composed especially by the victims by senior Marshall Whimney highlighted the service.

The university is building a memorial wall and has established scholarships in tribute to the slain students. Syracuse's football coach, Dick MacPherson, made a goodwill trip to Lockerbie over the summer and the university's two-time defending national champion lacrosse team is making a trip in January.

"Twenty-five of the student victims attended Syracuse, while the remaining 10 were from other schools who traveled abroad as part of the university's foreign studies program."

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Whole rice good for you but still hard to cook

By Bonnie Tandy Leblang
and Carolyn Wyman

Uncle Ben's Fast Cooking Whole Grain Brown Rice. \$1.49 per 14-oz. box.

Bonnie: This new product makes cooking brown rice a breeze. You can now enjoy brown rice just 10 minutes after adding it to boiling water, in less than the 30 minutes it takes to make Uncle Ben's Whole Grain Brown Rice. This is because Uncle Ben's Fast Cooking Brown Rice has been pre-cooked then dried, making this essentially a dehydrated product.

Brown rice is richer in nutrients than its polished cousin. And it contains the cholesterol-lowering rice bran, a source of soluble fiber, and it has rice bran oil, which may be even more effective than the celebrated oat bran in helping to lower

Supermarket Sampler

cholesterol. For all these reasons, I recommend this product to anyone who doesn't have the time to make regular brown rice.

Hershey's Premium Real Chocolate Chunks, Semi-sweet and milk chocolate, \$1.89 per \$2.99 per 10-oz. bag.

Carolyn: Cooking rice is never a breeze, at least not for those of us who've been declared cooking impaired. The advantage in using Uncle Ben's new fast cooking brown rice is that it takes less time for me to discover that the rice is hard, baked on the bottom of the pan or waterlogged.

Even if you're better at cooking rice than me, the question is whether or not you want to eat brown rice remains. I do not. But this new version does seem a bit less

chunky than other brown rice, and therefore, a bit less objectionable.

Bonnie: All real chocolate chips and chunks are made with cocoa butter, an artery-clogging saturated fat. Hershey's Premium Bits are similar to Nestles and Baker's chocolate chunks in other ways, as well, they all contain lecithin, an emulsifier, and vanillin, an artificial flavoring. The only one on the market with real vanilla flavoring is Guittard, an imported chocolate. Since I prefer real things, I would recommend it.

Green Giant Whole Straw Mushrooms, \$1.18 to \$1.29 per 7-oz. jar.

Bonnie: Carolyn, here's a new product that will make your homemade Chinese food look more authentic: straw mushrooms. Named for their cultivation in straw beds, they look like miniature umbrellas.

Besides being exotic, these mushrooms are more flavorful than regular canned ones. In addition to stir-fries, add them to soups, salads, side dishes, omelettes, garnishes or anything you might use other mushrooms for.

I prefer fresh mushrooms. But since these are unavailable fresh and are similar in price to other jarred mushrooms, I think they're a good buy.

Carolyn: These look like little toothpaste tubes. They don't taste any better or worse than other canned or jarred mushrooms I have tried.

Consumers demand more ready to cook meals

By Diane Duxton
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—Women in the workforce and the popularity of microwave ovens are pressuring the food industry to convert farm products not just to food, but to ready-made meals, says an agriculture publication.

"Retailers, distributors and processors are the first to be buffeted by changes in consumer demands," says the article in "Choices" written by Benjamin Senauer, professor of agriculture and applied economics.

"But in many cases these consumer-driven changes work their way through the food system back to the farmer."

Senauer points out that consumers got so hot for oat products, which are supposed to reduce cholesterol, that farmers couldn't keep up, leading food processors to turn to imports.

"Women in the labor force jumped from 35 percent in 1960 to 53 percent in 1987," says the author. "For married women 35-44 years old, it doubled from 36 percent to 72

percent during the same period."

Some 75 percent of American households own microwave ovens and over 60 percent of all the workers in the United States have access to a microwave on the job, he said.

These statistics have contributed to a new category of eater that one food company calls the "Chase and Grabbits," also known as Yuppies, considered 26 percent of the market.

Other categories into which the Pillsbury Co., according to Senauer, put consumers and the share of the market they hold are:

- Functional Feeders, 18 percent, older couple with husband in blue-collar, interested in traditional meals in convenient ways.
- Down Home Stokers, 21 percent, lower income, traditional regional or ethnic eaters.
- Careful Cooks, 20 percent, better educated, older, frequently retired, higher income, want a healthy, nutritious diet with emphasis on enjoyment.
- Happy Cookers, 15 percent, a couple in which one or both enjoy cooking or baking, want basic ingredients and will pay for quality.
- The Happy Cookers and Chase and Grabbits are the growing segments of the market, says Senauer.

Another food trend that affects farmers more directly is the movement away from products sprayed with chemicals toward organically grown fruits and vegetables.

Senauer cites a 1989 survey by the Food Marketing Institute that said 82 percent of the consumers who responded rated pesticides and herbicide residues as a serious health hazard.

However, 81 percent said they were completely confident or mostly confident that the food in grocery stores is safe.

Senauer said that to avoid consumer panic that can hurt farmers and food-related businesses, the government and food industry "both need to be sensitive to the public's need for adequate and accurate information about the safety of food and thereby activity work to maintain consumer confidence in the food system."

Besides worrying about chemicals, consumers are more concerned than ever about the nutritional value of their food.

"The average American consumes 37 percent of his or her calories in the form of fat, down from 40 percent in 1977," said Senauer.

This shows up on the farm in decreased demand for products high in saturated fat, such as animal shortening, butter and whole milk.

Menus

Senior Citizen

The following lunches will be served at Westhill Gardens and Mayfair Gardens the week of Dec. 25-29, to Manchester residents who are 60 or older. No meals will be served Dec. 25.

Tuesday: Cranberry juice, breaded pork, broth, sweet potatoes, Charved beets, rice bread, apple sauce.

Wednesday: Hickory noodle soup, baked chicken, mashed potatoes, Capri vegetables, pumpkinseed bread, canned peaches.

Thursday: Grape juice, baked fish with Newburg sauce, rice Romano, oriental vegetables, white bread, pear compote.

Friday: Farmer Brown soup, manicotti with Italian sauce, green beans, walnuts, Italian bread, fresh fruit.

Meals on Wheels

The following meals will be served to Meals on Wheels clients the week of Dec. 25-29. The hot noon meal is listed first and the cool evening meal, second. No meals will be delivered Dec. 25.

Tuesday: Roast beef with gravy, baked potato, mixed vegetables; Egg salad sandwich, fruit milk.

Wednesday: Baked chicken quarter with gravy, whipped potato, spinach; Turkey sandwich, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Baked meatloaf with gravy, whipped potato, broccoli; Chicken salad sandwich, fruit, milk.

Friday: Stuffed shells with tomato sauce, zucchini, wax beans; Tuna salad sandwich, fruit, milk.

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The smaller your gathering and the less food you buy, the lower your food bill. Don't feel you have to outdo every other hostess this time of year. Don't attempt to repay a whole year's social obligations in a single budget-busting holiday bash.

Spent less on holiday

By Nancy Byal
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine

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State feedlot cattle inventories are listed here for the seven states. Which account for about three-fourths of the nation's beef. The first number is the number of cattle, in thousands, as of Dec. 1, and the second number is the percentage of a year earlier.

Arizona 251 93
California 490 89
Colorado 960 101
Iowa 665 109
Kansas 1,600 106
Nebraska 2,100 106
Texas 2,060 97

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Americans smoked less in 1989 than the year before, according to a tobacco report from the Agriculture Department.

"Despite record exports of about 130 billion cigarettes, output is

SCOREBOARD

Hockey

NHL standings

W	L	T	Pts	GP	GA
Philadelphia	16	5	4	36	112
NY Rangers	15	8	3	36	137
New Jersey	15	9	3	36	136
Los Angeles	14	14	3	36	134
Pittsburgh	13	17	3	36	142
NY Islanders	12	20	4	36	157

W	L	T	Pts	GP	GA
Buffalo	21	9	4	41	107
Montreal	20	13	4	41	101
St. Louis	17	13	3	37	92
Hartford	17	17	3	37	119
Chicago	8	23	7	37	104

W	L	T	Pts	GP	GA
Minnesota	17	6	2	26	118
Tampa Bay	15	9	2	26	128
LA Kings	14	9	3	26	113
Dallas	14	10	2	26	130

W	L	T	Pts	GP	GA
Edmonton	15	11	4	43	141
Calgary	15	11	3	43	142
San Jose	14	13	3	43	150
Washington	14	14	3	43	138
Winnipeg	12	27	2	43	210

Monday's Games

Washington 7:30 p.m. vs. New York Islanders. 8 p.m. vs. New Jersey. 8 p.m. vs. Minnesota. 8 p.m. vs. Boston.

Philadelphia 7:30 p.m. vs. Los Angeles. 8 p.m. vs. Tampa Bay. 8 p.m. vs. St. Louis. 8 p.m. vs. Chicago.

Los Angeles 7:30 p.m. vs. Philadelphia. 8 p.m. vs. Minnesota. 8 p.m. vs. Tampa Bay. 8 p.m. vs. St. Louis.

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NHL results

Hartford 4-2-2-4
Pittsburgh 0-2-3-4
First Period: 1 Hartford, 0 Pittsburgh. 2nd Period: 2 Hartford, 0 Pittsburgh. 3rd Period: 1 Hartford, 0 Pittsburgh.

Philadelphia 4-2-3-4
Los Angeles 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Philadelphia, 0 Los Angeles. 2nd Period: 2 Philadelphia, 0 Los Angeles. 3rd Period: 1 Philadelphia, 0 Los Angeles.

Los Angeles 3-2-1-6
Washington 0-2-3-4
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Washington. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Washington. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Washington.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
San Jose 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 San Jose. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 San Jose. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 San Jose.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Chicago 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Chicago. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Chicago. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Chicago.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
St. Louis 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 St. Louis. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 St. Louis. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 St. Louis.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Dallas 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Edmonton 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Edmonton. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Edmonton. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Edmonton.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Calgary 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Calgary. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Calgary. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Calgary.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Winnipeg 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Winnipeg. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Winnipeg. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Winnipeg.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
New York Islanders 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
New York Rangers 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
New Jersey Devils 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Minnesota North Stars 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Tampa Bay Lightning 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Tampa Bay Lightning. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Tampa Bay Lightning. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Tampa Bay Lightning.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Florida Panthers 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Florida Panthers. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Florida Panthers. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 Florida Panthers.

Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Boston Bruins 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Detroit Red Wings 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
Pittsburgh Penguins 0-1-1-2
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Los Angeles 3-1-1-7
New York Islanders 0-1-1-2
First Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 New York Islanders. 2nd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 New York Islanders. 3rd Period: 1 Los Angeles, 0 New York Islanders.

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New York Rangers 0-1-1-2
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FOCUS

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren



Just in case you wondered

DEAR ABBY: With reference to "Wondering in Victoria," who wondered why the Scandinavians switched their "v" and "w" sound, it's the same with Germans. In the German language, there is the "v" sound, but not the "double u" (w) sound. When Germans speak English, their "v" becomes "w" and vice versa. Example: "Vy are you laughing?" "It had a very nice time in your village."

Other nationalities have similar problems. My "hispanic friends have the "v" sound in Spanish, but not "j" sound. In speaking English, they make a mental switch. Example: "Jes, I like New York, but I can't find a job there."

ROBERT J. ALEXANDER
PASADENA

DEAR ABBY: "Wondering in Victoria" was puzzled by Scandinavian pronunciation. I would like to know why some eastern U.S. citizens "wrench their cars and go to Cuba." They insert an "r" where it isn't and leave it out where it is.

MIDWESTERNER IN TAMPA

DEAR ABBY: In studying the Scandinavian languages, I have noticed that the Scandinavians pronounce "w" as "v" when the "w" comes at the beginning of a word—they use "volunter" for volunteer. However, if the "w" comes in the middle of the word, such as car-washer, it is pronounced as a "w."

Now, if you excuse me, I want to go watch TV.

DEAR ABBY: Speaking of foreigners with strange accents, my aunt's neighbor came from the East End of London and spoke in a Cockney dialect, dropping her "h's."

This neighbor once said to my aunt, "enry likes 'am, so c'breught one 'ome for the 'olidays." When my aunt finally got the couple to ask her if she could pronounce "enry," she replied, "Certainly, I can say 'bacun and legg's."

ANOTHER PAN
IN HOLIDAY, FLA.

DEAR ABBY: I have noticed that the Filipinos, when speaking English, also switch a few letters. Tagalog, their native language, has no letter "t"; nor the "l" sound, so when speaking English, the "t" becomes "p" and "l" becomes "f." Thus Filipino is pronounced "Filipino," federal becomes "federal" and February becomes "Febuary."

JIM ROBINSON
PONCHATULA, LA.

DEAR ABBY: Why do we Scandinavians have such a problem with the "v's" and "w's"? The answer is as simple as it is obvious: You, the Anglo-speaking people, have got it all wrong! You think of the letter "w" as a double "v," actually, it is a double "v" and the "y's" and "j's" are both pronounced like a "w." The problem started with the Germans. They pronounced the "v" as "f" and the "w" as "v." The Volkswagen is pronounced Volkswagen. Not Volk's. Not Wagon.

OLAF HULT, L.A.

DEAR ABBY: On my first flight to Hawaii, I asked my seat partner if the lovely state was pronounced Hawaii—or Hawaii.

He said, "It's pronounced Hawaii."

I said, "Thank you." He replied, "You're welcome."

BEWILDERED IN UTAH

Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

Son is treated for sleep attacks
DEAR DR. GOTT: Please give your latest information on narcolepsy. My 19-year-old son has been diagnosed with it and is being treated with Ritalin. We want him to go to junior college this year, but first and foremost we want him to get well.

DEAR READER: Narcolepsy is a rare neurological disease of unknown cause, marked by recurrent attacks of sleep and/or sudden loss of muscle tone. The sleep attacks often occur without warning and an inappropriate times, such as while driving or carrying out everyday activities.

Loss of muscle tone can be equally unpredictable, although these episodes seem to be triggered by feelings of surprise in some patients. For instance, narcoleptic patients may experience momentary paralysis from spontaneous emotional reactions, such as anger, fear or joy.

The symptoms of narcolepsy usually begin in otherwise healthy adolescents and persist throughout life. The disease, which is four times more common in men than women and tends to run in families, does not cause ill health or shortened life span. The diagnosis is made by the typical attacks.

Treatment is almost always successful and consists of stimulant drugs, such as amphetamines or methylphenidate (Ritalin). When taken regularly, these medicines block sleep attacks and lessen the muscular weakness.

If your son's symptoms are controlled with Ritalin and he is under medical supervision, he should be able to participate fully in college activities and lead a normal life. Although narcolepsy is not curable by present methods, the symptoms are controllable.

Because the unpredictability of narcolepsy seems to resemble the unprovoked outbreaks of Tourette's syndrome, another neurological disease, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Tourette's Syndrome." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

PEOPLE



The Associated Press

BACK ON TELEVISION — Members of the television Brady family pose Monday prior to beginning production on their new CBS series 'The Bradys.' Back row, from left to right, are: Christopher Knight, Susan Olsen, Ann B. Davis, Eve Plumb, Ron Kulman, Jerryouser and Michael Melby. Front row, from left to right, are: Caryn Richman, Jonathan Weiss, Barry Williams, Florence Henderson, Robert Reed, Leah Ayres, and Jaylyn Bernstein.

ABC chief is not worried about losing Roseanne

NEW YORK (AP) — ABC's program chief isn't putting much stock in Roseanne Barr's threat to leave "uprated" "Roseanne."

Robert A. Iger said Tuesday that while he hasn't discussed the matter with Barr he assumes she'll be back for a third season of the television comedy series.

"I'm not that worried," Iger said.

"I'm outta there," Barr said earlier this month on NBC's "Today" show when asked about her television career if her movie "She-Devil" was a hit. If the movie flopped, she said, "I'm going to leave TV anyway."

"I've spoken with her since that quote... I didn't address that comment at all," Iger said. "I just let it go. She has a contract to do the program and I assume she'll be back."

McCartney is honored

LONDON (AP) — Fellow musicians gave former Beatle Paul McCartney an award and a standing ovation for his contribution to popular music.

McCartney said the recognition Tuesday by the Performing Rights Society, which ensures composers receive payments for all public performances of their music, was one of the most important he had ever received.

"These are all people who have written great lyrics, and to be honored by them is something very special," said McCartney, a society member for more than 25 years.

McCartney paid tribute to his fellow Beatles — Ringo Starr, George Harrison and late John Lennon — and accepted a miniature gold cup of the Hofner guitar he made famous.

McCartney, who has just finished the American leg of his first world tour in 13 years, said the tour was "going marvellously." He said he was particularly looking forward to "the British fans, that part is nostalgic."

McCartney's first British concert is Jan. 2 in Birmingham.

LONDON (AP) — Prince Charles will mix business with pleasure during a week-long visit to the United States in February.

Buckingham Palace announced Tuesday his first stop will be Feb. 16 in Washington, where he will attend the American Institute of Architects "Accent on Architecture" celebration.

The 41-year-old heir to the British throne also will attend an event for the Association of Marshall Scholars, of which he is honorary president.

Charles then goes to an international business conference in Charleston, S.C., and plays in charity polo matches in Florida.

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Sylvia Porter

Lots of cash to 'lookalikes'

As heart-thumping charity appeals surround this holiday season, a certain degree of common sense is essential to distinguish the worthy from the unworthy among the more than 240,000 charities registered with the Internal Revenue Service.

Confusing your judgment, however, are "lookalikes" in the charity field. Like the purveyors of fake Tiffany or Rolex watches, unscrupulous entrepreneurs trade on the reputation of established charities by setting up organizations with similar names.

Many use words such as "National," "American," "Society," "Foundation," "Research," or "Institute" in their titles to give an exaggerated impression of their size, scope or importance. (Of course, these words are also used by very reputable charities.)

Of the roughly 400 national charities monitored by the National Charities Information Bureau (NCIB), a nonprofit industry watchdog, no less than 64 use "National" in their names and 56 use "American." About half of these do not conform to all standards of the bureau.

Many are involved in the fight against heart disease and cancer. NCIB president Kenneth Albrecht explains, "Because nearly everyone has a friend or family member who has been struck down by these afflictions, there's an impulse to get a donation."

A thorn in the side of the widely known American Heart Association (AHA) is the American Heart Disease Prevention Foundation, a miniscule operation in Monicclair, N.J., with only two paid staffers (compared to the AHA's 2,700). In 1987, the agency took in \$1.26 million, but allocated only \$35,000 for heart disease research, according to an official report prepared for the Connecticut attorney general.

Similarly, the Walker Cancer Research Institute, which operates out of a small office in Edgewater, Md., was confused with the Walker Laboratory of the esteemed Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

"We're getting calls from our donors saying they received letters and are shocked we are involved in such a shoddy fund-raising effort," said a vice president of Sloan-Kettering.

Established in 1981, the Walker Institute's 1988 report shows that only \$18,917 of the \$3.85 million it took in that year was spent on its mandate purpose of research, and that its fund-raising and administrative costs of \$4.1 million greatly exceeded revenue.

Particularly vexing to the American Cancer Society, perhaps the most widely respected of all charities, is the Cancer Fund of America, which was founded in 1987 by James Reynolds, a former American Cancer Society employee. Although based in Knoxville, Tenn., the new group uses a mailing address on Peachtree Road in Atlanta, Ga., which happens to be the same street with which the Atlanta-based American Cancer Society was located until recently.

"It seems to be a further attempt to cash in on the national recognition of the American Cancer Society name," says Michael Hester, a senior vice president of the American Cancer Society.

To compound the confusion, the Cancer Fund's name capitalizes on the traditional plea by American Cancer Society volunteers to join the cancer "fund." CPA fund-raising and door-to-door volunteer recruitment materials and methods also bear a striking similarity to the Cancer Society's.

Founded in 1982 by Frederick Roof, a former Catholic priest, the National Emergency Medicine Foundation (NEMFA), based in Towson, Md., is perhaps better known as National Heart Research, the name it has adopted more productive in its direct mail solicitations.

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 20, the 354th day of 1989. There are eleven days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On December 20, 1803, the Louisiana Purchase was formally transferred from France to the United States during ceremonies in New Orleans. The United States had paid the French about \$15 million for the territory, which effectively doubled the size of the country.

In 1790, the first successful cotton mill in the United States began operating at Pawtucket, R.I.

In 1820, Missouri imposed a bachelor tax on unmarried men between the ages of 21 and 50. The tax: \$1 a year.

In 1860, South Carolina became the first state to secede from the Union.

TV Topics

combat with his former NBC boss, Brandon Tartikoff, who still is NBC Entertainment president, with ABC, with the upstart Fox network and with the ever-growing cable monster.

With independent stations and videocassettes players also battling for viewers' attention, Sagansky has his work cut out. As he notes, "There's a lot more competition now than when NBC" made a comeback.

His philosophy for dealing with it all: "I think it's a case of really targeting your development for specific time slots and having a sense of showmanship, of putting shows on that intrigue viewers, that make a splash, that capture their attention."

"The hardest thing to do now is to sort of cut through all the media clutter with a new show."

Sagansky's first task will be to consider a midseason schedule, see which new series might replace fading ones, and

Crossword

ACROSS

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- 2 Blue sea
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CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher: Each letter in the cipher stands for a number, each number for a letter. Today's key: A=1, B=2, C=3, D=4, E=5, F=6, G=7, H=8, I=9, J=10, K=11, L=12, M=13, N=14, O=15, P=16, Q=17, R=18, S=19, T=20, U=21, V=22, W=23, X=24, Y=25, Z=26.

Answers to previous puzzles:

1. NALS L DSL OCN J
2. CV DUNKPK HLNACIJ
3. H KPL KPGCGOGL D
4. OCN CV NDOLPN, D
5. QDDJV, DPI, JCH L
6. USDUYU L K J L
7. WCAP TDSXHCBS L
8. PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Achievement is the end of endeavor and the beginning of disgust" — Ambrose Bierce.

TV Tonight

7:00PM (3) Inside Edition (1) Wheel of Fortune (CC) (2) Comedy Show (CC) (in Stereo) (1) People's Court (2) Kate & Allie (CC) (2) MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour (26) Police Story (3) 800 Current Affair (3) Cheers (CC) (8) Hunter (1) Hunter

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Thatcher praises courage

LONDON (AP) — The Soviet Union today swiftly condemned the U.S. military assault to seize Panamanian leader Manuel Antonio Noriega, while British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher praised it as a "courageous decision."

"Someone has to uphold democracy," Mrs. Thatcher said. "The actions of the United States and its allies are a very important contribution to the maintenance of the rule of law."

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Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ortíz of Spain said he "deeply lamented" the U.S. action. He said the Spanish government, "which always has been opposed to foreign military interventions, expresses its hope that the Panamanian people can decide their future in freedom."

Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama of Japan said he hoped the confrontation would end soon.

Japan has long been expressing its hope to see a democratic government established in Panama that reflects the will of the Panamanian people," the Kyodo news service quoted Nakayama as telling Japanese reporters. "This takes place as soon as possible."

In Moscow, Foreign Ministry spokesman Vadim Pavlov said, "These actions, a violation of the U.N. Charter and generally recognized rules of state relations, should be condemned by the international community. The United States must immediately stop its armed intervention in Panama."

Perfilov, quoted by the official Tass news agency, said the U.S. action, "whatever its motivation, has provoked a feeling of serious concern in the Soviet Union."

Bush

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was not based on hard evidence and he discounted their importance as a factor in the launching of a military action.

U.S. officials noted that leaders of a failed coup attempt last October said Noriega had been thinking of a military strike, Bush signed an order lifting U.S. economic sanctions against Panama and directing an orderly unblock of Panama's assets.

Separately, Bush issued a memo to the Pentagon specifically authorizing U.S. forces to apprehend Noriega and any other persons in Panama currently under indictment in the United States for drug-related offenses and to turn them over to U.S. law enforcement officials.

However, his declaration that Noriega had so far eluded the grasp of American forces left the overall success of the military mission in question.

Bush said Guillermo Endara, who won last May's election in results that Noriega refused to accept, was hastily sworn in as president of Panama and he said he was committed to implement the Panama Canal Treaties and surrender control of the canal to Panama in the year 2000.

Bush's swift action in contrast to his inaction last October, when he kept U.S. forces on the sidelines while some Panamanian generals sought to oust Noriega in a coup. Bush drew heavy congressional criticism at that time.

As evidence, Bush noted that Noriega last week declared his "military dictatorship" to be in a state of war with the United States. He also recalled a series of events in Panama over the past few days, including the fatal shooting of an American military officer.

"Tragically some Americans have lost their lives in defense of their fellow citizens, in defense of democracy," the president said. He expressed his condolences to their families and said he regretted that some innocent Panamanians also had been killed.



The Associated Press

SHIPPING OUT — Soldiers from Fort Ord, Calif., board a C-5 Galaxy in May 1989 for transport to Panama. American troops moved against Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega early today.

"We can kill you . . . Don't think we won't"

EDITOR'S NOTE — Candice Hughes, an AP correspondent based in Mexico City, had just checked into the Marriott Hotel when the fighting began. Here is her account of how she and other foreigners were held hostage by armed Panamanians.

By Candice Hughes
The Associated Press
PANAMA CITY — The fighting had just broken out in Panama City when a group of men dressed in civilian clothes and armed with assault rifles surrounded the Marriott Hotel and began rufing up guests.

For the next 4 1/2 hours, the men held us hostage, told us about their comrades who had already fallen in the battle and threatened to kill us. "All of us Panamanians have died, and we can kill you," one of them told New York Times correspondent Lindsey Graham. "Don't think we won't."

I had just checked into the hotel and come down to the sunken terrace when I saw armed men running in a crouched position by the swimming pool. Right about the same time I heard gunfire.

It was about midnight, and the U.S. assault had started. I made for the hotel's main building with several other reporters when a man with an assault rifle appeared and said, "Hit the floor."

He herded us over into the lobby, which was full of people. The gunman took people's passports, they searched our bags. "About a dozen of them took charge of me and 11 other foreigners, including two other correspondents. They told us they had surrounded the hotel."

Congress backs president

WASHINGTON (AP) — Members of Congress in both parties today supported President Bush's decision to send U.S. military force against Panama's Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, although one key senator said he should have consulted with Central American allies in advance.

"I support the president's decision," Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, said in a brief statement from Mexico City, where he was meeting with government officials. "It was made necessary by the reckless actions of Gen. Noriega."

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Noriega

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while running a military empire that purportedly trafficked in Colombian cocaine.

The bellicose Noriega survived two coup attempts, a losing election, and tough U.S. economic sanctions while brazenly flouting Washington's futile attempts to break his grip on power.

There was strong evidence in the two previous coup attempts of disaffection within the military with Noriega, and it was unclear how much of his support would hold after the U.S. attack.

At the Fort Clayton U.S. base outside the capital, U.S. charge d'affaires John Bushnell said Noriega "may take to the hills and be very hard to find . . . but he wouldn't have a significant force to actually do anything."

The Panama Canal, where about 30 ships cross the isthmus daily, was closed at 1 a.m. because of the fighting, according to Panama Canal Commission spokesman Franklin Castellon. He said landmines had caused the only previous canal closings.

The capital's sky was bright with the light of gunfire for hours; blacked-out planes and helicopters roared overhead under a full moon.

The U.S. assault began about midnight at forces dispatched from U.S. bases attacked Panamanian military headquarters, which witnesses in nearby apartments said was in flames at 12:40 a.m. and virtually destroyed by 2 a.m.

American troops from bases in the United States were airlifted in on Tuesday to augment the 12,000 soldiers based in Panama. Powell said another 9,500 troops from U.S. bases were sent to augment that.

Bush said Noriega's "reckless" behavior had "created an imminent danger to the 35,000 American citizens living in Panama."

Fighting also was reported at a Panamanian cavalry unit about seven miles east of the Defense Forces headquarters and at the Panamanian base Fort Clayton, about 20 miles from the capital.

Noriega's main bodyguard, Lt. Assumpto Galaz, spoke the radio network after dawn to say that Noriega was "well and in a safe place."

"Don't anyone give up your positions. The soldiers then asked the front desk for a list of guests and where they were staying. The desk said it did not have a list of them. There is no security at the hotel.

NBC television, meanwhile, said a CBS producer and an ABC producer were taken away from the Marriott at about 9:30 a.m. by plainclothes policemen carrying weapons.

Meanwhile, casualty reports were climbing. Dr. Marcel Pena of the Santo Tomas Hospital in Panama City said wounded had been coming in all night and the number increased with daylight.

Above all, Noriega has been survivor

PANAMA CITY (AP) — Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega became commander of the Defense Forces in 1983, giving him de facto control of the government.

Noriega was raised by foster parents and joined the Defense Forces in 1962. His ascent began when he caught the attention of Torrijos, then an ambitious young officer.

In his climb to the top, he dealt with everyone named in his column. He was like having the keys to the city, Noriega immediately began compiling dossiers on everyone who operated in Panama. The job also gave him close contact with U.S. intelligence agencies, and he formed powerful alliances.

One U.S. official who dealt with Noriega at the time, on drug enforcement efforts, said Noriega was polite but when it came to something he wanted, he was "the oldest man I ever met."

After Noriega became the Defense Forces commander, he acquired a fleet of expensive cars and a home in an exclusive neighborhood.

His financial interests reportedly included a vast array of businesses including hotels, casinos, a television station, radio stations, maritime services, busy liquor stores and prostitution.

Rumors about his personal life were plentiful, but Noriega denied them. Even his age was disputed. The general has said he is 51, but the date in his high school yearbook would make him 54.

He is married and has a daughter who lives in the Dominican Republic. Although his private life is that of a rich man, he worked hard to develop a populist image modeled on the release of Torrijos, spending weekends meeting with residents of towns and villages in this nation of 2 million.

Requests for help from homeless, hungry increasing

Mayors complain cities turning away the needy

By William M. Welch
The Associated Press

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