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Sweet dreams

Staff photo by Greg Gammon

Shaded from the hot afternoon sun by an umbrella, Janie Martinez intently watches a softball game at Krenek Tap Park while her son, 3 month old Mathew, seems a little more interested in sleeping. The Texas

Amateur Athletic Federation state women's slowpitch tournament was held at Krenek Tap Park in College Station this weekend. For more on the tournament, see SPORTS, page 7.

Bush: cuts are right medicine

United Press International
ATLANTA — Vice President George Bush said Monday the White House economic proposal will reduce inflation, interest and unemployment without jeopardizing the health or safety of Americans.
Bush spoke to about 150 civic and business leaders during an airport stopover before moving on to Baton Rouge, La., and Austin, Tex., in the hours before President Reagan was scheduled to address the nation on his economic plan.

"It appears that it will be a close vote," said Bush, "but we are absolutely convinced that it is the right medicine."
Bush said Reagan's three-year, 25 percent tax cut would bring down "unconscionable rates" of unemployment, interest and inflation.
He said easing government regulations in the work place and market place will save consumers \$15 billion to \$18 billion initially, and nearly \$6 billion each year af-

ter the plan is enacted.
"We're determined that the working place is going to be safe," said Bush. "We are determined that the environment is going to be clean, with sound environmental regulations."
Critics of the Republican budget plan have accused Reagan of seeking to repeal needed job safety regulations and encouraging the oil industry to exploit wilderness areas.
In his news conference, Bush expressed concern that some

"wavering" Democrats who voted with the president on budget cuts might not follow through with the rest of the package.
He refused, however, to characterize Reagan as worried.
"I wouldn't use the word worried, but I would use the phrase that he's going to do all he can," said Bush.
He said there was "a feeling" in Washington "that things were moving toward" the Republican position.

McKnight may run for governor in '82

United Press International
DALLAS — Sen. Peyton McKnight, D-Tyler, has announced he is considering running for governor in 1982 against Republican incumbent Bill Clements.
The announcement was contained in a newsletter McKnight mailed July 15 to some 8,000 key Texas Democrats in which he also criticized Clements.
He said, "I am considering running for governor as a Democrat. Your response will help me decide whether I should go ahead and run or merely pave the way for some other Democrat to defeat Clements."

In his letter, McKnight said if Clements was allowed another term, "state government will be radically changed from its traditional role of strong support for public education, our college and university systems, good highways and care for the handicapped and mentally ill."
McKnight Sunday said the letter was sent mainly to "Democratic party leaders," but it was possible some conservative Democrats who support Clements received the mailing.
Former Attorney General John Hill, who was defeated by Clements in 1978, is also expected to be candidate for governor.

Houston expects angels

United Press International
HOUSTON — There may be a Texas version of the Guardian Angels, a group that patrols New York City subway stations to ensure passengers' safety.
Two Angels representatives are scheduled to arrive today to help set up a similar plan.
Curtis Sliwa and Joe Perry planned to hold a news conference Tuesday to explain how young people can join their group.
Reaction to news the group — which some have described as vigilantes — planned to open a chapter in Houston has ranged from lukewarm to outright opposition.
Group officials said they expected 150,300 people to apply for membership to the chapter.

Applicants will be required to provide three letters of recommendation from civic leaders and cannot have a police record. Those accepted will be required to go

through a three month training program that will include physical fitness, knowledge of Texas law and learning how to make a citizen's arrest.

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