Dallas pastor missing for week

Family awaits identification of body found in burned car

DALLAS (AP) — Police have not identified the badburned body, but said it was found in the trunk of ar often driven by a Dallas pastor who has been

Friends and relatives of the Rev. Daryl McNealy, 31, associate pastor at the Greater El Bethel Baptist hurch in the city's Oak Cliff section, are bracing for

The burned-out car was found late Friday night. Poe said dental records will be checked in an effort to dentify the body.

Officials classified the case as a homicide but would

ot disclose the cause of death. Nira McNealy, the pastor's sister, said about 200 riends and family gathered Saturday at the McNealy amily home to pray.

The family is mystified about his disappearance,

"It's been frustrating and painful the last few days, ast not knowing," she said. "Everybody knows some-

The car, which had first been sighted in a wooded area of Oak Cliff on Wednesday, was reported burning about 11:15 p.m. Friday.

Firefighters found the body in the trunk after ex-

Family members said they were not alarmed when they did not see McNealy Tuesday or during the day on Wednesday.

But when he missed the family's Thanksgiving dinner Wednesday night, they knew something

"We realized that none of us had talked to him," McNealy said. "The red flag kind of came up. We knew something was wrong

The family reported him missing to police on Thursday after he failed to show up for a church ser-

'It is not in his character for us to go days without seeing him or hearing from him," the sister said. 'We're a close family and we try to keep up with each

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Ann Brown's bitter feelings are gone now, and she can even afford to cherish the portion of hem that remains.

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"I think God left a little bit of bit-erness within me," she said. "Not toward anyone in particular, but to-

ward the system. Brown walked out of prison 10 rears ago this month after a state appeals court overturned her convic-

tion in a deadly armed robbery. A decade later, the fire that burns inside Brown fuels her desire to help others she believes are harmed by

mation of its practi the judicial process. "Man maliciously prosecuted me and put me in prison," she said, "but God took the opportunity to cleanse me ... I see myself

as a better person." In 1990, Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price gave her a job, paying her out of his own pockrun a narrow rut b et when he could not immediately iks") and bizarres find a place for her on the county

e familial three-way payroll She made the most of her opporunity, climbing the ladder from dong office work to become Price's about the messe chief assistant.

Brown, 52, left her post in August she could take full-time control of - Stephe the nonprofit agency she founded in 1990, Mothers (Fathers) for the Adancement of Social Systems Inc.

The move fulfilled a pledge she made to use her freedom to help others.

'I made a conscious decision that I needed to come here full time," she said. "I had to make a decision. That decision is I stepped out on faith.

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> - Joyce Ann Brown founder of Mothers (Fathers) for the Advancement of Social Systems Inc.

The agency helps former prison inmates find jobs and get acclimated to society. It also uses her well-recognized name to focus attention on people wronged by the justice system. But it was not until now that she decided to dedicate all her time to running the four-person operation.

The organization's office is filled with reminders of Brown's life and

those who helped renew it. The most prominent is a postersized photo of Price, wearing a stern expression. Others include a smiling

Jenny Jones, among the television talk-show hosts to whom Brown has

told her story That story dates to 1980, when Brown and another woman, Rene Michelle Taylor of Denver, were arrested on charges of robbing a North Dallas fur store in which owner Rubin Danziger was shot to death as

Taylor's fingerprints were found on the getaway car, and she later admitted to the killing. Although there was no evidence that Brown and Taylor knew each other, the car had been rented to a Joyce Ann Brown of Denver.

Brown of Denver was tracked down in her hometown and admitted loaning the car to Taylor. Meanwhile. a police officer remembered a Joyce Ann Brown in Dallas who had some brushes with the law. Coincidentally, she was employed in a fur store.

Despite the lack of physical evidence linking Brown of Dallas to the crime, she was found guilty of being an accomplice, largely because of the testimony of Danziger's wife and a jail cellmate who said Brown admitted her participation.

Information eventually was revealed that the cellmate, Martha Bruce, was a convicted perjurer, and that prosecutors had failed to provide that information to de-

San Antonio police reporting robberies by unskilled thieves

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Authorities believe the city's newest bank robber is more brazen than bright.

A man in his 30s wearing a baseball cap and sunglasses entered a Bank One branch on Saturday. Appearing to brandish a gun, he de-manded cash from three tellers and fled with a bag of money.

Police found a toy gun in a near-by grocery parking lot, and they believe that was the robber's weapon.

While Saturday's robber is free so far, authorities cite a list of inept local bank robbers who haven't been so fortunate. Gerald Wayne Atkinson, a drifter from Illinois, was convicted

last month of unarmed robbery and attempted robbery in San Antonio and sentenced to 57 months in jail. Police said Atkinson walked into

a bank in March and handed a receptionist a holdup note.

The startled employee apologized, saying she did not han-dle money. Atkinson snatched back his demand note and hurried out the door.

Atkinson showed up at a nearby bank a few hours later, waited in line and handed a teller his letter — a polite note, ending with 'Thank you.

He walked away with cash but was quickly captured by officers still investigating his botched first job.
Karlton Halbert may be San

Antonio's oldest serial robber, embarking on a 15-month crime

The retired insurance agent was arrested in 1995 after trying to spend \$300 in bills that had been tainted red by an exploding dye pack.

Officers who searched Halbert's home found a hold-up note, more marked money and a wig that helped witnesses identify him.

'It wasn't very smart, that's for sur," the now 75-year-old grandfather of 10 told the San Antonio Express-News. He was released in May from a Fort Worth jail after serving a four-year sentence for unarmed bank robbery.

Hollywood sometimes portrays bank robbers as brilliant thieves who precisely carry out complicated schemes to outwit bankers and police. Experts said reality is much different — that many robbers act impulsively and are often unarmed.

"Usually it's just an opportunity that presents itself — people just wanting some quick money said Lt. Michael Akeroyd of the San Antonio police department's bank robbery unit. "They may be temporarily unemployed, trying to impress a girlfriend or strung

out on drugs. Federal authorities say they solve more than 60 percent of U.S. bank robberies. San Antonio officials say they make arrests in more than 65 percent of cases. This year, authorities have made arrests in 10 of Bexar County's 21

bank robberies Bank robberies have dropped 5.8 percent over the last three years nationally, to 7,584 in 1998, but they are increasing in Bexar County, from 18 in 1997 and 16 last year to the 21 since January, according to county records.

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rom the dusty northern plains rode their horses into Mexico City yesterday; this time it was not Pancho Vil-NAFTA)

Repeating Villa's famous feat — almost 85 years to the masses in a the day after the mustachioed rebel leader rode into sees national Tie the capital in December 1914 during the Mexican Reva in New York, solution — the group, El Barzon, rode 52 days over 1,000 miles (2,000 kms) from the border city of Ciu-Internet address dad Juarez to Mexico City.

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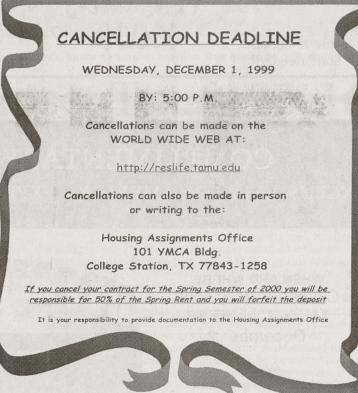
MEXICO CITY (AP) — Hundreds of nationalists lution, 30 million people live in poverty on Mexican farms?" one banner carried on the march read.

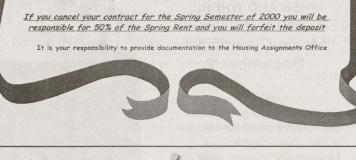
Oscar Chacon, a Ciudad Juarez native wearing a the biggest TV 12 la but a group protesting farm policy, agricultural imbroadcast network Dorts and the North American Free Trade Agreement mare, said the trade pact between the United States. Canada and Mexico was largely responsible for the farmers' problems.

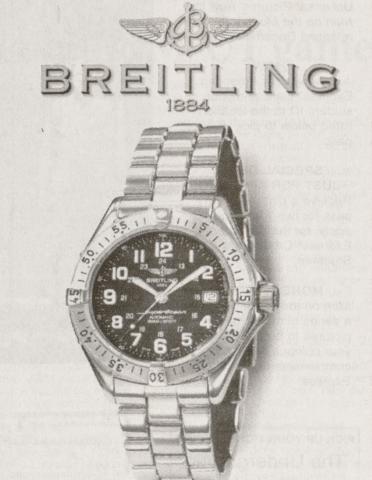
"We've got boxes of apples piled up unsold in Chihuahua," Chacon said. "Why are they letting in apples from the United States?'

El Barzon — which stages militant protests on behalf of farmers and debtors forced into insolvency by high interest rates — is demanding a renegotiation of NAF-TA to provide greater protection for Mexican farmers.

The procession included dozens of used U.S. cars and trucks that the Mexican government has not allowed to be legally imported, despite the fact U.S. vehicles are much cheaper than any available in Mexico.







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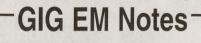
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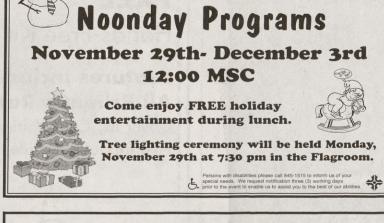
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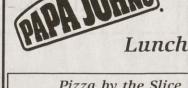
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