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State senators approve school charter project

AUSTIN (AP) - An 18-year-old who dropped out of public school after having a baby became Texas' first graduate of an independent charter school six months ago, soon after the experimental education program began.

With such students in mind, state senators on Tuesday voted to expand the charter program, which gives public funds to campuses that are independent of school districts, may be run by private entities and are free of many state regulations.

Under the bill by Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, the total number of charter schools allowed in Texas would increase from 20 to 80.

The move, made after applications for charter schools have poured into the Texas Education Agency, came despite concerns from another lawmaker that expansion is occurring too fast.

"They've been in existence seven months. Can we take a seven-month experiment and say, 'It's wonderful,?' " asked Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin. "I think we are proceeding too quickly."

Bivins said his measure isn't a declaration that the existing schools are successful. But he said it does reflect widespread interest in the program.

The State Board of Education would continue to have authority over who gets the charters under his bill. The state has received more than 280

requests for charter applications.

Bivins said he was particularly pleased that a large number of the schools are organized to serve disadvantaged students.

"I think we owe it to those kids to try something new," he said.

SPEEDY ADOPTIONS

Children removed from their parents because of abuse could be freed for adoption more quickly under legislation approved by the Senate. The bill, which goes to the House, also would create a paternity registry to make it easier to terminate the parental rights of fathers who don't claim their babies.

AMTRAK ON TRACK

Picante sauce picked as official Texas-style sauce

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"This is a very serious day," said Rep. Ruth Jones McClendon, D-San Antonio. Ms. McClendon authored

Amtrak would get a \$5.6 million loan to keep its Texas Eagle passenger train route running under legislation headed to the House. The House Appropriations Committee approved an emergency bill that includes general state funds for the loan. Train cars would be used as collateral.

HOT STUFF

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the picante sauce resolution.

"What we're doing is - if it passes - we're going to have picante sauce on the same level as the bluebonnet, as chili as the state dish, as the pecan tree as the state tree ... So this is very significant in the state."

The items passed through the committee unopposed Tuesday.

But Ms. McClendon said a fellow lawmaker had urged her to make barbecue sauce the official state sauce, even sending her a jar of the tangy stuff made by a constituent.

Ms. McClendon said the decision was easy. She said barbecue sauce didn't originate in Texas, like picante sauce.

"It's amazing. We have a natural resource that is born, manufactured here in the state of Texas that we have not previously recognized," Ms. McClendon said. "I think with this, it says that we have a valuable resource here in Texas that we value and we have a great deal of pride in, and no it's not New York City, it's Texas."

The choice of molecule had been the subject of debate because several were discovered or created by state scientists. But Rep. Scott Hochberg, D-Houston, said only one was recognized for a Nobel Prize.

Hochberg, D-Houston, moved one step closer to recognizing Rice University's Nobel Prize-winning "buckyball" - the whimsically nicknamed new form of carbon discovered by Rice chemists Rick Smalley and Robert Curl.

"The whole purpose of having a state symbol is to be proud of our state and to have fun," said Rep. Mike Wise, D-Westlaco.



Demonstrating intubation techniques

Paramedic Terry Hazlett, left, and Emergency Medical Technician Dava McGettes of Hereford Emergency Medical Services demonstrate intubation techniques on a mannequin at the Hereford Regional Medical Center Health Fair Tuesday. These techniques, where a tube is placed in the windpipe, allow a patient to breathe.

Gingrich accuses Arafat of waging terrorism war

WASHINGTON (AP) - House Speaker Newt Gingrich is accusing Yasser Arafat of waging a terrorism war against Israel and the Clinton administration of undermining Israel's security.

Speaking Tuesday to a pro-Israel lobby, Gingrich said the administration should adopt "principles that say, 'If you're a terrorist, you should not expect to live very long,'" and make a commitment "to pre-emptive strikes when we deem them appropriate."

The remarks drew an angry rebuke today from Marwan Kanafani, a spokesman for Arafat.

"Mr. Gingrich cannot improve his damaged image at the expense of the Palestinian people by issuing accusations ... in order to satisfy the Israeli lobby in the U.S.," Kanafani said. "He should use his position to try to push peace forward, which is the only way to save the lives of Palestinians and Israelis."

In the West Bank today, clashes erupted after the funeral of a Palestinian killed Tuesday by Israeli troops. Hospital officials said at least 30 people were injured by rubber-coated bullets.

Gingrich's speech to the American Israel Public Affairs Committee underscored Israel's strong support

in Congress even as the State Department seeks a compromise formula to reopen Mideast peace talks.

"It is extraordinarily dangerous to confuse the aggressor and the victim," Gingrich said in a speech that also attacked the news media for misrepresentation. "It is extraordinarily dangerous to confuse the terrorist and the democracy."

And, the speaker added: "It is extraordinarily dangerous to always impose the burden on those who are your friends because you're too timid to tell the truth to those who are your enemies."

Freezing rain, snow predicted

By The Associated Press
Patches of freezing drizzle and freezing rain fell across some areas of Texas Panhandle and South Plains early today and forecasts called for a chance of additional freezing precipitation and some snow for the Panhandle.

Cold air settled in over the northern half of Texas in the wake of a strong late-season cold front that had moved across most of the western half of the state by dawn today.

The front was located early today along a line from near Texarkana to

near Waco to just north of Del Rio. Temperatures dropped into the 20s before dawn in the Panhandle and into the 30s and 40s across West Texas and western areas of North Texas. It was 27 at both Amarillo and Dalhart.

West Texas will have mostly cloudy skies through Thursday except in extreme western areas and in the Presidio valley. Some fog and drizzle is expected in the area east of the mountains while the frozen precipitation is possible again tonight in northwestern areas.

The speaker called on the administration to force Arafat to
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'Operation Safe Prom' will focus on graduation parties

AUSTIN (AP) - Pronouncing high school proms and graduations as nights to remember, law enforcement officials introduced a plan to make the memories a little clearer.

"Graduations and proms are great events. We want to make sure their safe, pleasant memorable experiences," said Allan Shivers Jr., director of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

The TABC Tuesday announced its "Operation Safe Prom-Safe Graduation," targeting prom and graduation celebrations taking place at hotels and motels across the state. The agency hopes to have an enforcement presence at 60 percent to 70 percent of the state's high school celebrations this spring.

"We're not saying we're going to be able to hit every prom," said Greg Hamilton, TABC chief of enforce-

ment. "By heightening the awareness kids don't know if TABC is going to be at their prom or the next one."

Three area high school students attested to the need for the added enforcement.

"There's something to be said about underage drinking when students are more excited about post-prom activities than the actual event," said Kathleen Richter, a senior at Austin Westlake High School.

"The fact is teen-agers can and will drink if they find a way. And though there might not be a way to completely stop it. There are ways to deter it."

The TABC will perform minor sting operations in and around the area of prom and graduation celebrations as well as monitoring the parking lots and talking with event chaperones.



Twirling stars

Joscelyn Rogers, left, and Sabra Brownlow recently competed in the Bethany Tolley Studio twirling competition in Littlefield. The two twirlers won several trophies. Rogers, 7, and Brownlow, 13, will twirl Sunday in the regional twirling competition in Amarillo.

Local girls win twirling titles

Will advance to regional contests in Amarillo

By SHERRI MARTIN
Staff Writer

Sabra Brownlow and Joscelyn Rogers, wearing their bright, sequin costumes, are still smiling about their twirling performances. And smiling they should be.

The two twirlers won several trophies in the recent Bethany Tolley Studio twirling competition in Littlefield.

Brownlow, who competed in the 10-12 age group of beginner twirlers, took first in pageant, first in solo, first in strut and first in marching.

Rogers, who competed in the 7-9 age group of beginner twirlers, took first in two baton and second in solo.

More than 100 twirlers from North Texas, West Texas and the

Texas Panhandle performed in front of four judges for the top prizes.

"I was very happy," Brownlow said.

"Me, too," Rogers said.

Brownlow, 13, is the daughter of Johnny and Janice Brownlow. She is a seventh-grader at Hereford Junior High.

Rogers, 7, is the daughter of Joe D. and Cindy Rogers.

She is a second-grader at Tierra Blanca Primary School.

"They had big smiles. And the smiles hadn't quite gone away," Mrs. Brownlow said.

The twirlers take private lessons from Kelly Hamil of Canyon.

The two twirlers previously took lessons from Aimee Alley of Hereford, who is now attending

Texas A&M University in College Station.

Since she had seen Alley and others twirl, Brownlow said, she wanted to become a twirler.

"I always looked up to them and wanted to be like them," Brownlow said.

Brownlow, a fifth-year twirler, and Rogers, a fourth-year twirler, practice five to six hours a week.

Brownlow practices her twirling techniques at the junior high gym. Rogers, whose parents are both high school teachers, practices her twirling techniques at the high school.

Brownlow and Rogers will twirl Sunday in the regional twirling competition in Amarillo.

The state competition will be in June in Lubbock.

"I'm excited," Brownlow said.

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Local Roundup

HJH hosts sixth-grade open house

Hereford Junior High School will host a sixth-grade open house for sixth-graders and their parents from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday in the HJH varsity gym. A topic of discussion will be current school policies. Students and their parents will have the opportunity to walk around the campus and meet with teachers.

HHS bands to perform Thursday

The Hereford High School bands will perform at 7 p.m. in the HHS auditorium. The state solo and ensemble contest qualifiers will be announced following the performance. The bands will perform music for the UIL contest.

Juvenile board posts agenda

The regular meeting of the Deaf Smith County Juvenile Board will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the courthouse. The agenda items include minutes, office reports, re-certification of the Youth Home, discuss expansion of the Youth Home and discuss staff salary. The meeting is open to the public.

HISD to interview finalists

The Hereford Independent School District will hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Hereford Country Club. Trustees will interview finalists for the superintendent's position.

Candidate Forum planned

Hereford Educators Association and the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce will host the sixth annual Candidate Forum on Sunday, April 13. The event will be conducted from 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the banquet room of the HISD administration building. Candidates for positions on the hospital board, school board and the city commission have been invited to participate. Anyone having questions to ask the candidates should submit them to the chamber office, or school employees may submit their questions to the HEA representative on any campus.

More rain in forecast

Hereford recorded a high of 45 Tuesday and a low of 26 this morning. KPAN Weather reported .03 of an inch of rain overnight. Tonight, continued cloudy with areas of fog. A 40 percent chance of showers. Low around 40. South wind 15 to 25 mph and gusty. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High 55 to 60 with south to southwest wind 15-25 mph and gusty, shifting to the north late. Thursday night, mostly cloudy and turning colder with chance of rain. Rain may change to snow. Low in the middle 30s. Friday and Saturday, mostly cloudy and continued cool with a chance of rain.

Emergency Services

Activities reported by law enforcement agencies:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Criminal non-support charges filed against 27-year-old male.
- Theft of gasoline reported in the 1500 block of West 1st Street.
- Harassing phone calls reported in the 200 block of Ranger.
- Dog bite reported in the 700 block of Stanton Street.
- Domestic assault reported in the 100 block of Bradley Street.
- 29-year-old female arrested on theft warrant.

- 17-year-old male arrested on aggravated sexual assault of a child and indecency with a child warrants.
- Eighteen traffic citations issued.
- Two accidents with no injuries reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- No calls.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

- 29-year-old male arrested for engaging in organized criminal activity.
- Forgery reported.
- Criminal trespassing reported.

News Digest

AUSTIN - A plan to lower local school property taxes by more than \$3 billion a year - and pay for it with an expanded business tax and more state sales taxes - is inching its way toward the full House. The House Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding today continues work on the proposal, including a massive rewrite of the state tax system and a constitutional amendment for voters' approval.

WASHINGTON - A Texan at its helm, the national campaign committee for House Democratic candidates funneled more campaign cash to Texas than any other state during the 1996 election cycle.

AUSTIN - Texas colleges and universities could once again consider race in admissions under a bill before a House committee. Action on the bill, which adopts language from a court decision in a case known as Hopwood, was pending before the panel.

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SAN MARCOS - A group of community activists have taken their battle for free speech to the airwaves, taking over a FM designation that the Federal Communications Commission had planned to assign to a new station in Round Rock.

QUINTANA, Texas - A nine-hour standoff on a Texas beach ended when officers used a flash-bang bomb to distract a suicidal teenager from Kansas long enough for officers to seize the youth and free a 13-year-old runaway girl.

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AUSTIN - The optimism of a recently bustling oilpatch is tinged with lingering fears of growing U.S. dependence on foreign crude and the continued decline of Texan production, a state-of-the-industry meeting showed.

TYLER - A 21-year-old white man has been sentenced to 37 1/2 years in prison after he was convicted of urging a drinking buddy to murder a randomly selected homeless black man.

WASHINGTON - Home prices nationally kept up with inflation last year. But values in some cities - notably in upstate New York and Texas - dropped, while others in the Midwest and South steeply appreciated.



Cutting the ribbon

Charlene Pietsek, center, owner of the Assisted Living Home at 217 Ironwood, cuts the ribbon Wednesday during open house ceremonies sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce Hustlers.

The home offers living space for up to three senior citizens who need more help than personal care provides but aren't ready for the total care of a nursing home.

Americans to mail 120 million tax returns; some will sass IRS

WASHINGTON (AP) - When the Internal Revenue Service worker opened the tax return, powdery, gray ashes spilled to the floor.

"You took everything else. Why don't you take him, too!" wrote a widow who said she had enclosed her husband's remains.

Americans are expected to mail about 120 million tax returns to the IRS this season, and some folks feel compelled to enclose a little something extra.

Audits be damned, these people want to sass the IRS.

One taxpayer burned holes in a return and enclosed a note that said "Burn Baby Burn," said John DiBacco, executive vice president of the National Treasury Employees Union's chapter at the IRS service center in Philadelphia.

It's the workers in the 10 IRS service centers, where returns are processed, who suffer Americans' scorn for the Tax Collector.

"They act like it's us doing this to them. We pay taxes, too," DiBacco says. "Why don't they talk to their congressman?"

The IRS says that, overall, only a small fraction of tax returns are adulterated. Such tax-time hijinks probably won't increase the likelihood of audits. Depending on what taxpayers do, they could risk penalties or find their returns referred for possible criminal investigation, said IRS spokeswoman Jodi Patterson.

Some taxpayers, on the other hand, write thank-you notes to helpful employees. Cheery citizens also have been known to send in candy or an

occasional cigar. But during tax season, more of the mail is mean, the workers at the service centers report.

Cranky taxpayers use Band-Aids, sewing needles, nails, even chewing gum to attach W-2 income statements to their tax forms, said Teresa Hill, who works at the IRS service center in Kansas City, Mo.

A nurse once hooked her forms together with a hypodermic needle - no one knew if it had been used or not. Neither could they tell if the ashes that the widow sent were really human remains, she said.

IRS workers laugh off obscene photos filed with tax returns. One person enclosed a photocopy of his rump, a prank that an employee at the service center in Fresno, Calif., dismissed as "not very original."

Returns smeared with blood or

excrement are treated less lightly.

The California worker, who asked not to be identified by name, recalls one taxpayer sending in a 1040 that had clearly been used as toilet tissue.

Unfazed, the IRS laminated the form and then went ahead and processed it.

Another taxpayer created a scare when he sent in a long-barreled gun.

Worried that the package was booby trapped, security officers had it X-rayed before it was opened and the gun was found to be unloaded.

An enclosed note said: "This is the only thing of value I have. Please sell it and apply the money to my tax balance."

Tax preparers with H&R Block Tax Services Inc. also discourage people from enclosing messages - it creates confusion.

NASA considers make-up mission

Same crew, experiments may complete work in orbit in July

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - Astronauts and scientists who spent up to three years preparing for space shuttle Columbia's aborted flight may get to complete their work in orbit after all.

NASA is considering a make-up mission in July with the same crew and the same experiments.

"We have probably just undergone the best training program imaginable and we're ready to go fly," commander James Halsell Jr. said Tuesday evening, five hours after guiding Columbia to a safe landing.

NASA brought the seven astronauts back 12 days early because of an electric generator that had to be shut down in orbit to keep it from overheating and possibly exploding. It was only the third time in 16 years of space shuttle flight that NASA brought astronauts home early because of equipment failure.

The crew did not make much headway in completing \$100 million worth of experiments involving fire, metal, crystal and plants. The astronauts, for example, were able to ignite just 14 of 142 fires that should have been set to see how flames spread in weightlessness.

The few days of orbital research helped the astronauts hone their skills

for a possible reflight, said Roger Crouch, a NASA scientist who flew on the mission.

"In some ways, this could work out to make it a more meaningful flight in the long run," Crouch said.

"Certainly, this one was a bummer," he added.

Shuttle program manager Tommy Holloway said a decision on whether to repeat the mission in July will be made late this week or early next. If approved, it will mean rejuggling the flight schedule for the rest of the year.

In order for Columbia to return to orbit so soon, the bus-sized laboratory and most of its contents would have to be left on board to save time. NASA has not turned a shuttle around for flight so quickly since the mid-1980s.

"A reflight is just not a 'been there, done that,'" Halsell said. "We would approach it as a flight that we needed to prepare for in just the same manner as the first time, as seriously, and make sure we have all the details covered, all the possibilities thought about."

Columbia might have been able to fly the full 16-day, \$500 million-plus mission if NASA had delayed the flight and replaced the faulty

generator, called a fuel cell.

NASA detected a problem with the fuel cell 12 hours before Friday's liftoff but decided the brief jumps in voltage were no reason to delay the flight.

The fuel cell continued to exhibit wide swings in voltage in orbit, forcing the astronauts to shut it down Sunday. Columbia's two other fuel cells worked fine for the rest of the flight.

The three fuel cells on each shuttle use hydrogen and oxygen to produce electricity to power virtually all systems. NASA feared the defective

unit might overheat, causing the hydrogen and oxygen to mix and explode.

NASA plans to remove the failed fuel cell and send it for analysis to the manufacturer, International Fuel Cells of South Windsor, Conn. It could be two to three weeks more before engineers determine what went wrong.

Whatever the cause, officials did not expect the problem to delay Atlantis' docking mission next month with the Russian space station Mir.

"We will have three pristine fuel cells," Holloway promised.

GINGRICH

make a choice between "honest involvement in the peace process or clear hostility with the United States of America."

Gingrich contended the Clinton-Gore administration is undermining Israel's security by treating "with moral equivalence Palestinian violence and Israeli housing."

And, Gingrich said, so do the media when the new housing project for Jews in Jerusalem is described as a settlement and as being in Arab east Jerusalem.

Clinton, low-keyed by contrast,

urged that his quiet diplomacy in trying to reopen Mideast peace talks not be written off as a failure.

"I would not conclude from the fact that I'm giving very noncommittal answers that I don't think there's a chance that we'll get it going again," he said at a news conference. "I think there's a very decent chance that we can."

Hasan Abdel-Rahman, the Palestine Liberation Organization representative in Washington, and Hanan Ashrawi, a senior Palestinian official and spokeswoman, brought Ross a message from Arafat.



Discussing healthcare

Hereford Regional Medical Center sponsored a Health Fair in the Hereford Community Center Tuesday. More than 30 exhibitors participated in the fair, where free healthcare information and health screenings were given to the public. Here, from left, Hereford Emergency Medical Services Paramedic Joe Hamby, Gloria Hunter and Grace Bennett discuss the Vial of Life.



AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 8-13-28-31-37 (eight, thirteen, twenty-eight, thirty-one, thirty-seven)

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-7-5 (zero, seven, five)

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Lifestyles



Junior Miss winners

Samarah Sciumbato, center, daughter of Albert and Betty Sciumbato, was the winner in the Junior Miss division of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant held Saturday at the HISD Administration Building. Junior Miss contestants must be 7th, 8th or 9th graders. First runner up was Kristin Casey, right, daughter of Butch and Sherri Casey. Second runner up was Shayla Moore, left, daughter of Will and Shelly Fellers.



Winners in Little Princess division

Jami Nicole Riley, center, daughter of Richard and Angie Riley, placed first in the Little Princess division of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant. Little Princess contestants are 4th, 5th and 6th graders. First runner up was Bianca Jasmine Riley, right, also daughter of Richard and Angie Riley. Second runner up was Stacy Ann Zepeda, left, daughter of Robert and Ana Zepeda.

Ann Landers

Parental abandonment can have profound impact throughout life

Dear Ann Landers: I recently saw two interviews on TV that prompted me to write about the effect of parental abandonment on children, a subject I know a lot about. When my oldest son, "Bob," was only 9 months old, I divorced his father because of his perpetual infidelity and unemployment. He made no child support payments and never contacted us again. At the time, I believed my love for my son would be enough and it wouldn't matter that his father had dropped out of his life.

Bob's problems began in high school with heavy drinking, fighting, failing grades and depression. We went to counseling together, which revealed that the root of his explosive anger was his sense of abandonment by his father. Bob refused to talk about this because it was too painful.

One of the TV interviews I mentioned was with the comic Rodney Dangerfield, who said his father was never around and quickly added that he didn't want to talk about it further because it was too difficult. At 74, he still feels the sting of abandonment.

The other interview was with NBA star Dennis Rodman. When asked about his explosive temper, he said he didn't believe he had any behavioral problems. It was like watching my teen-age son -- the same denial and anger. I learned in reading about Dennis that his father was never around and his mother had to raise him alone.

I hope schoolteachers, parents, coaches and others will realize when dealing with problem students that parental abandonment can have a profound negative impact, no matter how good a job the remaining parent does. If I had known this many years ago, I might have handled Bob's problems better. -- K.S.

Dear K.S.: Thank you for a letter that is sure to help parents understand the ramifications of abandoning a child.

Here's an update on NBA star Dennis Rodman. His father, whom he had not seen since he was 2 years old, came to Chicago to watch his son play a few weeks ago. Dennis did exceptionally well that night but refused to meet with his father. Too bad. It could have been the beginning of the healing process, which would have benefited all concerned.

Dear Ann Landers: Your advice to "K.C. in Washington" about handling her argumentative parents was only partly useful. I, too, had argumentative parents. They were fine parents but not very good friends to each other.

Growing up, I had no control over

their behavior, but once I married and had children of my own, things changed. When my 6-year-old daughter told me she gets upset when she sees her grandparents fight, I knew it was time to get involved.

I spoke to my parents on the phone and said, "By the way, there's something I need to say to you both. I'm tired of the way you two argue constantly, even in public. It bothered me as a child, and now it is bothering my kids. From now on, when you are in my home, you will not argue, and you will not be unkind to one another, and you will respect the peace of my house. Is that clear?"

I was terrified, but I stood my ground. Things have improved dramatically since then, and our visits

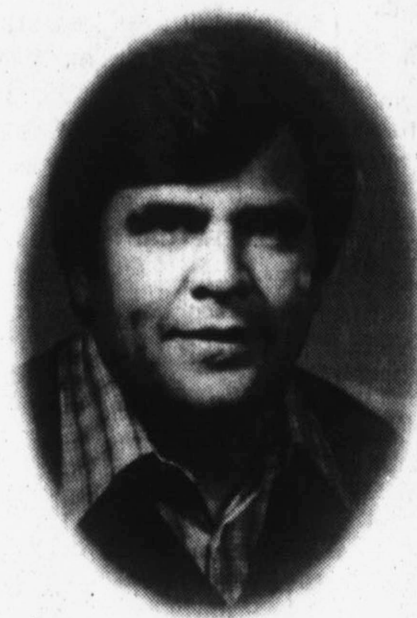
are much more enjoyable. -- Found Peace in Richmond, Va.

Dear Richmond: A million thanks for writing. Your letter is going to encourage others whose parents bicker and quarrel to speak up and say, "No more of this will be tolerated. Our children don't see battling in our home, and we don't want them to see it from you. Thank you very much." That should do it.

When planning a wedding, who pays for what? Who stands where? "The Ann Landers Guide for Brides" has all the answers. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Brides, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562.

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MENUS

THURSDAY-Meat loaf, great northern beans, mixed greens, cabbage/green pepper slaw, onion slices, cornbread, mixed fruit; or smothered chicken.

FRIDAY-Salmon loaf, au gratin potatoes, buttered peas, stewed tomatoes, dill pickle spears, cornbread, apricot tapioca; or beef-ham loaf, apricots.

MONDAY-Chicken fillet, baked potato with topping, okra and tomatoes, coleslaw, biscuit, ice cream with fruit topping; or hamburger steak, peaches.

TUESDAY-Roast turkey, giblet gravy, cornbread dressing, green beans, cranberry gelatin salad, angel food cake, rolls; or D'zerta Jello.

WEDNESDAY-Mexican stack, Spanish rice, pinto beans, salad fixings, tostados, pineapple oatmeal cookies; or turkey stack, vanilla wafers.

ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting 9-11 a.m., choir practice 1-2 p.m., HSCA board meeting 12 noon, Blood pressure 9 a.m.-12 noon, Thrift Shop open 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

FRIDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., Thrift Shop open 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Wildflower Tour.

SATURDAY-Games 12 noon-4 p.m.

MONDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class 1-4 p.m., Hereford Retired School Employees Association 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

TUESDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., Miracle Ear 10 a.m.-12 noon, decorative tole painting

1-3 p.m., Diabetic Support Group 1 exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., ceramics 1-3 p.m., birthday social 11 p.m.

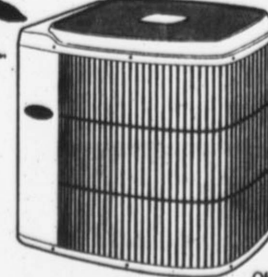
WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, a.m.-12:30 p.m.

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Sports

Rodriguez not ready to throw in Herd towel

By TOMMY WELLS
Managing Editor

On paper, the Hereford Whiteface baseball team looks like the Titanic. More than once it has appeared to have been hit amidsthip by an iceberg and on the verge of sinking.

That's on paper - and not real life, according to Whiteface head coach Pete Rodriguez.

"It's just been a play here or an error there," said Rodriguez. "We could easily be 3-3 in district right now if we had managed to make a play or two. I really feel like we can

play in this district."

Rodriguez has a point. Despite lopsided losses to Randall and Caprock, the Whitefaces have not been dominated by any team. In fact, no team — without a bit of Hereford help — has managed to run away from the Herd. In Hereford's six district setbacks, the Whitefaces have been outscored by a 52-21 clip. Of those 52 runs given up by the Herd, 34 have come via errors or miscues.

Those things, and a 10-game losing streak, make it even more important for Hereford to bear

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Pete Rodriguez
HHS head baseball coach
on Hereford's season

down and play fundamental baseball, Rodriguez said.

"We just need to make the fundamental plays and try and get some confidence back in our game," he said. "We want to win a game and get some respect back. It's been a long time since we've won"

Due to recent inclement weather, Hereford will get a lot of chances to find their first district wins this weekend. The Whitefaces are slated to travel to Dumas tomorrow to make up a game postponed due to rain. From there, they will travel to Canyon on Friday and then return

home Saturday to face Borger.

"We need to win all seven of our remaining games if we want to have a shot at the playoffs," Rodriguez said. "I don't think we're out of it, but we do need to win them all or we'll be through."

The Whiteface bats have returned to the scene over the past two games. Hereford had cranked out nearly 10 hits apiece in their last

two outings and scored 14 runs. Leading the HHS assault is lead-off hitter Tate Head, who managed to reach base and score in almost every game he has played this fall, and Andrew Ramirez.

If bad weather should strike the area again and force another round of postponements, Hereford could wind up their season by playing seven games in 15 days.

Bezner, Lady Whitefaces closing in on another berth in Region I-4A field

By TOMMY WELLS
Managing Editor

DUMAS - When it comes to qualifying for the Region I-4A Golf Tournament, the Hereford Lady Whitefaces are regarded by many as the closest thing to a dynasty. And well they should be, the Lady Whitefaces have qualified for the postseason party every year but one since...well, since the moon was the size of a marble.

Or at least since 1985.

With that in mind, it should come as no surprise that the Hereford linksters are just 18 holes — or one round — of good golf play away from making it back to regional for the 12th time in 13 years. The Lady Whitefaces stand in second place heading into Thursday's final round of the District 1-4A race. They hold a 23-stroke lead on Randall for the 1-4A runner-up spot.

"I think they're doing a good job," said Hereford head coach Stacy Bixler. "They're playing very good golf right now. They just need to relax and play like they have been," he added.

The final leg of the 1-4A race is slated to be held tomorrow at

DISTRICT 1-4A GOLF (After 3 rounds)

Team	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Tot
Girls				
1. Pampa	369	364	349	1082
2. Hereford	375	403	365	1143
3. Randall	409	392	369	1169
4. Borger	401	402	407	1210
5. Pampa JV	434	423	396	1243
6. Hereford JV	455	467	432	1354
7. Canyon	464	460	416	1340
8. Dumas	455	472	393	1320
9. Caprock	497	489	452	1354
10. Randall JV	510	519	484	1513
Borger JV	459	463	415	922
HEREFORD PLAYERS				
Jacque Bezner	85	97	85	270
A. Killingsworth	96	99	90	285
Stephanie Bixler	96	106	93	295
Katie Bone	103	101	94	298
Lindsay Ward	98	112	96	306

Comanche Trails Municipal Golf Course in Amarillo. Tee time is slated for 9 a.m. with a shotgun start.

The Pampa Lady Harvesters have all but locked up at least the No. 2

seed in loop play. The Lady Harvesters hold a 63-stroke lead over Hereford, and a 86-stroke advantage over Randall.

With the wind calmer than in the two previous rounds, Pampa padded its lead Saturday. The Lady Harvesters, who had entered the third leg of the district tournament holding a 45-stroke lead over Hereford, hammered out a tournament-low round of 349 and finished the first three stages with a total of 1,082. The Lady Whitefaces, despite trimming 38 shots from their previous effort, carded a 365 and went into the final round with a combined score of 1,143.

Randall is third overall at 1,169, while Borger stands in fourth at 1,210.

Jacque Bezner continued her bid to qualify for regional on the individual level. The Hereford star shot a third-round mark of 88 and moved to within one stroke of Pampa's Christina Gage for the No. 2 medalists position. Bezner has a three-day total of 270. Randall's Kacey Henderson leads the medalist race with a mark of 259.

Amy Killingsworth posted her

best effort of the tournament in the third round. She fired off a round of 90 - bettering her previous best of 96 in the opening stage of the 1-4A marathon by better six.

"I feel good about her chances (at medaling)," Bixler stated. "She's playing well right now. I think she's going to come out and have a good round Thursday."

Stephanie Bixler, Katie Bone and Lindsay Ward also posted their best scores of the tournament. Bixler notched a third-round score of 93, while Bone and Ward finished at 94 and 96, respectively.

The HHS junior varsity is sixth after the first three rounds. The Lady Whitefaces scored a total of 443 Saturday, upping their tournament total to 1,354 - just 12 stroked behind Pampa, the highest seeded JV squad going into tomorrow's finale.

Kristen Cole led the Lady Whiteface JV with a round of 98. Jennifer Phipps and Michelle Bixler each carded a 106. Lisa Coneway and Sheena Stokes also played well.

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Whiteface boys tied for third heading into tomorrow's District 1-4A finale

DUMAS - With three rounds under their belt, the Hereford Whitefaces find themselves right where they wanted to be when the District 1-4A golf tournament began — right in the middle of the race for the district championship.

Hereford, which is gunning for its 12th spot in the Region I-4A tournament in the last 13 years, is in a tie for third place in the overall team standings as the district tournament heads into its final round tomorrow. The Whitefaces turned in a round of 331 Saturday in Dumas and tied Canyon with a three-round total of 1,006 - just two strokes behind Randall and Pampa, who are tied for second.

HHS head coach Stacy Bixler isn't sweating bullets of the prospects of having to climb over three teams in order to claim at least the No. 2 seed in district. It's something his team has done before.

"I think they have a good shot at

it (making regional)," he said. "We just have to play a good round, and play like we can. It just tests your composure. I think you can always try to improve you game. It's a lot

like football where you try and eliminate turnovers. If we can eliminate some of our mistakes and play

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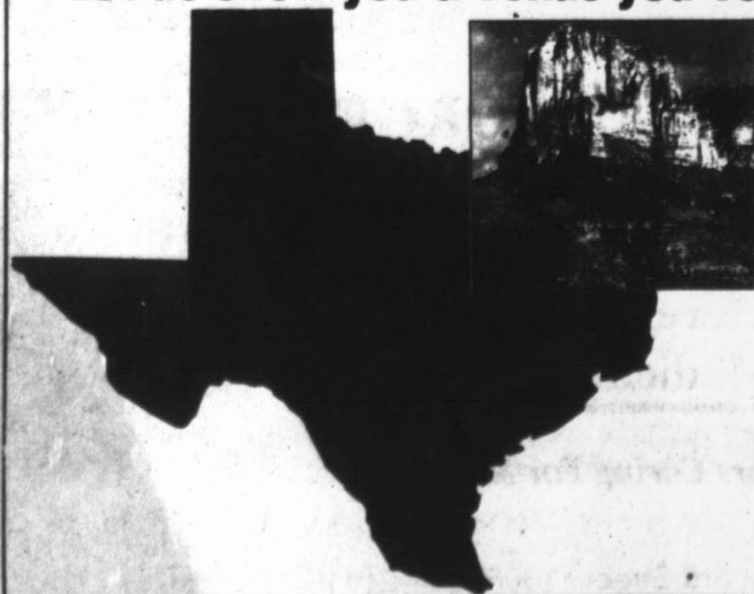
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Chicago	2	3	.400	1

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Anaheim	3	4	.429	1
Seattle	3	4	.429	1
Texas	2	3	.400	1

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East Division				
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Atlanta	5	2	.714	1
Montreal	3	4	.429	3
New York	3	5	.375	3 1/2
Philadelphia	3	5	.375	3 1/2

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	5	2	.714	-
Cincinnati	3	4	.429	2
Pittsburgh	3	4	.429	2
St. Louis	1	6	.143	4
Chicago	0	7	.000	5

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San Diego	5	3	.625	1/2
San Fran.	4	3	.571	1

Tuesday's Games				
Toronto 100, Washington 94				
Miami 94, New Jersey 92				
Cleveland 93, New York 73				
Orlando 97, Milwaukee 82				
Dallas 87, Portland 82				
San Antonio 96, Denver 90				
Phoenix 115, Minnesota 107				
Houston 127, L.A. Clippers 117				
L.A. Lakers 109, Golden State 85				
Sacramento 109, Vancouver 93				

Wednesday's Games				
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.				
Boston at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.				
Chicago at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.				
L.A. Lakers at Utah, 8 p.m.				

Thursday's Games				
Orlando at Toronto, 7 p.m.				
Chicago at New York, 7:30 p.m.				
Milwaukee at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.				
Detroit at Miami, 7:30 p.m.				
Seattle at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.				
Vancouver at Houston, 8:30 p.m.				
Portland at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.				
Minnesota at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.				
Denver at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.				
Phoenix at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.				

Friday's Games				
Boston 13, Oakland 7				
Seattle 14, Cleveland 8				
Anaheim 10, N.Y. Yankees 9, 12				

Saturday's Games				
Minnesota (Tewksbury 0-1) at Detroit (Moehler 0-0), 1:05 p.m.				
Toronto (Clemens 1-0) at Chicago White Sox (Alvarez 0-1), 2:05 p.m.				
Boston (Sele 1-0) at Oakland (Karsay 0-0), 8:15 p.m.				
Cleveland (Colon 0-0) at Seattle (Wolcott 0-1), 6:35 p.m.				
Texas (B. Witt 0-0) at Milwaukee (D'Amico 0-0), 7:05 p.m.				
Baltimore (Kamieniecki 0-0) at Kansas City (Rosado 0-0), 8:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees (D. Wells 0-0) at Anaheim (Watson 0-0), 10:35 p.m.				

Sunday's Games				
Florida 5, Chicago Cubs 3				
Atlanta 4, Houston 2				
St. Louis 2, Montreal 1				
Pittsburgh 2, San Diego 0				
N.Y. Mets 5, Los Angeles 3				
Philadelphia 2, San Francisco 1				

Monday's Games				
Philadelphia (Munoz 0-1) at San Francisco (Rueter 0-0), 3:35 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Bones 0-0) at Colorado (M. Thompson 1-0), 5:05 p.m.				
Houston (Kile 0-1) at Atlanta (Neagle 0-0), 7:40 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (Mlicki 0-0) at Los Angeles (Park 0-1), 10:35 p.m.				
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BOYS

well, we can make it." "It's sort of the same situation we were in here in our tournament. We were down going into the final round. Our kids responded to that and did well," he added.

The Whitefaces, hampered by a stiff wind late in the meet, finished fifth in the standings in Saturday's third round.

Borger leads the overall race for the district crown, having compiled a total of 984 through the first three stages. They highlighted their impressive run with a stellar effort Saturday. The Bulldogs shot a tournament-best of 315 over the 18-hole course.

Even so, Borger is far from a lock. The Bulldogs hold a slim 18-stroke lead over Randall and Pampa, and just a 20-stroke advantage of the Whitefaces and Canyon. "I feel like we're still in it," Bixler said.

One HHS player who is definitely eyeing a postseason bid is Keith Riley. The Whiteface standout turned in a third-round score of 86 and moved into a tie with Caprock's Jeremy Dodeavy for the district's top spot.

The top two individuals, as well as the top two teams, advance to the Region 1-4A Golf Tournament in

DISTRICT 1-4A GOLF

Boys				
Team	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Tot
1. Borger	337	332	315	984
2. Randall	337	341	326	1004
3. Hereford	337	338	331	1006
3. Canyon	342	339	325	1006
6. Caprock	350	357	342	1049
7. Pampa JV	356	348	346	1050
8. Borger JV	394	366	347	1057
9. Hereford JV	358	355	345	1058
10. Randall JV	356	369	347	1072
11. Canyon JV	356	391	370	1117
12. Dumas	417	400	361	1178
13. Caprock JV	433	498	406	1237
14. Dumas JV	492	497	453	1442

two weeks. The 1-4A event is scheduled to be played at the Riverside Country Club in San Angelo on April 21-22. In addition to Riley, the Whitefaces also have two other golfers

Cut forces Tyson to postpone boxing rematch with Holyfield

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Evander Holyfield had to wait five years to beat Mike Tyson after their first fight was postponed. So a 56-day delay didn't look so bad this time around.

"It isn't going to deter him from beating Mike Tyson again," Holyfield's attorney, Jim Thomas, said. "He's just going to have to do it a little later."

Tyson was forced to postpone his scheduled May 3 rematch with Holyfield on Tuesday after a cut suffered last month on a head butt in sparring refused to heal.

Now, the two fighters are scheduled to meet June 28 at the MGM Grand Garden for the WBA heavyweight title that Holyfield won by stopping Tyson in a shocking upset last November.

"What can I do? These things

happen," said Tyson, a mark clearly visible on his left eye.

Indeed they do in boxing, although they seem to happen to Tyson more often than to other fighters.

Ever since his first fight with Frank Bruno was postponed nearly a decade ago, Tyson has postponed a total of seven fights for various reasons. It marked the second time he had postponed a fight with Holyfield, who he was originally set to meet in 1991 before suffering bruised ribs.

This time, it was a head butt in sparring March 17 that first cut Tyson around his left eye. He had it stitched up and stopped sparring for two weeks, but reopened the cut last Wednesday in another sparring session. He received 10-12 stitches to close the wound.

HYSA to hold Cinco De Mayo tourney

The Hereford Youth Soccer Association will be holding a Cinco De Mayo Tournament on May 3-4. Enrollment will be limited. Teams will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. The entry fee for the event is set at \$100 per team, due at the time of registration. Deadline for registering is April 19, 1997.

Rosters for the event will be required 15 minutes prior to the start of the first game. All players

must be registered through the North West Texas Soccer Association.

The HYSA Cinco De Mayo Tournament will have three divisions, including an Adult Co-ed; an Under-19, and a Under-10 classification.

Teams wishing to enter the tournament should mail their registration to: Emilio Romero, Box 2104, Hereford, Texas, 79045, or call (806) 364-8736.

standings. They rank third among all JV squads entered with a tally of 1,058. Randy Mason and Cal Wallace had strong performances for the HHS squad. Mason shot an 89 and upped his total to 268, while Wallace chipped in a third-round mark of 86 and climbed to 273 overall. Bryant McNutt and Kent Reinart also played well. The final leg of the District 1-4A Tournament is scheduled to begin tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. at the Comanche Trails Municipal Golf Course in Amarillo.

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Names in the News

NEW YORK (AP) - Billy Bob Thornton's "Sling Blade" has him doing the Hollywood hustle. "I'm headed to get my tuxedo fitted for the Oscars," Thornton told the Daily News in a hurried interview via carphone. "I'm kind of late on the deal. I mean, everyone else had theirs for a month."

Just days before Monday's Academy Awards ceremony, Thornton relished the impact independent films are having on the

industry. "I guess a lot of people are getting tired waiting around for the studios to get with it," Thornton said in the story published Sunday. "People want to see regular movies again. They've been bombed out by these action movies. They want to see movies about people."

Thornton was nominated for best actor and best adapted screenplay for the story of a retarded man with homicidal tendencies.

Theater group bridges cultural gap

WACO, Texas - Staring straight ahead, Jenni Cates dips into her chocolate pudding and fires off the lines of the general she will become on stage.

It's shortly after 5 p.m., the beginning of her actress workday, and the Waco High School junior wants a few more moments with the script.

Cates is one of more than a dozen teen-agers who work in Imagine Nation Theatre, a new company designed to provide theater experience in a multicultural environment.

Public performances of the company's first production, "Under the Sycamore Tree," will be April 3, 4 and 5 in the downtown Waco Hippodrome Annex next door to the Waco Hippodrome Theater.

"We want it to be a way for kids from different cultural backgrounds to come together," said Rob Dippel, executive director of the Waco Hippodrome Theatre. "Celebrate the diversity that exists here rather than stay so divisive."

This is a professional gig: Students work on an hourly basis for minimum wage.

The program is the theater part of the Waco BRIDGE - Building Resources in Developing General Education - project, aimed at developing and supporting community-based arts education programs to stimulate artistic activity and awareness in low-income and underserved areas.

Funding for Imagine Nation comes from the city of Waco, the Texas Commission on the Arts, the Cooper Foundation and the Heart of Texas Council of Governments.

Diversity enriches the process of acting, said students in the company.

"You get input from different backgrounds, cultures, not just the same people," said Tashalida Busby, a Waco High junior, who is playing the queen in "Under the Sycamore Tree."

"If everyone's from the same background, everyone would know what to look forward to," she said. "Every day is something different here. No two people in this room look

the same or act the same."

Part of the program focuses on at-risk youth: Fifteen students from the Waco Independent School District's secondary Alternative School work three afternoons a week on scenes, improvisation and technical aspects of theatre.

"This is something totally new and different," said Marcia Anderson, WISD's coordinator of alternative programs.

Anderson said the program works well for at-risk children, but "I think it's an excellent way to work with kids period."

Imagine Nation Theatre is also putting together two touring children's shows that will perform this spring for different neighbor-

hoods or groups, partly with the idea of attracting children to the art.

"Theater is cool," Dippel said. "Performing is cool. I think there's still that mystique we can take advantage of and use."

The lessons learned in acting and in studying a character can work in high school life too, said David Legore, artistic director for Imagine Nation Theatre.

In a rehearsal, Legore asks repeatedly about the goals of the characters and what each character is trying to get across. He wants students to look at the obstacles to that goal, the character's tactics and expectations.

"By learning a little bit about goals and obstacles from an acting

standpoint, you soon know to translate that into your real-world situation," Legore said.

The education can also touch on the basics of how plot develops or how a student comprehends a passage.

Through skits that require improvisation, youths often end up exploring how they respond to conflicts.

"This type of approach has huge potential for conflict resolution," Legore said. "Theatre is a way in which we can approximate life and still be able to step back and say, 'what you did here shows such and such tendency.'"

Television

WEDNESDAY

APRIL 9

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Traveling show based on Patsy Cline story will be held Friday in HHS auditorium

Country music fans, young and old, will not want to miss a night of music, nostalgia and laughter.

The Hereford Community Concert Association will sponsor The Amarillo Little Theatre's (ALT) traveling show "Always...Patsy Cline" at 7:30 p.m. April 11 in the Hereford High School auditorium.

Advance tickets are \$5 for Community Concert members and \$7 for non-members.

Individual student tickets are \$5. Also, group rates are available.

The musical is based on the true story of country and western singer Patsy Cline.

Tammy Hysmith of Fritch made her debut with ALT when it was presented on stage in Amarillo recently.

Hysmith wowed the audiences with her replication of the Cline's singing.

Those who were fans of this country music legend will reminisce and enjoy the renditions of Cline favorites such as "Crazy" and "Walkin' After Midnight" among more than 20 other songs.

"Always...Patsy Cline" centers around the relationship of Louise Seger (Cindy Bulla) and Cline from 1957, when she was just simply beginning her rise to fame, until her death in 1963.

It is a simple, heartfelt tribute that centers not so much on Cline's biography, but rather on how her music affected the lives of people who still find her classics fresh and vital today.

An ensemble of western musicians led by ALT Music Director Loren J. Strickland along with a technical support team headed by ALT's Gregg Dunlap will accompany the cast.

Sell-out crowds have seen this show in Clarendon, Claude and Vega. Hereford should be no exception.

To purchase tickets, contact 364-0294, 364-3486, 364-3717.

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Miss Petite winners

Jori Danielle Porter, center, daughter of Doak and Kim Porter was the winner in the Miss Petite division of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant. Miss Petite contestants must be 1st, 2nd or 3rd graders. First runner up was Haley Ann Easley, left, daughter of Wade and Leslie Easley. Second runner up was Shayla Wilcox, right, daughter of Scott and Missy Wilcox.

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Winners in Cutest Miss division

Kayla Collier, center, daughter of Matt and Kathleen Collier was named winner in the Cutest Miss division of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant. The Cutest Miss division is open to pre-school and kindergarten girls. First runner up was Brittany Jones, right, granddaughter of Ronnie and Wanice Jones. Second runner up was Vanessa Ann Munoz, left, daughter of Dean and Lisa Munoz.

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, April 9, the 99th day of 1997. There are 266 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 9, 1865, Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered his army to Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House in Virginia.

On this date:

In 1682, the French explorer Robert La Salle reached the Mississippi River.

In 1833, the nation's first tax-supported public library was founded in Peterborough, N.H.

In 1939, singer Marian Anderson performed at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., after she was denied the use of Constitution Hall by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

In 1940, Germany invaded Denmark and Norway.

In 1942, during World War II, American and Philippine defenders on Bataan capitulated to Japanese forces; the surrender was followed by the notorious "Bataan Death March" which claimed nearly 10,000 lives.

In 1947, a series of tornadoes in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas claimed 169 lives.

In 1959, NASA announced the selection of America's first seven astronauts: Scott Carpenter, Gordon Cooper, John Glenn, Gus Grissom, Wally Schirra, Alan Shepard and Donald Slayton.

In 1963, British statesman Winston Churchill was made an honorary U.S. citizen.

In 1983, the space shuttle Challenger ended its first mission with a safe landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

Ten years ago: Responding to charges of bugging at the new U.S. Embassy in Moscow, Soviet officials

displayed microphones and other gadgets they said were found in Soviet missions in the United States.

Five years ago: Former Panamanian ruler Manuel Noriega was convicted in Miami of eight drug and racketeering charges; he is serving a 40-year prison sentence. Britain's Conservatives came from behind to become the first British political party to win four straight elections this century.

One year ago: In a dramatic shift of purse-string power, President Clinton signed a line-item veto bill into law. Dan Rostenkowski, the once-powerful House Ways and Means chairman, pleaded guilty to two mail fraud charges in a deal that brought with it a 17-month prison term.

Today's Birthdays: Former U.S. Sen. Abraham A. Ribicoff, D-Conn., is 87. Playboy magazine founder Hugh Hefner is 71.

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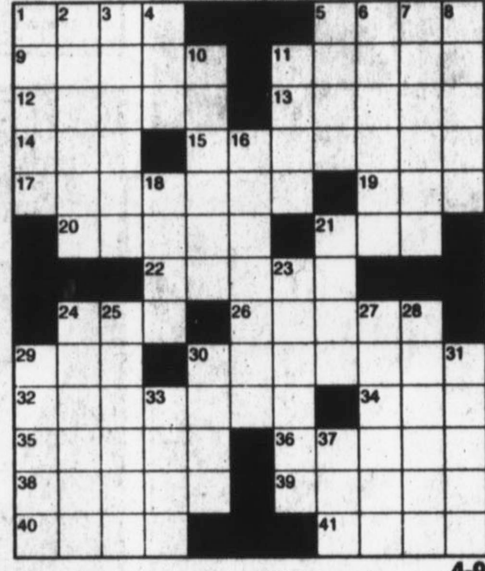
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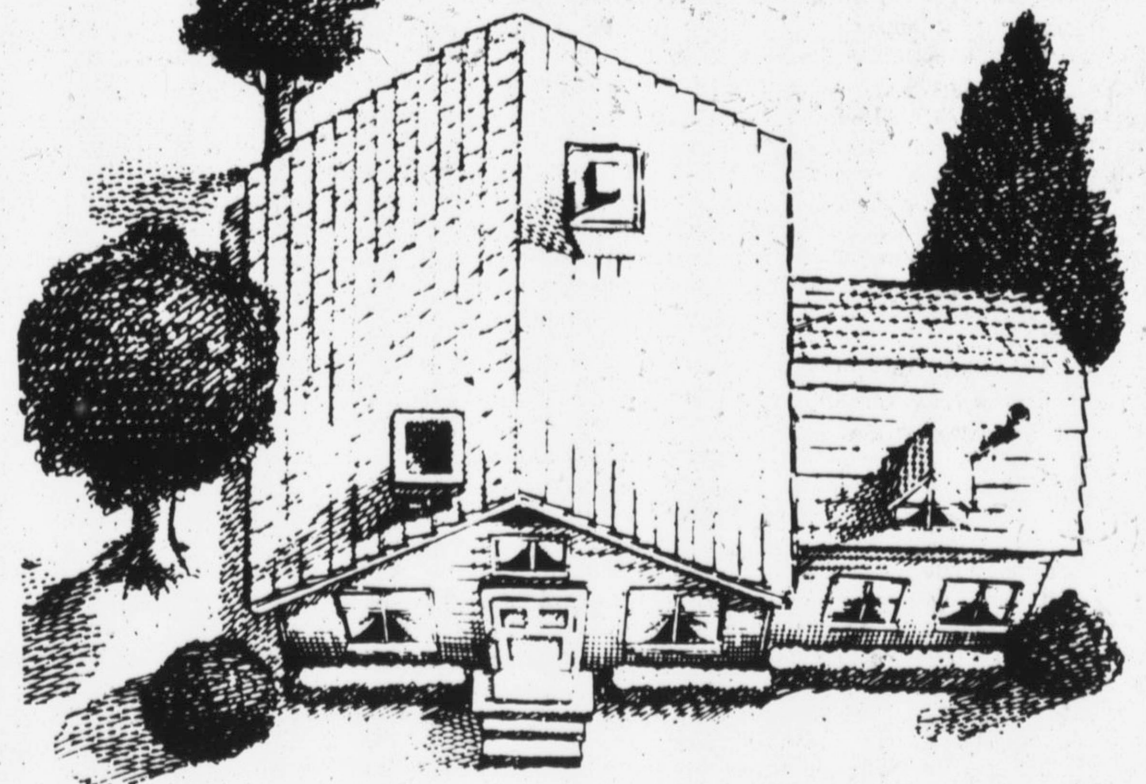
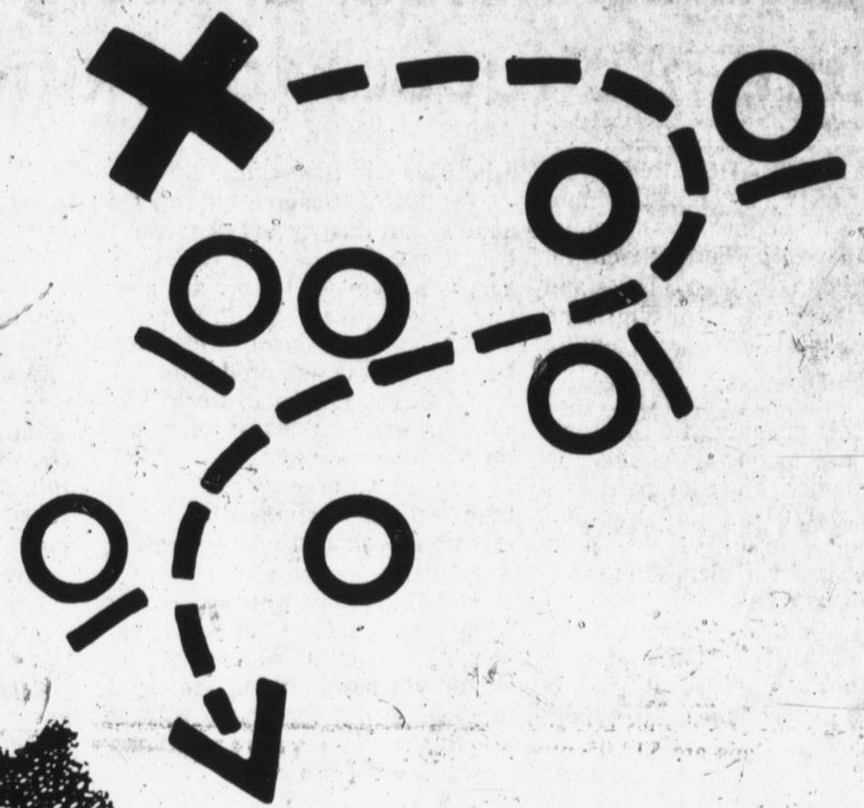
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Practicing for the musical

Nazarene Christian Academy students have been practicing their parts for the Toys 'n Treasures musical. The musical will be performed at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Church of the Nazarene sanctuary. The K-4 and K-5 students also will sing. Here, several students rehearse their lines.

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I just read your answer on mitral valve prolapse, but I'm still not clear on one thing. How do you know if you are leaking blood with each beat? — Mrs. P.T.

ANSWER: Mitral valve prolapse is a weakening of the valve between the upper and lower heart chambers. The lax valve balloons up into the upper chamber. If the prolapse is great, then some blood will leak into the upper chamber.

A doctor familiar with abnormal heart sounds can distinguish mild changes in heart sound from an ominous valve noise. A harmless mitral prolapse beat is to an ominous regurgitating of blood what a little tune is to a Beethoven symphony heard through the stethoscope. The prolapse and regurgitation produce major noises.

Sometimes, there might be questions raised as to the significance of a prolapse. Such matters are settled with more-sophisticated measurements, as with ultrasound images that clearly illustrate the dimensions of the valve situation.

"Mitral valve prolapse" is an ominous phrase that rolls off the lips, but in truth many healthy people have such glitches that never cause problems.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: You mentioned Sporanox (itraconazole) and Lamisil (terbinafine) for nail infections. I have been fighting nail fungus for six months, and I have tried another nail product without success. I took your article to my doctor. He said only that my fungus was a minor problem that one simply has to put up with. Is this your real view? — J.Z.F.

ANSWER: Those two medicines are the best ones I've run across for fungal nail infections. With them, you can expect 80 percent success with fingernails and about 70 percent with toenails. The two medicines are better than other such products.

I agree that a nail fungus infection is not going to place you at risk for the next insurance physical, but I would just as soon be rid of the thing than to live with it.

Also, there are many nail afflictions that look for all the world like a fungal infection, yet neither of the two medicines I mentioned nor the one you took will affect them.

You might want to find a doctor who will take a scraping and send it to a laboratory for organism identification, sort of a fungal police lineup.

Nail problems are discussed in my 22nd report. Readers can order a copy by writing Dr. Donohue — No. 22, Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539. Enclose \$3 and a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents) No. 10 envelope.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him at P.O. Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539.

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Wheat futures prices rise

By HILLARY CHURA
AP Business Writer

Wheat futures prices rose Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade as temperatures far below normal in the Midwest threatened emerging winter wheat crops at a time of low inventories.

On other markets, soybeans and orange juice futures prices retreated.

Warm weather in the past few weeks caused winter wheat crops to emerge from dormancy two weeks early, but now they've become vulnerable to record-breaking cold weather gripping the central Plains states. Winter wheat plants could die if they are exposed to temperatures below 29 degrees for more than a few hours.

Freezing temperatures and snow in the northern Plains also could delay spring wheat planting, agronomists said.

A good harvest is important because U.S. stockpiles of selected wheat stocks are relatively low, and the Agriculture Department is predicting spring wheat planting will fall from levels of a year ago as more farmers opt to plant better-paying soybean fields.

Meantime, world demand continues to grow.

India's agriculture minister was quoted Tuesday as saying he would import more wheat if domestic farmers refused to sell to the state. Farmers want a 30-percent raise, saying that is what the government pays for imports. But New Delhi says farmers do not deserve the hike because they receive subsidies on irrigation, fertilizer and power.

"Indian wheat production keeps going up every year, but their population goes up faster," said adviser Doug Hjort at Hjort & Associates, a marketing consulting firm in Adel, Iowa.

Soybean futures prices fell amid news harvest conditions are ideal in Brazil and Argentina, the world's leading producers behind the United States.

Slower demand also pressured overnight tender for 30,000 tons of U.S. soymeal due to higher prices on the Chicago exchange.

Prices also fell on cold, wet weather that could delay corn planting and lead farmers to plant more soybeans, analysts said.



Trees, please

Hereford city workers began preparing the corners of Main Street for the first stage of improvements being sponsored by the Hereford Beautification Alliance. The HBA, with the city's aid, is planting 16 trees on Main Street in order to help improve the look of the downtown sector.

Texas crop report

Saturated fields, shifting markets cause producers to change plans

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) - April showers may result in more than May flowers across the state. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports saturated fields and shifting markets are causing some producers to change their planting decisions.

Wet conditions in Southeast Texas delayed corn planting, said Dr. Travis Miller, Extension agronomist in College Station. The latest producers should plant corn is April 1, and since conditions were unfavorable, most area producers will plant sorghum or soybeans instead.

"Late planting of corn is a real risk," said Miller. "The nighttime temperatures must be below 85 degrees or the seedlings will become sterile."

As the springtime weather becomes warmer, Miller said it may be safer for producers to plant sorghum or soybeans because these crops can tolerate higher temperatures than corn. Some producers are turning to cotton as an alternative crop.

"Cotton is planted late in the spring," Miller said. "In fact, producers around here are just getting started on it. I think a lot of the corn producers in the area are going to turn to sorghum, soybeans or cotton this season."

Ironically, producers that have been farming cotton for years also may be shifting crops this season, Miller added. Some of them told Miller they would like to see more diversity in the area's agricultural output.

"Cotton farmers have taken a beating the last two or three years with weather and insect problems," Miller said. "I think many of them are ready for a change."

The shift from cotton to soybeans may not be as big in the South Plains unless there is a change in the market, said Dr. Jackie Smith, Extension economist in Lubbock.

"In some parts of the country, cotton farmers will go to soybeans if there is a little better move in price," Smith said. "There will only be a few in Lubbock, but the price will have to be higher for soybeans than cotton."

The futures market for cotton is about 65 cents per pound, which many Lubbock cotton producers consider more profitable than \$6.50 per bushel they could get for soybeans. If this price increased to \$7 per bushel, few producers may switch but Smith said a large shift is not expected.

"We have all the cotton harvesting equipment and gins and everything," Smith said. "We know how to grow cotton in Lubbock. I think most

producers will stay with that." The South Plains area will only see a large shift if soybean prices move back to where they were three months ago, which was nearly a dollar higher than they are now. Smith said the current high soybean prices are beneficial for cotton producers.

"If the soybean prices are up," he said, "it will keep the cotton prices up. We like to see that."

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: Moisture short to adequate. Ranges in fair condition; should improve with rainfall. Dryland wheat will benefit from rain; light infestations of greenbug, aphids. Planting corn, sugarbeets. Onion stands in good condition.

SOUTH PLAINS: Moisture short to adequate. Recent rainfall beneficial to wheat, pastures. Land preparation, pre-irrigation continues for most crops. Corn planting under way in some areas. Onion planting basically complete.

ROLLING PLAINS: Moisture short to adequate. Pastures, ranges improving due to recent rainfall, warm temperatures. Wheat progressing; crop has potential to make record yields. Preparing land for spring planting. Fruit trees in full bloom.

NORTH TEXAS: Moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures, ranges improving in most areas; some weed problems. Corn in poor to fair condition. Wheat stands in poor condition in Bowie Co. Planting sorghum, soybeans. Harvesting pine trees in Cass Co.

EAST TEXAS: Moisture surplus. Winter pastures responding well to recent fertilizer applications; weed infestations in hayfields. Garden planting active as weather permits. Spraying fruit trees; peaches in petal fall stage.

FAR WEST TEXAS: Moisture very short to adequate. Pastures, ranges in poor to good condition. Wheat in good condition in most areas. Windy conditions prohibit land preparation. Planting vegetables in some counties. Fruit trees in good condition.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: Moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures in good condition due to rainfall; sunshine needed to promote growth of grasses, forbs. Cotton fields slowed from wet conditions; some rust, powdery mildew reported. Fruit trees in bloom; pecans progressing.

CENTRAL TEXAS: Moisture surplus. Spring grasses provide good grazing for livestock; weed pressure extremely high. Leaf rust infection heavy in wheat fields. Early-planted sorghum emerging to stand; one-third of acreage left to be planted.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: Moisture surplus. Pastures in excellent condition. Extremely wet corn fields may hurt emerging seedlings; many producers switching to sorghum. Rust on oat leaves reported in some areas. Gardens delayed due to rains.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: Moisture adequate. Rainfall and mild weather causing substantial improvement in forage conditions. Corn, sorghum planting almost complete; cotton planting under way as weather permits. Harvesting spinach, cabbage, carrots.

COASTAL BEND: Moisture surplus. Pastures, hay meadows improving due to rainfall. Planting of row crops delayed because of excess moisture. Planted fields under stress from waterlogged soil conditions. Peaches in good condition.

SOUTH TEXAS: Moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges improving due to recent rains. Cotton in poor condition. Sorghum in fair condition; one field infected with ergot. Harvesting of onions continues. Some supplemental feeding of livestock continues.



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