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## Today's weather **OUTLOOK**

### Partly cloudy and warm

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy. Low in the mid 40s. Southwest wind 10 to 20 mph. Becoming northwest 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts.

**Friday:** Partly sunny. High 65 to 70. North wind 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts.

**Friday night:** Partly cloudy. Low in the lower 30s.

### Extended forecast

**Saturday:** Mostly clear. High 65 to 70.

**Sunday:** Partly cloudy. Low around 40. High in the mid 70s.

**Monday:** Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low 35 to 40. High 65 to 70.

### Hereford weather

Wednesday's high, 89; low, 48; according to KPAN radio.

## TNRCC schedules clean-up

Farm, ranch wastes and recyclables will be accepted

Deaf Smith County residents will have a chance to dispose hazardous wastes and recyclables next week, thanks to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC).

The agency will collect these items 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday at the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn as part of its cleanup campaign.

The purpose of the cleanup campaign is to offer rural areas disposal and recycling opportunities for farm and ranch wastes as recyclables. Since 1991, 187,080 participants have disposed of 3.1 million pounds of pesticides and 6.9 million pounds of recyclables through Agricultural Waste Pesticide and Texas Country Cleanup Collections.

Disposal costs for one 55-gallon drum of pesticide could cost a farmer as much as \$2,000 at a commercial facility. All agricultural chemicals will be accepted except pesticides or herbicides containing 2,4,5-T-Silvex; explosives; compressed gas cylinders; fertilizers or nutrients that are neither hazardous nor contain pesticide admixtures; or pesticide or wood preservatives containing pentachlorophenol.

Empty plastic containers must be clean, triple-rinsed or high-pressure rinsed to be accepted. There is a two-drum limit per participant on oil filter recycling and filters will not be accepted from businesses that charge oil for a fee. Empty household containers will not be accepted, they can be disposed of in the trash.

Tire collection is not available at the cleanup. Chemicals will not be accepted from chemical manufacturers or from out-of-state vehicles.

## Delegates elected at Deaf Smith GOP convention

The Deaf Smith County Republican Convention was held March 25. Those present voted on delegates and alternates to represent Deaf Smith County's Republican party during the Texas Republican State Convention June 15-17 at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston.

Delegates chosen are Dennis Detten, Precinct 1; June Rudd, Precinct 2; Jason Brumley, Precinct 3; Wesley Rudd, Precinct 3; Lacy Mueggenborg, Precinct 3; Ray Redinger, Precinct 4; Corky Lockmiller, Precinct 4; Fran Tooley, Precinct 5; and, Ted Wimberley, Precinct 7.

Alternates are Willis Hawkins, Precinct 1; Homer Rudd, Precinct 2; N.D. Kelso, Precinct 3; Raul Valdez, Precinct 4; Randy Tooley, Precinct 5; Karen Wimberley, Precinct 7; Betty Driver, Precinct 3; Celia Redinger, Precinct 4; and, Irene Mullins, Precinct 4.

## Ortiz contests Precinct 1 election

Files petition in 222nd District Court against Wayne Betzen

By Julie L. Carlson

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

On Friday, another footnote will be added to the annals of Deaf Smith County's political process.

Jeff Blackburn, an Amarillo attorney representing Precinct 1 County Commissioner candidate Alfred Ortiz, has filed a contested election petition in the 222nd District Court against Precinct 1 County Commissioner Wayne Betzen.

Ortiz and Betzen were opponents in the March 14 Deaf Smith County Republican party primary elections. After the votes were canvassed on March 17, figures showed Betzen won the primary election by one vote, 171 to 170. Ortiz called for a re-count of the votes, which took place March 20, and the measure again proved a one vote margin between the candidates. In the petition filed March 27, Ortiz claimed the numbers of the election ...do not

represent the true outcome of the election because illegal votes were counted in arriving at the total.

According to the *McDonald: Texas Civil Practice* publication, election contests must be filed in the district

court and are not considered civil actions because they focus more on legislative and political issues. In this form of dispute, jurisdiction is limited to proving the election was incorrectly conducted.

Senior Judge of the 242nd District Court Marvin F. Marshall will hear the case after 222nd District Court Judge Wesley Gulley signed an order of recusal. With the recusal, Gulley eliminated himself from presiding over the contested election under the *Title 14 Election Contests* code, which cites the judge of the district in which the contested election occurs cannot preside over the debate.

No jury is summoned for a case of

this nature. The district judge makes a ruling based on the evidence presented.

Additional provisions set forth in the election contests code provide that if it is found illegal votes were submitted, the judge may declare the election void...new

election ordered if contested election void. In this case, only the Precinct 1

Republican party county commissioner election will be voided and a new one declared, allowing for only those citizens residing in Precincts 1 and 7 to cast their vote once again.

This is not the first contested election in Deaf Smith County. It is however, the first time a candidate has filed a petition against an opponent due to doubts arising from the county's primary elections.

Following the 1992 primary elections, the *Gamez v. Deaf Smith County* petition was filed by the United States Department of Justice, asking that the

results of the Precinct 1 Democratic county commissioner primary election be voided and a new election declared. Precinct 1 candidates were then John Stribling, Jr. and Tony Castillo.

In that petition, the U.S. Department of Justice notified county officials that previously submitted precinct boundaries were not pre-cleared as required by federal voting laws. As a result, a new primary election was ordered.

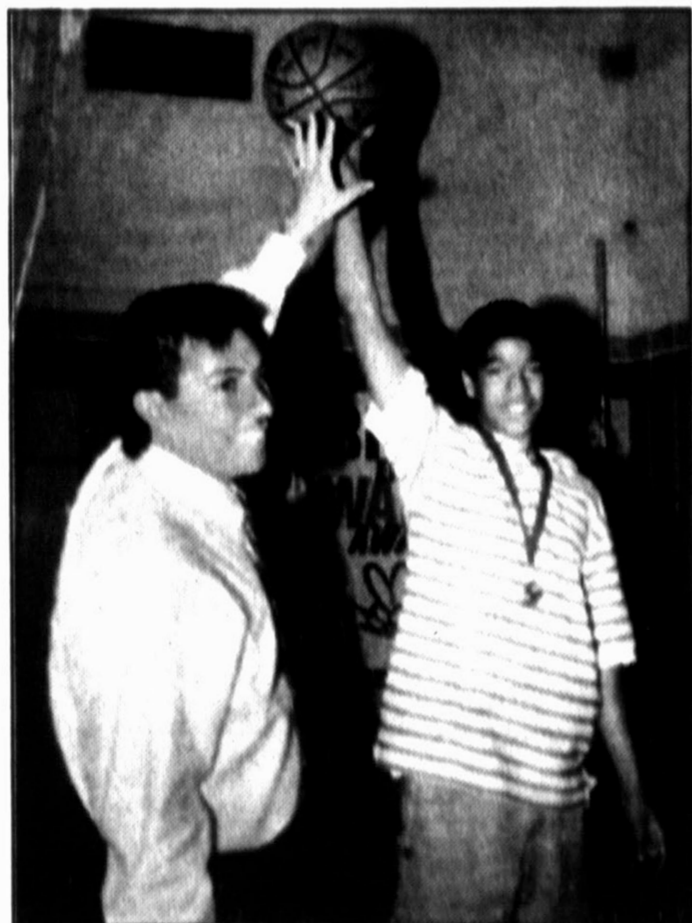
An additional twist in that case came when Stribling removed himself from the Democratic ticket, after receiving the majority of the votes during the unofficial primary, and then ran on the Republican ballot — setting the stage for a single Democratic and Republican party candidate race in the primary. Castillo later won the general election and was declared Precinct 1 County Commissioner. If the March 14, 2000 primary is declared void, the judge will set a new election date, allowing at least 10 days for early voting.

The election contest hearing will be Friday, April 7 at 10 a.m. at the Deaf Smith County Courthouse and is open to the public.

## ON YOUR MARK



**Get set. Go!** — Lupita Chavarria, at left, gets a late start in a race down the slide against Salina Barrientos Wednesday at the Dameron Park playground. The two girls, like many other local residents, were enjoying the balmy spring day that surrounded the area only four days after the last snowfall.



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## STANDING TALL

### 12-year-old student shines on cage court

Basketball! Basketball! Basketball! To all appearances the game is the driving force of a local Bluebonnet student, DeWayne Hindman.

Hindman, who at 12-years old, stands a mere 5 feet-11 inches tall, was the only local participant in a recent Amateur Athletics Union roundball tournament held in Albuquerque, N.M.

### IMPOSING FIGURE

DeWayne Hindman, a towering 6th grade student, is nearly on equal footing with Bluebonnet Principal Richard Saucedo.

Not only was he a local participant, but he was also one of five team members on the Amarillo Gators who won a gold medal from the Albuquerque Spring Classic tournament.

"We played six games and won five," Hindman said. "That made us the champions."

We were the only team from the Amarillo-Canyon area. All the other teams were from New Mexico."

Hindman, a recent transplant to the area from the River Road school, nearly didn't get to play because the AAU officials were unable to locate him.

"I had just moved here when they made the team assignments and I guess they couldn't find me," Hindman said.

Team assignments began last November, but Hindman tried out only two weeks prior to the tournament in New Mexico.

Hindman admits he played center position mainly because he was the tallest player on all the teams in the sixth grade division. Not even the stigma of an unlucky number '13' stopped Hindman from his game.

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Local roundup

Crisis center board meets

The advisory board for the Deaf Smith County Crisis Center will meet at 5:15 p.m. on Thursday, April 20 in the classroom at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Gospel Concert at Senior Center

A Gospel Music Benefit Concert will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 8 in the Senior Citizens Center Auditorium, 426 Ranger.

Ministerial Alliance meets

The Hereford Ministerial Alliance will be April 11 at noon at the Hereford Care Center.

West Central sells cookie dough

West Central PTO is selling cookie dough through April 10. Cookie dough comes in eight different varieties and costs \$10 per three-pound tub.

Pilot Club scholarships

The Pilot Club is offering two \$1000 scholarships to graduating seniors. Applications may be picked up in the High School counselor's office.

Shoplifting seminar

All Hereford retail business are invited to attend a "Shoplifting Seminar" by the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, April 13, at the Community Center from 7-9 p.m.

West Central sponsors dinner

West Central Sixth grade students will sponsor a cheese enchilada dinner Friday, April 7, from 5-7 p.m. at the Hereford Community Center.

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Bush fights for Hispanic voters

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — He's the Hispanic mayor of a Texas Democratic stronghold, but Carlos Ramirez not only supports Republican George W. Bush for president, he even traveled to New Hampshire and California to campaign for him.

Both presidential candidates are vigorously courting local leaders like Ramirez this year, as well as Hispanics in general.

The nation's fastest-growing group of voters, Hispanics are projected to account for 5.4 percent of the electorate this fall.

The country's Hispanic vote has gone overwhelmingly to the Democrats in the past two presidential elections.

And neither will the GOP. The Republican National Committee plans to spend \$7 million to \$10 million this year on a media campaign reaching out to Hispanics.

Two killed in plane crash

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — A kit airplane that was trailing smoke as it spiraled out of the sky killed two people when it slammed into a pasture in Orange County.

The private plane had made a round trip to Shreveport, La. earlier Wednesday and was on a pleasure flight when it went down just east of Beaumont, according to the Beaumont Enterprise.

Investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board were expected to arrive early today for an inquiry into the crash, first reported at 6:27 p.m. Wednesday.

Cpl. Dee Aven, a spokeswoman for the Orange County Sheriff's Department, said a 53-year-old man from Orange and a 48-year-old male passenger from Groves died in the crash.

The victims, whose names were withheld pending notification of relatives, were taken to the Jefferson County morgue, Aven said.

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It's a big drink



A cool one -- Unseasonably warm weather brought a number of people out to Dameron Park, Wednesday evening. Joshua Tovar, center, is more interested in the cold drink offered by his mom, Rosario Tovar, left, than being out playing with his big brothers, sisters and cousins.

Waterways still polluted

Officials fail to follow through

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Texas gets a failing grade for state regulators' inability to clean up more than 100 polluted waterways.

The national Wildlife Federation report's findings were supported by environmentalists but attacked by regulators who defend their efforts.

Texas ranks third in the amount of toxins discharged into state waterways and is at the bottom in per capita spending on water quality, the Sierra Club said.

"I think the National Wildlife Federation is on target in terms of Texas having major water pollution problems," Ken Kramer, director of the Sierra Club's Lone Star Chapter, told the San Antonio Express-News in today's editions.

Texas is not alone in the assessment. Many states have failed to limit the amount of pollution entering waterways as required by the Clean Water Act, said Mike Murray, an environmental chemist for the federation who co-authored "Pollution Paralysis II: Code Red for Watersheds."

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission slammed the report. "In reading the summary, I would not have recognized it as being our program," said Mark Jordan, assistant to the deputy of the TNRCC's Office of Environmental Policy, Analysis and Assessment.

"You would think they would at least give us a passing grade," said Jordan, noting that the report does not note the state meets all federal requirements. "This is a drive-by report card."

Murray said Texas would have received a "C" grade if the TNRCC had done more to attract public input, initiated paperwork on 13 additional rivers to go with the mere seven it has selected so far, and shown progress in cleaning up at least three lakes, rivers or creeks.

Gov. George W. Bush, the Republican presidential frontrunner, has been touting the Texas environmental record — including efforts to clean up pollution — while contending that he is a government reformer.

Texas' problems include air pollution in EPA nonattainment areas, including Houston where smog recently surpassed that of Los Angeles; contamination in waterways, including Buffalo Bayou which has been among the nation's most polluted; and ongoing Superfund clean-ups.

While Texas received the lowest possible marks, Murray said it did not have the worst program. "They're not that far from a passing grade," he said, adding 20 other states also received failing grades.

Tyler DA defends sentence

TYLER, Texas (AP) — Worldwide attention has prompted an East Texas district attorney's office to release a statement Wednesday that defends the 16-year sentence given to a Smith County man who stole a \$1 candy bar.

District Attorney Jack Skeen released a statement about the case after receiving phone calls from national and international media, according to today's Tyler Morning Telegraph editions.

Skeen said Payne has ten prior convictions, including three felonies. He was on parole for felony theft when he stole a Snickers bar from a Tyler convenience store.

"The message from this case is that regardless of the value of the item stolen, a habitual criminal reaches a point where a jury and a prosecutor say enough is enough," Skeen said. "The jury refused to put him back out on the street (although) this theft did not involve a significant dollar amount."

The district attorney also said his office offered Payne a plea bargain prior to his March trial that included an 8-year sentence, but he rejected the offer.

It wasn't the first time that Payne's chocolate craving prompted a run-in with the law. He has a previous conviction for stealing a bag of Oreos.

The district attorney's office tried Payne as a habitual offender, bumping the misdemeanor shoplifting charge to felony theft, making him eligible for a sentence of up to 20 years in prison.

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"My number was even 13," he said. "But, we had to give the jerseys back so they can use them again."

The game is not over though for Hindman. "We have at least two more tournaments in Amarillo and at least one here, and maybe one in Dallas. If we go all the way we may get to go to Virginia Beach, Va."

Next year he plans to try out for the junior high ball team and if he gets another chance maybe even try out for the AAU again.

HEREFORD BRAND Obituaries



CAUDIE OLA BROWN April 5, 2000

Services for Caudie Ola Brown, 95, of Hereford will be 2 p.m. Friday at the First United Methodist Church with Dr. Tom Fuller officiating and Dr. Weldon Butler assisting. Burial will be in West Park Cemetery under the direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Brown died Wednesday at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

She was born Aug. 3, 1904, in Summerfield to J.E. Roberson and Minnie McMinn. She married C.E. Brown. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and had taught school for 34 years, 22 in Hereford.

Mrs. Brown held many honors including Mother of the Year in 1975; Pioneer of the Year in

1986; Outstanding Citizen of Her Community elected by State in 1976; Citizen of the Year in 1990. She was also a member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Survivors include three daughters, Emma Jane Roberts of Lamesa, Colline Kinsey and Martha Jean Burrus, both of Childress; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son in 1975. The family suggests memorials be made to First United Methodist Church of Hereford or Kings Manor.

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ALBERTO RAMIREZ March 27, 2000

Services for Alberto Ramirez, 63, were Saturday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, with Father Jose Caracoza officiating. Burial was at San Felipe Cemetery under the direction of Don's Funeral Chapels.

Mr. Ramirez died March 27 in Amarillo.

Survivors include his mother, Maria Ramirez of Hereford; three sons, Alberto Ramirez, Jr., Freddie Ramirez, and Joe Ramirez; four daughters, Mary Zarate, Ruth Saucillo, Dalia Verastique, Linda Ramirez; three brothers, Fred, George and Joe Ramirez; three sisters, Antonia Ramirez, Lupe Pesina, and Lola Ramirez; numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

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HEREFORD BRAND Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for April 5, 2000, include the following.

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

- A woman was arrested in the 400 block of Avenue B and charged with city warrants.

- Two women were arrested in the 100 block of North 25 Mile Avenue and charged with disorderly conduct.

- A 19-year-old man was arrested in the 200 block of North Lee and charged with city traffic warrants.

Incidents

- A runaway was reported in the 700 block of Avenue G.

- A verbal argument was reported in the 400 block of East 15th.

- A woman reported being assaulted while sitting at a red light. The woman told police another woman approached her car and struck her across the face.

- A fight was reported in the 200 block of Avenue H.

- A complaint was filed for allowing a dog to run at large in the 300 block of Avenue E.

- A runaway was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F.

- A grease fire was reported in the 300 block of North Avenue K.

- A fight was reported in the 300 block of Avenue H.

- A minor accident was reported at the intersection of Texas and Park. No injuries were reported.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

- A 44-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

- A 34-year-old woman was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a theft by check conviction.

- A 21-year-old man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana under two ounces.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 8:18 p.m. Firefighters responded to a smoke scare at 321 N. Avenue K.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Texas lottery

Lotto

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$13 million.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$17 million.

Numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

20-21-25-38-39-49

Pick 3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

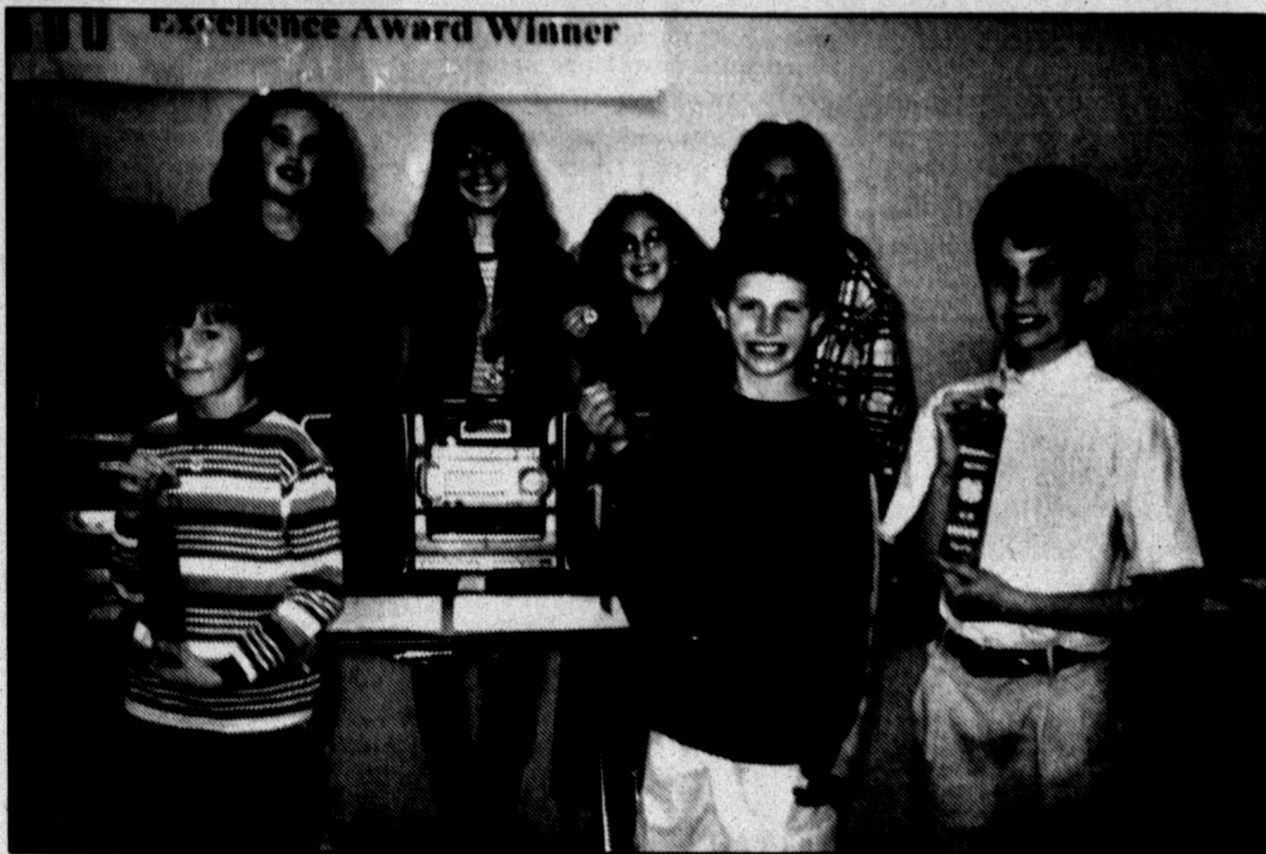
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# LIFESTYLES

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**Consumer Judges** — Deaf Smith County 4-H youth who participated in the District I Consumer Decision Contest were, front from left, Gary Brorman, Levi Keeling, Chad Dollar, back from left, Stephanie Shaw, Shayla Wilcox, Chelsea Campbell and Kalyn Esqueda. They are pictured with a class of CD players which were used in the contest setting.

## 4-Hers earn honors in District I contest

Deaf Smith County 4-Hers brought home honors from the Consumer Decision Contest recently held at the District I Extension Center in Amarillo.

The second place team of the contest was awarded to Shayla Wilcox, Chelsea Campbell and Kalyn Esqueda.

Gary Brorman, Chad Dollar and Levi Keeling formed another team that participated in the contest.

Stephanie Shaw participated in the contest as an individual in the intermediate category.

In the contest, youth had to place four different items to make up a certain class according to any given situation. Knowledge of the subject matter was necessary for the youth to place the items correctly.

Project meetings held during the month before the competition assisted the youth in

learning the information. Missy Wilcox served as parent/leader for the local project meetings.

Intermediate and senior youth also presented oral reasons for their selection to a panel of judges for additional scoring.

The contest is designed to teach critical thinking in a given situation, to use knowledge gained to compare the best buy for the money available and to defend their decision in a concise manner.

Classes in which youth were given to place were healthy snacks, sunscreens, children's toys, cameras, CD players, athletic shoes, bicycles, bike helmets, cellular phones, ATM cards and boots. Each age category also judged one class that was considered a 'mystery' class.

## Teddy Bear Clinics set at HRMC

Hereford Regional Medical Center is offering "Teddy Bear Clinics" during the week of April 10-14.

"Teddy Bear Clinics" are offered for the public to help alleviate any fears of small children connected with a trip to the emergency room or hospital.

Children who participate in the clinics visit the hospital with their stuffed animals and learn that visits to the hospital need not be scary.

Anyone interested in scheduling a tour for their child, class or day care, contact Donna Kemp at 364-2141, extension 3295.

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## Ann Landers



**Ann Landers**

**Dear Ann Landers:** I am 27 years old and in love. I have been dating "Eugene" for four months. He is the best thing that has ever happened to me. He cooks, takes me to nice places, and is fun to be with. He treats me well, owns his own business, and makes good money.

Here's the problem. Eugene loves to gamble. He plays high-stakes poker at a casino twice a week. He thinks nothing of losing a thousand dollars at a blackjack table in less than five minutes, then, he goes straight to the roulette wheel, and loses another thousand. He also wins thousands of dollars at a time, but it seems he is never able to quit while he is ahead.

His business isn't doing well right now, but Eugene is convinced he can make a living playing poker. He certainly seems to have a lot of money all the time, so he must be winning. Tell me, Ann, if I marry this man, would I be responsible for his gambling debts? Please hurry with your advice. I think he's going to ask me to marry him soon, and I don't know what to do. Sign me — In Love With a Gambler

**Dear Lady in Love With a Gambler:** Fasten your seat belt, and be prepared for some bumpy rides if you marry this

man. In most instances, spouses are responsible for each other's debts while married — and sometimes, even after a divorce.

Eugene is not going to beat the house forever. An astute poker player can do reasonably well because skill is a factor in card games, but when it comes to shooting craps or playing blackjack or roulette, skill doesn't count, and the house will win in the end. Slot machines are another matter. You can come out ahead if you have enough sense to quit while you are winning, but few people do. Be aware that gambling is an addiction, and millions of people are hooked on it.

When Eugene gets ready to give it up, he will need some help. Check out Gamblers Anonymous in the phone book. They do a terrific job.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I have had several arguments with my husband about the way his family interferes in our lives. Now, it has happened again, and I am so furious, I am considering divorce.

My husband's sister is getting married soon. This will be her second wedding, and it is going to be another lavish affair in a church. She had the gall to ask our 7-year-old son to be in the wedding without consulting either my husband or me. I am so angry, I do not plan to attend the wedding at all.

My husband thinks I am making a mountain out of a molehill. This is not the first

time his family has gone behind my back, and I am sick of it. Don't tell me to get counseling, because it is HIS family that is causing all the problems, not mine. I'd like your comments on this. I am — Boiling Over in Ohio

**Dear Boiling:** Please cool off before you pop a blood vessel. Your husband's sister is obviously not a favorite of yours. It was wrong of her to ask your son to be in the wedding without discussing it with you first. However, I am sure she felt it was a compliment, and assumed you would be pleased, as most parents would.

I suspect you and your husband have had other "issues," and that your marriage is not rock solid. Before you move forward with a divorce, talk to somebody, please — for your child's sake.

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## Cross will be speaker for Flame Fellowship

Kaye Cross of Amarillo will be guest speaker at the 7:30 p.m. Thursday meeting of Hereford Flame Fellowship in the Hereford Community Center.

Cross has a long history of service in her Amarillo community. She served as a volunteer rape crisis and domestic violence counselor in the late '70s and became director of the domestic violence shelter until 1992.

The program was federally funded, but Cross found many

opportunities to share the message of Jesus Christ.

In 1992, she opened her own business which became a ministry in itself. She understood that she was a self-employed business woman who happened to be a minister for Christ.

She recently sold her business and now is in full time ministry at Cornerstone Outreach Center.

She is a member of River Road Fellowship and functions in the offices of Deaconess, Co-Intercessory Prayer Leader, counselor at the Outreach Center and moves in the gift of prophecy.

Cross and her husband Sam have two children and three grandsons.

Meetings of Hereford Flame Fellowship are open to all. Men, women and children are welcome to attend.

## Girl Scout News

**By Marie Carra**  
The annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale was a big success for Hereford Girl Scouts.

The Cookie Kickoff was held Jan. 8 in Hereford Community Center. That day, 26 girls sold 1,731 boxes of cookies. Prizes and donuts were donated by Troy's Sweet Shop, Daylight Donuts, the Hereford Aquatic Center, Moovies 6, Silver Screen Video, Hereford Recreation Center, Mani and Pat's, Taco Bell, McDonald's, The Secret Garden, Caryn's Hallmark, Inkahoots and the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce.

Through door-to-door sales, direct contacts, and booth sales, the girls learned much about organization, handling money, learning to speak to people, and building confidence.

Booth sales were held at the Ranch House Restaurant, Moovies 6, K-Bob's Restaurant and Homeland.

There was even an exciting cookie stacking contest with local celebrities taking part.

Approximately 90 Hereford Girl Scouts participated in the year's cookie sale.

We appreciate all merchants and businesses who gave of their resources to help make the sale a success.

We also wish to express our appreciation to the people of Hereford who allowed our Girl Scouts to reach their goals in the cookie sale.

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## Toujours Amis Study Club members hold annual tasting tea, share recipes

Toujours Amis Study Club members met recently in Hereford Community Center for their annual tasting tea.

Hostesses were Julia Laing, Sarah Lawson and Jill Harrison. Each member brought a favorite dish along with the recipe to share with other club members.

The business meeting followed, including the election of officers.

A report was given of the Bunko social held at the home of Donna and Jay West.

Those present were Teresa Allen, Chrystal Anuszkiewicz,

Angela Baker, Kim Bigham, Sheri Blankenship, Melinda Bridge, Brandy Charlesworth, Christi Conger, Lisa Formby, Sally Nolen, Lauri Paetzold, Becky Reinart, Jill Savoini, Amy Schueler, Marsha Winget, Tammy Yenser, Harrison, Lawson and West.

## KM Auxiliary schedules fund-raiser

King's Manor Auxiliary is holding a "Trunks and Treasures Sale" in the Lamar Room on Friday and Saturday. The sale will begin at 4 p.m. on Friday and at 8 a.m. on Saturday.

They are accepting donations of treasures (better known as garage sale items) through noon Thursday. These items can be left at King's Manor.



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Calvary will perform in the Gospel Music Benefit Concert at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Senior Citizens Center Auditorium. Also appearing will be the Barn Church Band, Cecil White and Harold Manning. Proceeds will benefit James and Kathy Davis of Dimmitt, formerly of Hereford.

## Benefit concert is Saturday

By Becky Thorn

Hereford Brand Lifestyles Editor

A Gospel Music Benefit Concert will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 8 in the Senior Citizens Center Auditorium.

Featured performers will be Cecil White, Harold Manning, Barn Church Band and Calvary.

A love offering will be taken to benefit James and Kathy Davis of Dimmitt, who formerly lived and worked in Hereford.

James was a machinist at Boyd Machine in Hereford and also served as parts manager at First Supply Auto Parts. He was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1973.

"We almost lost him on Jan. 5 when he had four severe seizures," Kathy said.

Since that time, James has had two cases of pneumonia, a trach installed and a staff infection, his wife said.

He has been back at home in Dimmitt for only about six weeks.

"When he left the hospital, we were told he would never be able to eat again, but he has progressed to the point that he is eating everything from tacos to steak," Kathy said.

The Davises do not have any insurance. "He is on Medicare and Social Security, but we have massive hospital bills," Kathy said.

She advised that Crown of Texas Hospice has provided medication, and when needed, such things as a breathing machine and a suctioning machine.

Kathy took a leave of absence from her own job to be with James and their daughter has moved to Dimmitt from Dallas to be where she could assist her parents.

"We have had a lot of prayers and James has been fortunate. He is in a wheelchair. He just can't stand," his wife said. "If he continues as he is now, he will be able to attend the concert and he

can't wait. He is looking forward to seeing old friends again."

James raced cars many years ago on the asphalt tracks in Lubbock, Amarillo and Altus and still keeps in touch with racing buddies.

"He is hoping a lot of his old racing buddies will be at the concert," Kathy said.

Kathy has two sisters, Marchetta and Carolyn Hutcheson, who still live and work in Hereford.

Monty Smith, a member of Calvary, has known James for many years. When he heard about James' recent medical problems, he came up with the idea of a benefit concert.

"And since I am a member of a gospel band, it was natural that we would do a gospel music concert," Smith said.

The concert is planned to last about two hours with a free-will offering going to help defray some of the Davis' medical expenses.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

## Area Events

#### DIMMITT

The Ogallala Quilters' Society will hold its Third Annual Quilt Festival Friday and Saturday in the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

The Festival features a quilt show with more than 200 quilts, free demonstrations, quilt and food vendors, appraisals and trunk shows.

Quilts entered for competition will be judged by Sally Hatfield, certified quilt judge.

Admission is \$3 per person.

A free lecture by Emily Nipp of Amarillo, the "1999 Ogallala Teacher Scholarship" recipient, will be given at 12:30 p.m. Friday at the west Quonset near the Expo Building.

For more information, contact Joyce Davis at 806-647-5362.

#### HAPPY

A fund-raiser dance featuring "Cooter Graw" will be held Saturday beginning at 9 p.m. in Happy Community Center.

Admission is \$10 per person at the door.

Proceeds will go to the community center building fund.

#### FLOMOT

Washington Cattle Co. is sponsoring a Bluegrass Festival on April 14-15 in Longhorn Park, Hwy. 97 at Hwy. 599, near Flomot.

Events on the main stage will begin at 11 a.m. both days.

Square dance exhibitions will also be given both days and on Saturday there will be a vintage car show.

There will be all night jammin' and lots of whittlin' and tall tales.

For reservations or more information, call 806-469-5278 or 918-605-2444.

#### AMARILLO

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center presents "Supportive Care 2000," marking the 20th Annual Conference Addressing Current Issues for Oncology Professionals.

The conference takes place on Friday, April 14 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Amarillo College Business and Industry Center, 1314 S. Polk.

This year's conference features keynote speaker, Christine

Clifford, best selling of *Not Now...I'm Having a No Hair Day!* Clifford will make three presentations, including "Laughter: A New Twist to the Old Illness of Cancer," "Prescription for a Cure: Laughter" and "Our Family Has Cancer, Too!"

The conference provides 8.7 Contact Hours for nursing professionals. CEU credit for Social Workers and LPCs is also available.

Deadline for advance registration is April 10. For more information, contact Gerry Kelly at 359-4673, ext. 235.

BSA Hospice is offering a grief education and support group for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one.

An evening group begins April 10 from 7-8:30 p.m. and an afternoon group begins April 12 from 1-2:30 p.m.

Each group will meet for six consecutive weeks. Sessions will be held in the Den at the BSA Hospice Building, 600 N. Tyler.

To pre-register, call 212-8777.

## Pageant registration now open

Registrations are now being accepted for those interested in competing in the Little Miss Hereford and the Miss Hereford pageants, according to a spokesperson for the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce.

This year's pageants will be held June 17 in conjunction with the Town and Country Jubilee.

Registration forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce office, 701 N. Main.

Age divisions for the Little Miss Hereford pageant are Cutest Miss-preschool and kindergarten; Miss Petite-first, second and third graders; Little Princess-fourth, fifth and sixth graders; and Junior Miss-seventh, eighth and ninth graders.

Young ladies ages 16-21 are

eligible to compete in the Miss Hereford scholarship pageant. Contestants vie for scholarships and prizes as they compete in casual wear, formal wear, interview and talent categories.

Completed forms should be returned to the Chamber office. Registration deadline is May 26.

For more information, contact Kim Leonard at 364-8760.

## Lenten services continue through April 19 at FUMC

Lenten services are being held at First United Methodist Church on Wednesdays through April 19. For one hour each Wednesday, from noon to 1 p.m., the

church will be open for worshippers to come in, sit, meditate and pray. Quiet music will be played and printed devotional material will be available.

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## COMING TOGETHER



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**Coming Together**—Head softball coach Penny Summers fires up her team during the Lady Whitefaces' thumping of Palo Duro 20-5. The Hereford High School softball team has put together a 11-7 record so far this season and are 4-2 in district play. The Lady Whitefaces will try to better that mark at 4:30 today when they take on Dumas at home. The Herd will face the top pitcher in district 3-4A when the Demons' Megan King takes the mound. Victoria Perez takes the mound for the Herd as the team attempts to come together and keep their district championship hopes alive.

## All-Star games to begin in Amarillo

Three Hereford natives are going to participate in tonight's 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Golden Spread High School All Star Game at Cal Farley Coliseum in Amarillo.

Seniors Valarie Guzman and Tori Walker will participate in the girls event that will be held tonight through Saturday in Amarillo. Senior Eric McNutt will be representing the boys' team for the Herd. McNutt averaged 7.4 points per game for the varsity basketball team.

Guzman and Walker will be playing at 6 p.m. followed by the boys' game at 8 p.m. On Friday, the north and south teams meet at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., and on Saturday consolation games will be played at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. followed by the championship games at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Teams of the North, South, East and West teams will be coached by volunteers. Participants will represent the 26 counties of the Texas panhandle, Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Floyd, Motley and Cottle counties and the counties of Eastern New Mexico bordering Texas.

Included in the games will be a three-point shooting contest and slam-dunk competition. Any senior girl or boy,

regardless of whether they are selected for the All-Star Games, is eligible for these competitions.

For further information call James Allen at 378-8216.

## Weekly scrambles tee off

For those who play in the Wednesday scrambles at the John Pitman Municipal Golf Course, firing a score of 30 for 9 holes is an outstanding result.

Wednesday's winning team included Marin Rivas, Gayle Cornelius, Doc Weaver and Leland Shelton. The scramble scored 30 on the front nine holes with five birdies and four pars.

Coming in second place for the evening was the scramble of Bill Brown, John Robinson, Dewayne Robbins and Jerry Shipman.

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## Houston thrashes Pirates, 11-2

### ■ Lima settles down after rocky first inning in Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Jose Lima shook off control problems to pitch seven effective innings and Daryle Ward homered in the Houston Astros' 11-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Wednesday night.

The Astros, 1-5 in Three Rivers Stadium last season, have outscored the Pirates 16-4 in the first two games.

Lima (1-0), a 21-game winner last season, walked two and gave up three singles in the first, including a hit by Aramis Ramirez that drove in two runs. An extra-base hit might have driven Lima from the game, but he settled down

to finish up with six shutout innings.

Just as Astros starter Shane Reynolds did in outdueling Jason Schmidt in a 5-2 victory Tuesday, Lima outpitched one of the majors' best pitchers during spring training, Kris Benson.

Benson was nearly unhittable at times this spring but, just as Schmidt did, fought his control. He walked No. 7 hitter Richard Hidalgo and No. 8 hitter Tony Eusebio in a three-run third ahead of Lima's grounder that glanced off first baseman Kevin Young's glove for a two-run error. Young led all major league first basemen with 23 errors last season.

Craig Biggio followed with a run-scoring single that made it 3-2.

Benson, who gave up five runs — two earned — in six innings, quickly got into trouble again in the third. Jeff Bagwell doubled and Ken Caminiti singled before Moises Alou grounded into a run-scoring double play.

Ward, starting only because newly acquired center fielder Roger Cedeno has a sore right elbow, followed with a solo homer to right field. Ward was 2-for-3 and reached base three times.

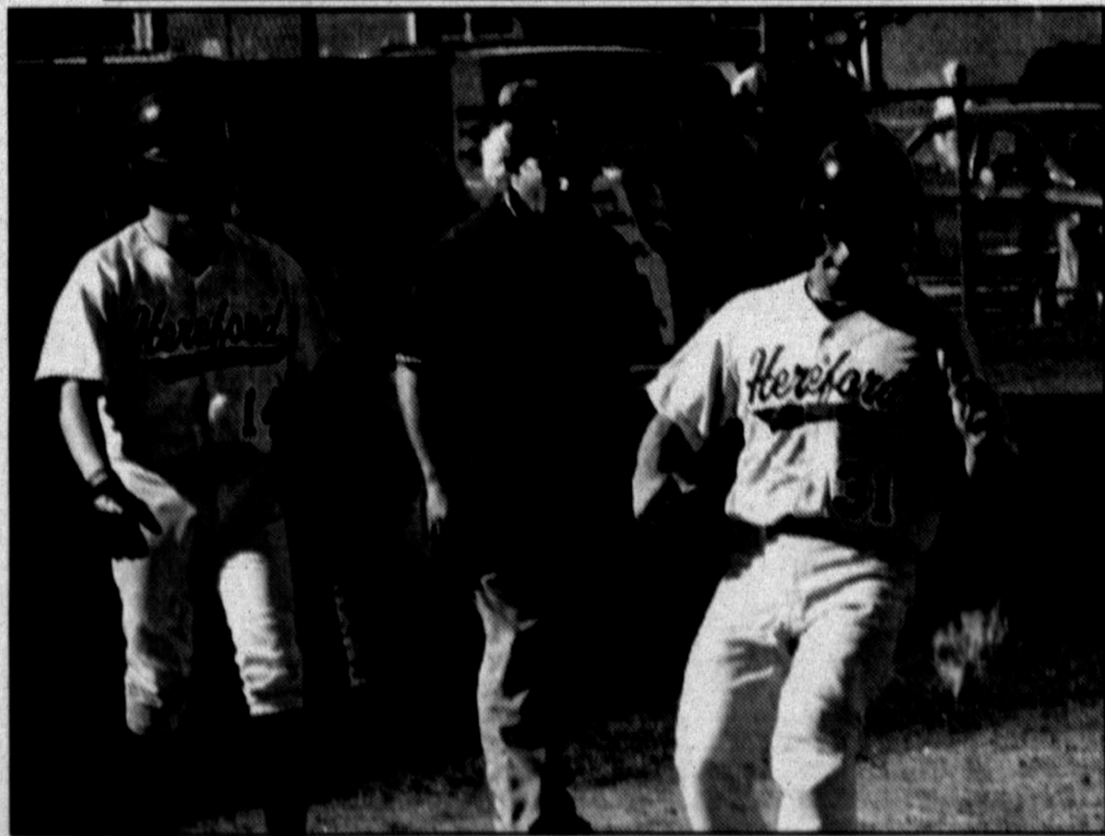
X-rays of Cedeno's elbow revealed a bone spur that will be treated with anti-inflammatory medication. He is listed as day-to-day and is not expected to be sidelined long.

When Cedeno couldn't start Tuesday's rain-delayed opener, Bill Spiers took his place in the lineup and made one of the game's key plays by throwing out rookie Chad Hermansen at the plate.

Spiers opened at shortstop Wednesday and had a three-run triple in a six-run eighth inning started when relievers Scott Sauerbeck and Marc Wilkins each walked in a run.

The Pirates had only one serious threat after the first, putting runners on second and third in the sixth before Lima got pinch-hitter John Vander Wal to ground out.

## CROSSING HOME



COURTESY PHOTO/Julius Bodner

**Crossing Home**—Third baseman L.J. Vallejo crosses home after Andrew Ramirez's two run homer in the seventh during the Herd's 10-6 loss to Pampa. The Whitefaces look to bounce back when they face the Borger Bulldogs Saturday at 1 p.m. in Borger.



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