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Today's weather (0)(0)

Partly cloudy skies

Tonight: Becoming partly cloudy, lows 50 to 55, southeast winds 5 to 15 mph, becoming southwest.

Wednesday: Partly sunny with a less than 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms, highs near 90, south winds

Wednesday night: A 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms, otherwise partly cloudy, lows near 60.

Extended forecast

Thursday: Partly cloudy, highs near 90. Friday: Partly cloudy, lows in the mid-50s, highs 85 to 90.

Saturday: Mostly clear, lows in the upper 50s, highs around 90.

Hereford weather

Monday's high, 96; low, 60; no precipita-



North Texas' dry spell hasn't ended --- yet

Rainfall continued early today to be elusive for North Texas, which has now endured /3 full days without measurable precipitation.

A cool front stalled out north of the Dallas-Fort Worth area, producing scattered showers Monday night near the Red River. But forecasters said a chance still existed for the region's longest dry spell ever to end.

Late afternoon thunderstorms developed near a dry line located in West Texas. Further development occurred along an outflow boundary as the system moved into the western areas of North Texas.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 60s in the Permian Basin and 70s in the far west to 80s along the Rio Grande

and elsewhere. It was 57 degrees at Dalhart; 74 at Conroe and Houston; 81 at Midland and San Angelo; and 86 at Laughlin Air Force

Base in Del Rio. Winds were mostly southeasterly at

about 5 to 10 mph.

Shallow fog developed in Southeast

The risk of thunderstorms ranged from slight in the northwest to a chance elsewhere, but more numerous in the east, the National Weather Service said.

Showers and thunderstorms should develop in Southeast Texas with an incoming sea breeze. Rain chances also existed for the middle and upper Texas coast as a tropical wave moves westward to the state. More storms could develop from the eastern Permian Basin through the Concho Valley and south into the Big Bend.

Daytime highs were expected in the 90s to near 105 along the Rio Grande. Lows overnight should range from the 50s in the Panhandle and southwestern mountains to 70s in the Big Bend valleys and lower 80s elsewhere.

Jury supports Payne in suit

A jury found Dr. Gerald G. Payne not guilty Friday in the wrongful death and negligence suit brought against him by the family of Marie Hutton Bowen.

Defense attorney Jim Besselman said the case went as he had expected as the jury concluded Payne was not negligent in his treatment of Bowen.

This was a life situation where a team of doctors, including specialists in Amarillo, made a heroic effort to save a patient in poor health," Besselman said.

Bowen, who died in March 1997 at the age of 73, suffered numerous health problems, including congestive heart failure, arterial sclerosis and renal arterial failure.

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UW to kick off drive

By Becky Thorn

Hereford Brand Lifestyles Editor
"Team United Way" is the theme for this year's United Way of Deaf Smith County's

annual fund-raising campaign.

The kickoff for this year's campaign will be noon Wednesday in the Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C.

Serving as co-chairs for the campaign, which continues until Nov. 1, will be Hereford High School coaches Craig Yenzer and Brenda Kit-

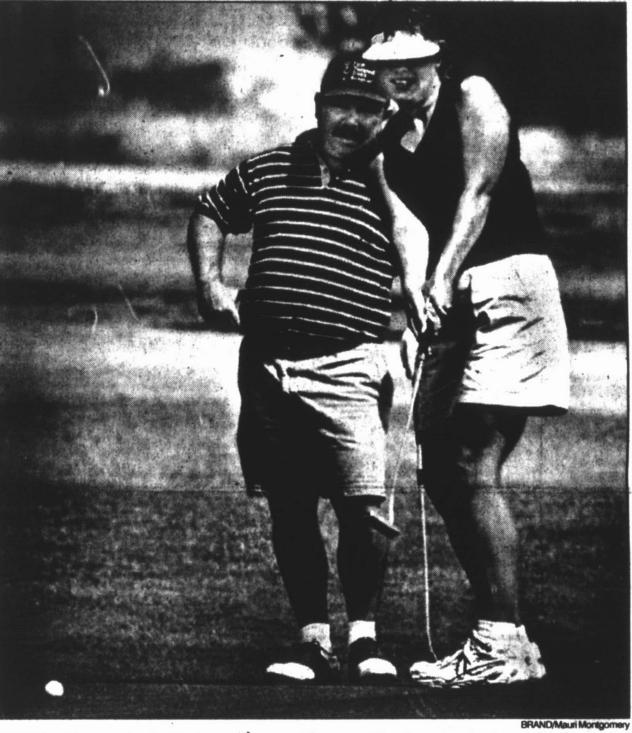
They will be the featured speakers at the kickoff luncheon, which will also include a locally produced video and a performance by

the Mighty Maroon Band. The meal will be catered by K-Bob's at \$6 per person.

During the campaign, volunteers will work the pledge cards while members of the board will make employee presentations in businesses with 10 or more employees. The video will be available for viewing during these

presentations. Volunteers are always needed to help with the campaign and anyone who is interested can call 364-5220 to volunteer.

The goal for the current campaign remains the same as it has been for several years, \$132,000. Last year, only 95 percent of the funds were raised.



Putting tips — Leslie Easley gets some tips on putting from her husband, Wade, during Saturday's Heifers & Bulls golf tournament at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course. The tournament was a benefit for the Hereford chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Forty-nine teams participated in the annual tournament. Please see story and photos, Page A5.

PUBLIC HEARING

Residents express gripes about tax rate, cleanliness, HEDC

By Donald M. Cooper

reford Brand Managing Editor

It was a public hearing on the city's proposed tax rate for Fiscal 2001, but the discussion veered into complaints about the county appraisal district, economic development, prisons and city cleanliness.

Six residents were on hand Monday night as the Hereford City Commission conducted the public hearing on the proposed tax rate of 41 cents per \$100 assessed valuation.

In opening the hearing, Hereford Mayor Bob Josserand said the 41-cent rate has beenin effect for several years. Although the city is proposing to keep the tax rate at 41 cents, he mowledged some Hereford residents will get a higher tax bill because their property's value increased following the Deaf Smith County Appraisal District's reassessment of property within the county.

Josserand also acknowledged the city had increased water/sewer fees by 30 percent - in three annual installments of 10 percent — to provide funds to pay for a wastewater treatment plant.

Josserand also noted the effective tax rate for the year ending Sept. 30 is 39.52 cents. The effective tax rate is the rate required to generate the same amount of revenue in the next budget year as it did in the current fiscal

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County extends burn restrictions

By Donald M. Cooper Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Deaf Smith County Commissioners voted Monday to extend indefinitely a restriction on outdoor burning that was implemented last week by County Judge Tom Simons.

Simons signed an order Sept. 5 imposing the restrictions in the county. The order, which was authorized by the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, could remain in effect for no more than seven days without the commissioners'

In his declaration, Simons noted the county is experiencing very dry conditions, with little prospect of significant rainfall expected.

"Extremely dry conditions pose the threat of large, dangerous and fast-moving wildfires the magnitude of the potential damage and the speed at which such fires could escalate to major proportions constitutes an imminent threat of disaster," Simons stated in his order. "The purpose of this order is the mitigation of

the hazard posed by wildfires by curtailing the

practice of outdoor burning.'

Under the order approved by the commissioners, county residents can burn trash at their residences only between 8 a.m. and noon Saturdays and Sundays, if the wind is less than 10 mph. All other controlled fires must be approved by the fire marshal before the burning.

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DEVILL SENVELA

Critics fire salvos at governor for his hands-off approach to Texas executions

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush gets criticized for his hands-off-approach to state executions, but state law leaves little room for governors to act in these life-and-death decisions.

Supporters say Bush, the Republican presidential nominee, allows the 18-member Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles to do job freely by maintaining an arm's-length relationship.

"The governor leaves it up to each parole board number to make their own cisions after they review the case. They're an independent body," said Bush

Others contend that Bush does direct the board — through his public statements on executions and his power to appoint members to their six-year,

\$80,000-per-year jobs.

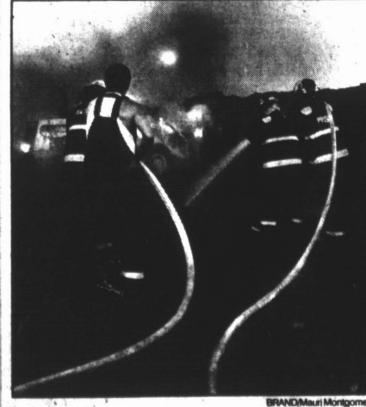
All current board members are Bush appointees.

"It does seem that they would want to be in line with his way of thinking about it," said Richard C. Dieter, executive director of the Death Penalty Information Center.

Bush has said he supports the death penalty and doesn't believe an innocent person has been executed in Texas during his administration.

David Dow, a University of Houston law professor who represents condemned

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Putting out fire - The moon peeks through the smoke as Hereford firefighters extinguish a blaze Monday evening at Farmers Gin on South Main. The firefighters are afraid there will be fires if the dry conditions continue across the area.

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Local roundup

Low cost vaccination clinic

The Humane Society of Deaf Smith County is sponsoring the fall low cost pet vaccination clinic 1-5 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 17, in the courtyard of the Hereford Community Center. Sponsors underestimated the number of participants for the summer clinic, but will have more vaccine at this session. Canine vaccinations will be \$6 for rabies; \$12 parvo/distemper

and \$15 combinations. Feline vaccinations will be \$6 rabies; \$20 distemper/feline

leukemia; \$22 for combinations.

Proceeds will go to the Humane Society of Deaf Smith County.

Pork checkoff election scheduled

The United States Department of Agriculture and the local Farm Service Agency have announced final procedures and dates for the upcoming referendum on continuation of the pork checkoff program.

The final referendum rules provide for in-person voting Sept. 18-21, at the Deaf Smith County FSA office.

Producers who have owned and sold one or more pigs or hogs from Aug. 18, 1999 through Aug. 17, 2000, are eligible to

Genealogy society meeting

The first meeting of the Deaf Smith County Genealogy Society, for fall 2000, will be 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18, in the Game Room of the Hereford Community Center.

Members and others interested in genealogy are welcome.

 Child welfare board meeting The Deaf Smith County Child Welfare Board will meet for a regular meeting in the County Courtroom at 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

The board will discuss minutes from the last meeting, the financial report and reports from Children's Protective Service workers.

4-H parents meet

Deaf Smith County 4-H Parents Association will meet at 7 p.m. today in the Hereford Community Center.

All 4-H parents are encouraged to attend as the association prepares for the upcoming year's activities, including fund raising, youth projects and contests.

For more information, please contact the Extension office at 364-3573.

Sophomore class parent meeting

There will be a sophomore parents meeting at 7 p.m., Thursday in the High School library to discuss the homecoming float and the class supper.



Not just little ones -- Saturday's Kidfish event didn't mean just fun for the little kids, but older kids, like Teresa Rodriguez, got into the act as well, and proudly displayed her stringer of keepers. The Aquatic Center pond was stocked Friday with more than 1,000 pounds of catfish, trout and bass ranging in size from three and four inchers to some measuring more than 21 inches.

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Hundred of young anglers arrived at the Hereford Aquatic Center Pond Saturday mornig to compete for special prizes, but more importantly was the fun of catching a fish. The younger the fisherman, the more thrilled they were with catching a fish. Jonathan Lee (left), 5, and Jacob Smith (right), 7, both caught good sized catfish early in the day. The fishing wasn't just for the youngsters, but the parents also got a chance to get in a little fishing and spend some time with their kids during the event. Many adults got a bigger kick out of watching the kids get a big catch, than from catching one of their



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School news

High School

An open house and formal dedication of three new educational buildings at Hereford High School will be at 4 p.m.

Ceremonies will be held for the two Career and Technology Buildings at 701 and 703 Grand and the Physical Education Building at 203 Ave. F.

Masons will conduct a cornerstone leveling followed by special presentations which begin at 6 p.m. in the commons Area of Career and Technology Building II, where cattle brands from local ranches will be displayed for historical purposes along with a windmill which once stood on the Dick and Ruth Hagar farm near Dawn.

Anyone interested in having their local brands included should contact Carloyn Waters, Jeri Bezner or superintendent Elizabeth Abernethy.

Northwest

A dinner sponsored by the Parent Teacher Organization of Northwest Elementary is planned for 5:30 tonight followed by TAAS presentations and an open house.

Hereford Junior High

School photos will be taken Thursday, Sept. 21. Students should dress appropriately.

Students will begin a fund raiser on Sept. 27, to help purchase a marque which will advertise important school

information. Open house will be at 7 p.m., Sept. 28. Parents will be able to pick up report cards at that time.

Bluebonnet

Bluebonnet Intermediate School will host an open house at Sept. 21. Events begin followed by the annual open house.

Bluebonnet is also hosting a Scholastic Book Fair Sept. 11-15. Hours are 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m.-noon on Friday. All guests are welcome.

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Obituaries

NORA JEANE GEFFKEN

Sept. 9, 2000

Services for Nora Jeane Geffken, 79, of Amarillo were Monday in the Rose Chapel of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home, with Spencer and Denise Barrett of Las Cruces, N.M. officiating. Burial was in West Park Cemetery, under the direction of

Gililland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Geffken died Saturday in her home.

She was born March 26, 1921, in Hereford to William H.
Russell and Nora Alice Daniel. She married J.R. Jack Geffken, on Sept. 11, 1943, in Houston. She was a member of the First Christian Church. She had worked as a loan processor for the Farmers Home Administration.

Survivors include one son, Jack Geffken, of Amarillo; one daughter, Janyce Bonifield of Fort Worth; two brothers, L.B. Russell of Hereford and Daniel Russell of Albuquerque, N.M.; one sister, Mary Ruth Barrett of Hobbs, N.M.; three granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by her husband. The family suggests memorials be made to the Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice or the American Cancer Society.

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JOHN L. GABEL

AMARILLO - Services for John L. Gabel, 72, of Amarillo were Monday in St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church with Monsignor Joseph Tash officiating. Burial was in the Llano Cemetery under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home.

Mr. Gabel died Friday.

He was born in St. Francis. He was a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church. He was a member of St. Thomas

the Apostle Catholic Church. He worked for Asarco.

He married Marion Engelbrecht in 1948 in Amarillo.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Marcia Liekhus of Amarillo; six sons, Gary, Dennis, Ken, Kevin, Mike and Mark Gabel all of Amarillo; five sisters, Viola Wagner of Hereford, Risner of Joshua and Leona Sexton of Albuquerque, N.M.; two brothers, Don Gabel of Happy and Dick Gabel of Amarillo; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son and one daughter.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Sept. 8-11, include the follow-

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- A 25-year-old man was arrested in the 200 block of 13th and charged with aggravated domestic assault and burglary of a habitation.

- A 15-year-old male was arrested at 13th and Long and charged as a minor in possession of alcohol and curfew violations. A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged with a minor driving under the influence of alcohol. An 18-year-old man was arrested and charged with minor in possession of alcohol; and a 21-year-old man was arrested and charged with furnishing alcohol to minors and various traffic warrants.

- A 31-year-old man was detained in the 500 block of Myrtle and charged with reckless driving and driving while intoxicated.

- A 46-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of Lake and charged with violation of probation.

- A 38-year-old man and a 36-year-old woman were arrested in the 100 block of Ranger and charged with city warrants.

- A 37-year-old man was arrested in the 500 block of Irving and charged with a city warrant. A 33-year-old woman was arrested in the 500 block of Irving and charged with assault.

- A 26-year-old man was arrested at Highway 385 and Park Avenue and charged with a county warrant.

- A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged as a minor

block of Avenue E resulting in the arrest of two minors charged with minors in possession of alcohol, and three adults were charged with furnishing alcohol to minors, disorderly conduct and possession of marijuana.

Incidents - A black Huffy mountain bike was recovered at 13th and Avenue G.

- An accident with injuries was reported in the 400 block of East Park Avenue. - A dog bite was reported in

the 400 block of 15th. Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 700 block of

Avenue G. - The theft of an accordion was reported in the 400 block of Avenue K.

A nude man was reported in the 300 block of Jowell. - Graffiti to a trash dumpster was reported in the 200 block

of Floss. - A sexual assault which happened in the 300 block of Avenue H in October or No-

vember of 1999 was reported. - A junk vehicle was reported in the 100 block of Avenue H.

 A junk vehicle was reported in the 600 block of Star. - An incident involving two juveniles was reported in the 400 block of Long.

- A minor accident was reported at Dairy Road and Highway 60. - A minor accident was re-

ported in the 200 block of Avenue K.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests A 20-year-old man was arin possession of alcohol and possession of marijuana, under two ounces. A 43-year-old man was ar-

rested and charged with retalia-

- A 25-year-old man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, furnishing alco-

hol to minors. A 37-year-old man was ar-rested and charged with felony driving while intoxicated and driving without a license.

- A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana under two ounces, bail jumping, and failure to appear.

Incidents - An attempted suicide was reported.

- A minor in possession of alcohol was reported. - A driving while intoxicated and a criminal trespass were

reported. Retaliation was reported. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Sept. 9 - 4:23 a.m. Firefighters responded to a trash fire ½ mile north on Highway 385 and 1/2

- 7:29 p.m. Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue at Park and Avenue D. Sept. 10

8:50 p.m. Firefighters responded to 104 N. 25 Mile Avenue for a wreck rescue.

- 9:12 p.m. Firefighters responded to a grassfire 8 miles

east on Highway 60. - 11:57 a.m. Firefighters responded to a grassfire on County Roads 5 and C. Approximately 70 acres of native grasses burned due to a ciga

- 8:00 p.m. Firefighters responded to a cotton burr fire on Walnut Road.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT The Hereford Animal Con-

trol office has the following animals for adoption: - brown and white female Basset Hound mix; - eight mixed breed puppies,

eight-12 weeks old; - a yellow Lab mix, neutered; - male pit bull; male lab mix, white with

brown spots, approximately 1year-old. Information on these ani-

mals may be obtained by contacting Javier Frausto, at 363-

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Texas lottery

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La Madre Mia Study Club begins year with fall brunch

La Madre Mia Study Club held its annual brunch to open the new club year Saturday at the home of Mysedia Smith which was decorated in a fall theme with

pumpkins and scarecrows.

Co-hostesses for the brunch were Mary Herring, Cindy Cassels, June Owens, Glenda Marcum, Bettye Owen, and Gladys Merritt.

They served breakfast casse-roles, figenskaus, fruit plate with

dip, cinnamon rolls, zucchini bread, sparkling apple juice and coffee. The table flowers and decorations continued the fall

Club yearbooks were distributed. Kerry Glidewell prepared the yearbooks and in apprecia-tion, a donation in her honor will be made to the Nazarene Christian Academy.

Plans for the Tour of Homes

which will be Dec. 3 were

which will be Dec. 3 were discussed.

Members present were Carolyn Baxter, Ruth Black, Francyne Bromlow, Merle Clark, Linda Cumpton, Lajean Henry, Kay Hall, Mary Herring, Betty Lady, Jan Metcalf, Lavon Nieman, Nancy Paetzold, Susan Robbins, Tricia Sims, Georgia Sparks, Betty Taylor, Nicky Walser, Judy Williams, Cassels, Marcum, Merritt, Owens and Smith.

Harder presents program for meeting of Wyche FCE Club

Nutrition was the topic of the program given by Beverly Harder during the Sept. 7 meeting of the Wyche Family Community Education Club in the Hereford.

Community Center. Harder, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, asked questions about nutrition, using a television game show format with a buzzer for each "contestant."

Club president Jo Lee presided at the business meeting. Council delegate Carol Sartain

gave her report. She said that three names have been chosen from which the new FCE club name will be selected during the State meeting.

The choices are Texas Extension Volunteer Education Association, Texas Volunteer Extension Association and Texas

Extension Education Association. The Council voted for the delegates to support the third choice.

Results of the quilt ticket sales and crafts and baked goods booth during the Jubilee were reported.

Refreshments were served by hostesses Audrey Rusher and Jo Lee to the guest Harder and to members Thelma Auten, Roxie Cosper, Argen Draper and Sartain.

CREATORS SYNDICATE

Ann Landers

Landers: I recently asked my mother to take care of my 7-year-old daughter, "Shawna," for

Landers a few after-

noons, be-cause I was unable to get to the day-care center before it closed. All went well for a while, but the second week, Shawna went out to play and unintentionally let my mother's cats out of the house. Mom went running after the cats, fell, and required minor medical care. When I picked up Shawna, Mom told me what had happened. I have never seen her so angry. I apolo-gized and offered to pay the medical bill.

My mother refuses to forgive Shawna, and blames me for not raising her properly. What is worse, Mom has told Shawna that she is no longer welcome in her home. My daughter is heartbroken. This is Mom's only grandchild, and I cannot believe she is being so punitive. Is there something more I can do? The cats are perfectly fine, and my mother was not seriously hurt. I believe she is being too hard on Shawna, but I don't know how to fix it. What do you suggest? — Crushed D.

Dear Crushed: Your

mother is overreacting in a big way. By the time this letter appears in print, her skinned knees will have healed, and hopefully, she will be less angry. If she puts Shawna out of her life, I promise you she will regret it. See that your mother reads this column. It could make a big difference in

Dear Ann Landers: May I tell your readers about an incident that taught me a lesson about life?

While driving on the highway to work, I moved into the left lane of traffic. Suddenly, I heard a loud horn beeping. My immediate reaction was to jerk the wheel to the right. I lost control of the car, swerved back and forth, then my car slid into a deep embankment. I felt totally helpless, but thank God, the car didn't tip over.

I heard a knock at my win-

dow, and saw a police officer. He was kind and patient, and tried to get my car out of the ditch. A young man going in the opposite direction saw us, pulled over, and ran to help. At the same time, a tow truck appeared, and the driver also offered to push my car. Within minutes, my car was back on the highway, and I was on my way to work.

Ann, I am only 18, and yet I had become rather cynical about people in general. I had come to the conclusion that it was a me-first world. That demonstration of human kindness made me realize most people are pretty decent after all. - Jennifer in Coral Springs, Fla.

Dear Jennifer: I've learned

that people often react to the high expectations of others. Expect the best, and more often than not, you'll get it. You were the recipient of a lovely act of kindness. Now, pass it on.

Dear Ann Landers: My older sister has a 16-year-old son with major behavioral problems. He is verbally abusive to his parents, and offensive to everyone else. Last week, he ruined another family gathering with his terrible conduct. It's getting so bad that nobody wants to have him around.

Our extended families get together often, and his presence makes everyone uncomfortable. I'm tempted to exclude him the next time I am the hostess. My mother says there is no way I can do that without hurting my sister.

Tell me, Ann, should I hurt

my sister, which I would hate to do, or must everyone else have a lousy time because of this kid? — No Name in Ohio Dear N.N.: That boy needs

help. Tell your sister to get him into counseling before the small problems become serious ones. Do NOT exclude the child. It could make him resentful, and he would learn nothing from the exclusion. It would also be a kindness to your sister not to isolate her son from the family.

An alcohol problem? How can you help yourself or some-one you love? "Alcoholism: How to Recognize It, How to Deal With It, How to Conquer It" will give you the answers. Send a self-addressed, long, businesssize envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Alcohol, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.)

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CREATIVE FAMILY FUN

Donna's Day

By Donna Erickson

Play a game with your kids in which you think of food and recipes named after people. There's Melba toast, named after Nellie Melba, a famous opera singer from the time around the turn of the century; Oysters Rockefeller; Fettuccine Alfredo; and of course Granny Smith.

I don't know if anyone really knows who she is, but her apple is ideal for a simple and quick-to-prepare dessert called Tarte Tatin, named after the French

While kids old enough to

handle a peeler or small knife peel and core the apples, tell them that years ago in France, Stephanie Tatin was making a pie in such a hurry that she put the apples in the pan before the pastry. She added the pastry on top so that it wouldn't go to waste. A new caramelized apple pie was created, a yummy recipe your family will enjoy during this apple season.

Preneat over to 350 a In an ovenproof, 10-inch skillet, an adult should heat 1 cup sugar over medium heat until it begins to caramelize. Immedi-

ately place 4 peeled, halved and cored Granny Smith or Golden Delicious apples in the skillet and cook until apples are slightly tender, about 5 minutes.

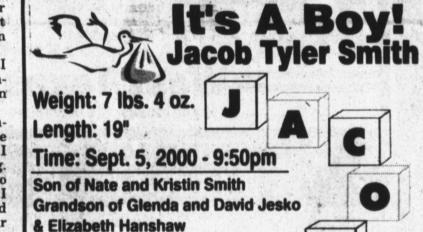
Turn the apples cut-side-up on the skillet and carefully lay one prepared pie-crust dough over the top to form a slight dome shape. With a spatula, tuck the dough under slightly around the apples and poke several holes in the

Bake in the oven for 15-20 minutes, until the crust is golden Remove from the oven and carefully flip it over onto a serving plate, keeping it in

one piece. Cool slightly: Serve warm in slices with a scoop

of vanilla ice cream. Note: If you do not have an ovenproof skillet, add the caramelized sugar and cooked apples to a greased pie pan. Cover with pie crust and continue as described above.

Write to Donna and share your favorite family activities at her new Web www.donnasday.com. Watch "Donna's Day with Donna Erickson" on Odyssey, a Hallmark and Henson Net-



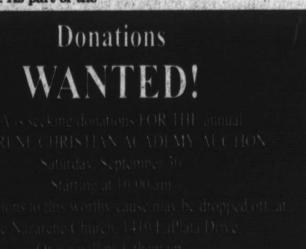
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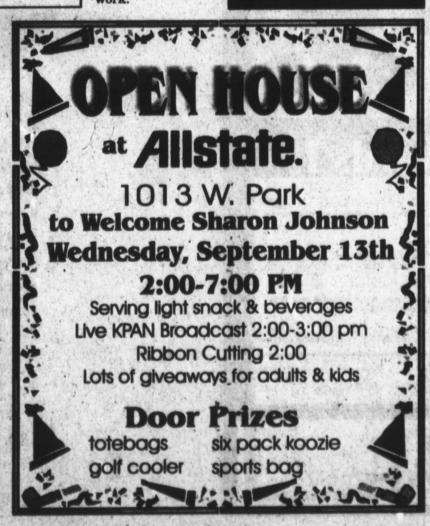
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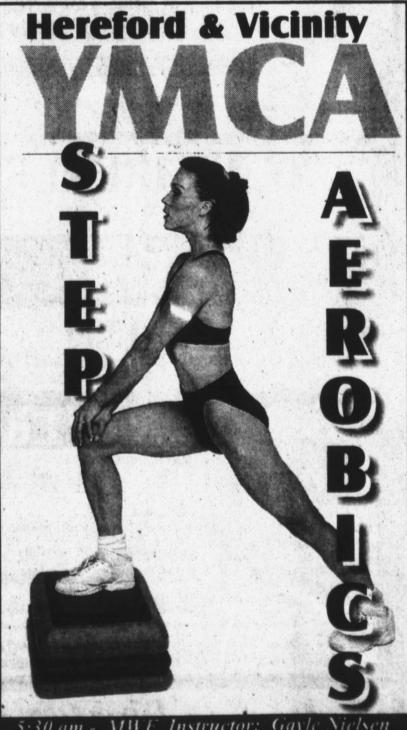


Highlights of our Capitol

President George Washington and Pierre L'Enfant, whom the President had designated to make the plans for Washington, D.C., chose the site for the national capitol atop Jenkins' Hill, Washington laid the cornerstone in a Masonic ceremony on Sept. 18, 1793, but he died before Congress moved into the building in 1800. As part of the







5:30 am - MWF Instructor: Gayle Nielsen 6:00 pm - MTWT Instructors: Heather Wilburn & Yvette Gamboa

Support group alleviates forgotten feeling

Sandy Kelley knows most of her friends and family probably assumed someone else was "being there" for her and her husband Paul.

Surely, they must have thought, someone else was calling, sending cards or dropping off plates of brownies to show they cared.

stroke in 1997, almost no one

That's why Sandy, 48, decided to seek out others who might be struggling through similar situations.

Paul left the house on the morning of Oct. 23, 1997, to go to work at Allied Engineer-

But they weren't. ing and Design, a company he Ever since Paul suffered at co-founded and was, president roke in 1997, almost no one of. He didn't come home again for 14 months.

> He doesn't remember much about that day or the weeks "The only thing I remem-

ber is the doctor working on me," said Paul, 54. "I don't remember any of what hap-

pened at the office."

In the past three years, he has undergone 13 brain surgeries for damage caused by a hemorrhage that burst on the right hemisphere of his brain and rendered his left side all

During the first few weeks of Paul's hospital stay, Sandy, his wife of almost 19 years, kept a notebook with the names of his visitors. A typical day would fill an entire

page with well-wishers.

But as the weeks wore on, the number of visitors began to dwindle. She stopped keeping tabs in the notebook.

Soon there were no visi-

Paul came home in December 1999. Since then, he's had few visitors — and even fewer who visit regularly.

That's why, several months ago, she sat down and wrote an open letter to everyone who had neglected to visit. She knew, she said in the

letter, that most of them thought someone else was pop-ping by for the occasional visit with Paul or taking her out to lunch.

The problem was that everyone assumed someone else was doing it.

"What would you say if I told you that you're the example of support we've re-ceived? No one has called orbeen by or brought a casse-role more often than you," she read from the letter. "Absolutely no one has offered to stay a few hours with Paul to keep him company more often than you have. You sent the last bouquet of flowers. You brought the last cake and the last pound of brownies. The last card was signed by you."

She sent the letter to only

one friend who had offered support. She didn't want to alienate their friends and acquaintances — she just needed

Although it helped, something was missing. What she really needed was a sympa-thetic ear — one that would be able to identify with what

she was going through.

For that reason, Sandy, who has a bachelor's degree in social work, contacted Wesley United Methodist Church about starting a support group for others in similar situations. She ran an announcement in the newspaper and put up flyers around town, hoping one or two fellow caregivers would see them and drop by for the organizing meeting on July 17.

That day, 11 showed up.
Ruth Snider was among them. Her son, 39-year-old Ken Jr., has cerebral palsy.
Although Ken Jr. lives in-

dependently, he still requires help with day-to-day activities such as hygiene, cooking and cleaning. He has an attendant in the morning and early evening, but when he needs someone any other time, he calls Ruth.

"He's such a bright kid," she said. "But, physically, he can't care for himself."

The Beaumont group was not Snider's first support group. Years ago, while living in Kerrville, she joined a similar group in San Antonio.

"It's always been beneficial to sit and share problems with people who really understand." she said. "It can give you the respite you will desperately

Snider, 59, said she's got-ten more than emotional support from such groups. She's also made important contacts and learned about advancements in technology and therapy that have helped her care for her son.

"I've come across good resources through others," she said. "I've found out about equipment and places to connect (Ken Jr.) with for recreation, health and all kinds of other things.

She found voice-activated computer and telephone sys-

tems and ways to adapt his home so he can open doors and turn on lights.

If she had never involved

herself in support groups, Ken Jr. might not have been able to live so independently, Snider said.

Sylvia Marotta, associate professor of counseling at George Washington University, said just having an empathetic ear to vent to can help allevi-

ate some emotional distress.

"One of the things we know about groups is that if you are able to hear others who have the same troubles, it can have a healing effect," she said. "And, if you've shared your story and it has helped others, you've committed an altruistic act, and that is also

helpful."

In Kelley's group, members are not obligated to share their stories. If they aren't ready, they are welcome to come just to listen.

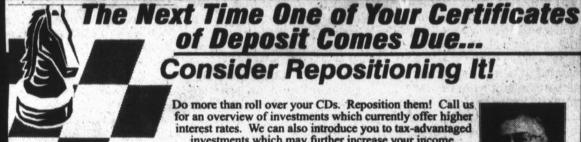
"That's very important be-cause a standard, round-robin group where everyone is expected to participate can be very intimidating to a person who is not at that level of readiness," Marotta said. "They should have the freedom to participate or not to participate, especially in the begin-

The first few years of car-ing for a loved one can be especially stressful — financially, physically and emotion-

Kelley said she hopes others find their way to her group's meetings, where they might realize others have shared experiences such as grappling with insurance companies and adapting their homes to accommodate loved

A local care givers support group meets each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the library of King's Manor Methodist Home. Shelly Moss is group facilitator.

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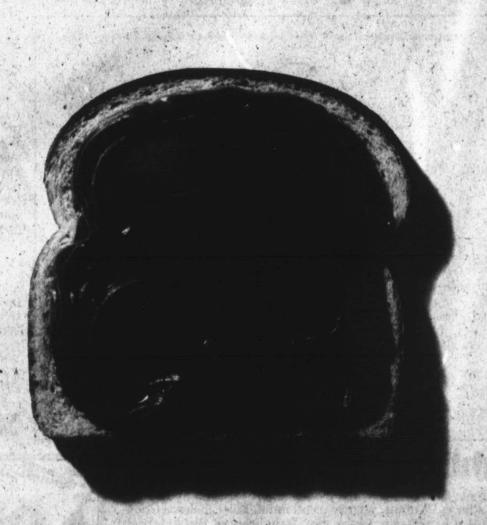
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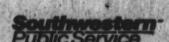
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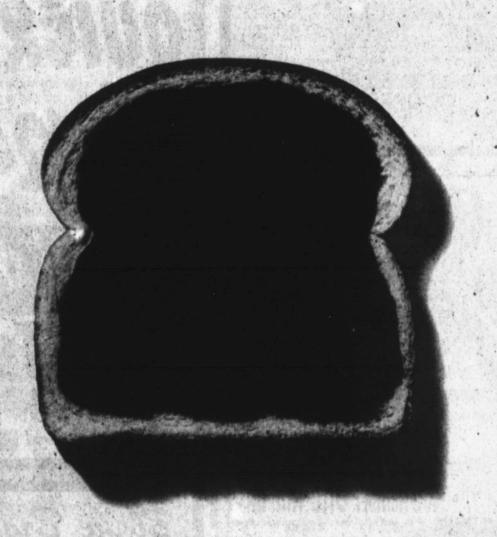


HEREFORD BRAND . Tuesday, September 12, 2000



Doubling up—The Heifers and Bulls Golf Tournament took place this past weekend at the John Pitman Golf Course to help benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The event earned more than \$14,000 for the foundation. Teams were made up of one male and one female each. Forty-nine teams participated in the golf tournament. Jerry and Linda Stevens (above) watch one of their putts lip around and out of the hole during Saturday's golf event. The Stevens' finished second in the championship flight of the

tournament with a total score of 165. The event also featured an autotion where several unique golf items were auctioned off to the highest bidder. A Tiger Woods replica golf bag was auctioned off for \$7800 which went to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. (Photos by Mauri Montgome



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The annual Hereford event raised an excess of \$14,000 for the Make-A-Wish Founda-

Much of the money raised was a result of a Tiger Woods and Buick replica golf bag going for \$7,800 in an auc-

The only Hereford resinament include Smith and dents who placed in the golf Smith in the first flight with tournament were Jerry and second in the championship flight.

The duo came in one shot behind the Amarillo team of Walker and Walker who shot a 61 and a 63 for a 124. The team of Thompson and Spuier came in third with a score of

Other winners in the tour-



Jerry Shipman, CLU

a total score of 131, Pingle Linda Stevens who combined and Pingle in the second flight for a round of 125 to place with a total score of 138, the Garlands in the third flight with a combined round of 144 and the Mershons with a total of 152.



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The YMCA Flag Football League is designed for boys. Everyone is eligible to play regardless of athletic ability. Teams are coached by adult volunteers. The leagues specializes in wholesome competition while teaching the fundamentals of team play and good sportsmanship.

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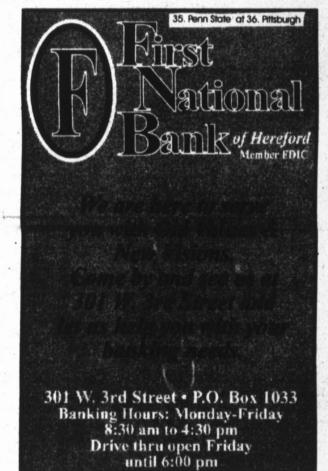
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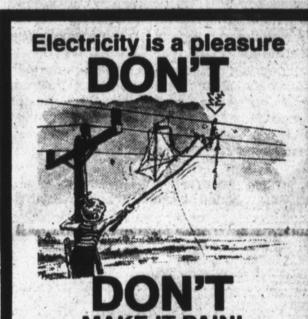






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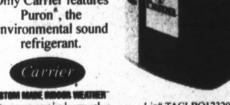


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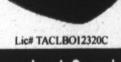
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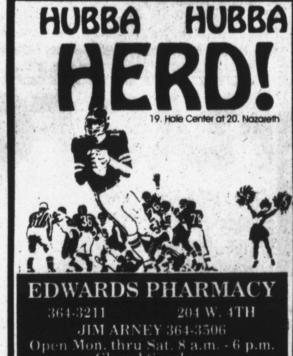
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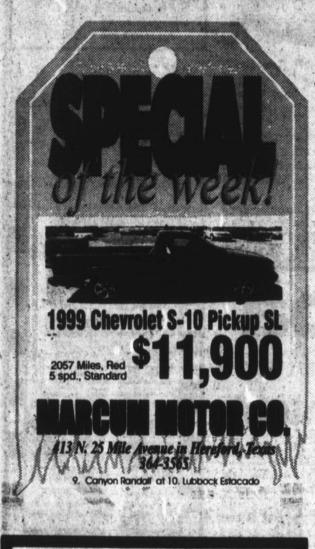


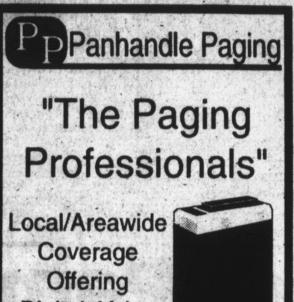


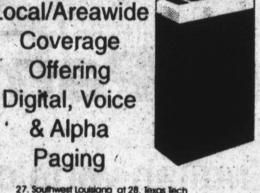
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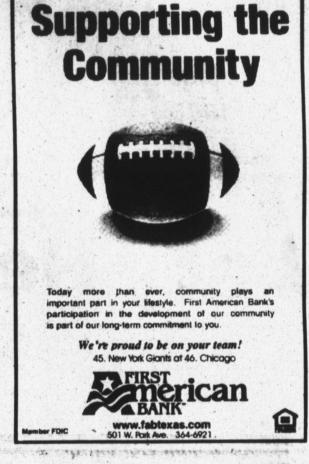






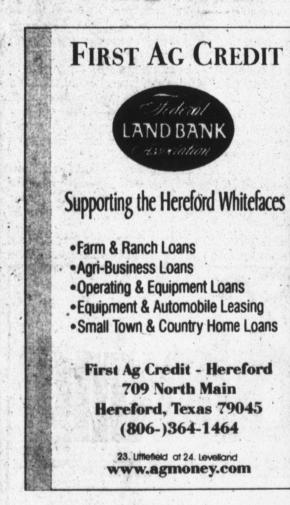
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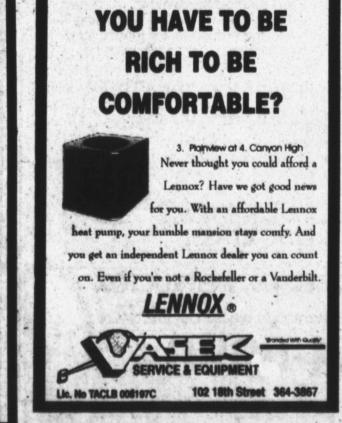








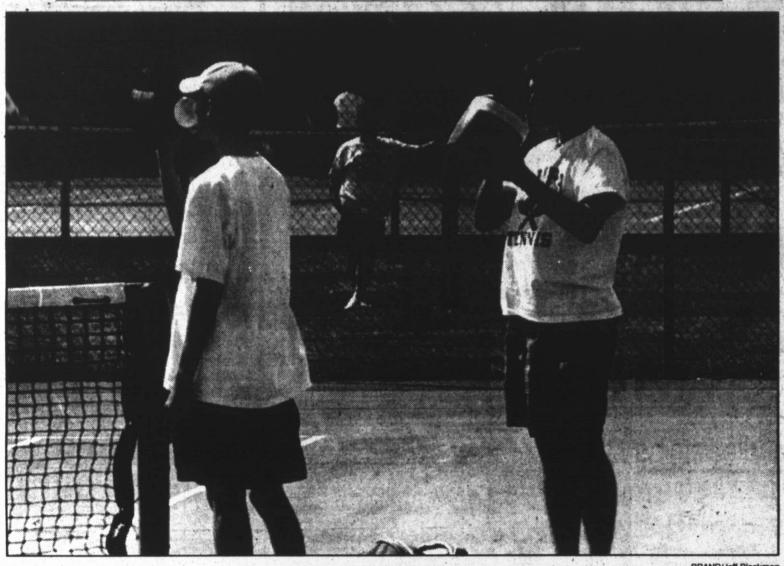
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COOLING OFF



Cooling down—Two tennis players take a breather during the district tournament held in Hereford this past weekend. The team will have cooler temperatures today when they host Amarillo Caprock at the Hereford High courts at 4 p.m.

Hereford cross country excels

The Hereford Whiteface cross country teams came away with top finishes this past weekend at their meet in Plainview.

The Lady Whitefaces came in second with 67 points while the boys placed fourth with a total of 101 points.

Leading the way for the girls was senior Brionne Yosten who edged out Amarillo High's Stephanie Sharp for first place individually. Yosten beat Sharp with a time of 12 minutes 45 seconds, eight seconds ahead of Sharp. Helping the Lady Herd was also Ruby Crox who placed. sixth with a time of 13:35, and Shari High who came in 12th place with a time of 14 minutes 5 seconds.

The team saw their natch win come off a tw

the team is this afternoon at p.m. when they host Amai Caprock.

p.m., and the varsity will begin

participants was 112, and the

total tie-breaker score was 53.

third place winners are now

eligible for the \$1,000 grand

prize given out at the end of the

This week's first, second and

at 7 p.m.

season.

Other results from the women's team included Amy Crox's 24th place finish, and

Anne Lopez's placed 30th.

The Hereford boys placed fourth overall behind Canyon, Clovis and Palo Duro. Anthony Gonzalez led the men with his ninth place finish with a time of 17 minutes 53 seconds.

Jose Ozuna also helped the Herd finishing 15th in the meet with a time of 18 minutes and 9 seconds.

Other results for the Hereford men include Raymond Castillo's 26th place finish, and Carlos Perez's 32nd place finish. The cross country team next will travel to Clovis on Saturday.

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Lady Herd bounces Pampa

■ Team plays Caprock tonight

The Hereford Lady Whitefaces disposed of Pampa 16-14, 15-0 on Saturday to improve to 17-5 and 2-0 in district.

In the win, head coach Brenda Kitten said she felt like her team did lots of things to dominate the games including hitting the ball hard.

"I think our hitters are getting better," Kitten said. for us for a while."

The team held on to win the first set after battling the Lady Harvesters. A big block by junior middle blocker Michelle Bernhardt and junior middle blocker Kali Hall put the Lady Herd up 11-8 in the first set, but Pampa battled back to get within two points 13-11.

With Pampa serving, senior outside hitter Ashley Fangman had a big kill to put the team up 14-11. Pampa again fought back to get the score to 14-14, but points to win 16-14.

Kitten said the first game win showed the character of her

"I think we worked our way through when it was getting tough in that first game," Kitten said. "We hung on and didn't take our head out of the game-

The second different story for Hereford. The Lady Whitefaces came out determined to shut down Pampa and did just that, winning the second game 15-0. Kitten said she believed her team saw the second game as another chance to play the way they should have in the first game.

"I felt like we were thankful we had a second chance," Kitten said. "I think then (the second

game) we were prepared." Kitten said she also felt her

team came out with emotion in

Hereford High rallied for two the second game. In the first junior high gym tonight. game, the coach said her team lacked the excitement for a volleyball game.

> "I don't think our stomachs were excited too much," Kitten said. "You have got to have that when you step into a district ball

"I understand there are when things weren't going well. times when you go to play a "I'm happy with how well we game and don't put a lot of hung in there," Kitten said. emotion into it, but we can't ever step onto the court with no emotion," Kitten said.

Leading the way for the Lady Whitefaces was Bernhardt who had nine kills for the afternoon. Sophomore middle blocker Sarah Griffin had eight kills while Hall had seven and Fangman totaled five.

Sophomore designated setter Catherine Beville had 29 sets for the team, and junior setter McKenzie Tabor had 18

The team will be in action against Amarillo Caprock at the

The JV gets underway at 6

English wins contest This week's Hereford Brand Football Contest winner was

Mary English. English only missed four games for the week.

Second place went to Gayle Cotten who missed only five games with a tie-breaker score

Joani Guyer also only missed five games but placed third with her tie-breaker score of 40.

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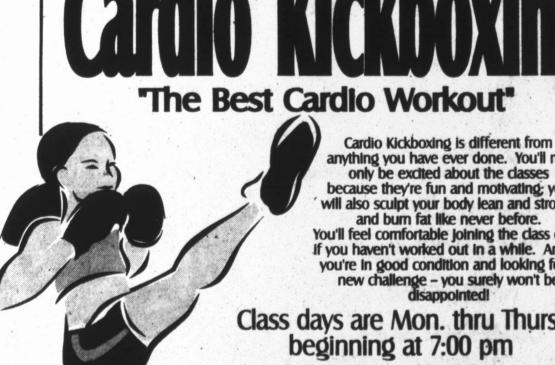
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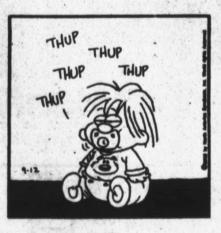
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By Tom Armstrong

FOR A LITTLE PICK-ME-UP!















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ARTICLES FOR SALE

REBUILT KIRBYS 1/2 price with warranty. Other name brands. \$39 & up. Sales and repairs in your home, on all makes and models. Call 364-

THE ROADS Of Texas and The Roads of New Mexico are on sale at The Hereford Brand in book form. Both maps are \$14.95 each plus tax. Discover roads you never knew were there. Hereford Brand, 313 N. Lee.

SHARP MODEL F7800 business copier. Excellent condition. Includes cabinet stand. Call 364-3333 (days), 364-1362 (nights).

AKC-MINIATURE SCHNAU-ZER Puppies. 2-females, salt & epper, parents on premises. Born 7-14-00. Shots, dew claws & tails cropped. Call Carla or Ron at 364-6965 leave message.

WEINER PIGS For sale. Call 364-0255.

BIG SCREEN TV for sale. Take on small payments. Good credit required. 1-800-398-3970.

1/2 BOXER Male, 8 months old to give away. Full blood, spayed. Doberman good with kids. Call 364-7145 after 5:00.

1a. GARAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE Xi Epsilon Alpha Group Sale. Lots of everything. 340 Centre, Saturday 8:00-200.

3. AWTOMOBILES

See Us Before You Buy 413 N. 25 Mile Avenue • 364-3565

1992 SUBURBAN, Very good condition. Willconsider reasonable offer. Call 364-3333 days, mobile 344-4451.

1996 DODGE Grand Caravan. See at Hereford Credit Union. Taking bids, 364-1888.

1989 DOGE Caravan SE. 2.5L, turbo, A/C, auto, cruise power, S/B/W, tinted windows, Class II hitch. Well maintained. Book \$2,800 but sell for \$2,500. Call 358-6288.

1988 CHEV. Conversion van. V-8, dual air, full power. \$3,250. 364-8812.

CLASSIFIEDS WORK! **PLACE YOURS BY** CALLING 364-2030

FOR SALE: 1996 Dodge Grand Caravan ES, excellent condition, well maintained V-6, 3.8 liter, automatic, 4-door, quad seating, rear air, power steering, power windows, locks and seat, AM-FM stereo, cassette and CD, Phone 364-1239 for information after 5:00 p.m. or leave message.

FOR SALE: 1986 Chevy Pickup long wheelbase, 305 motor, new transmission, good tires. \$2,500. Call after 6:00 364-4135.

1981 CORVETTE. Charcoal metallic gray, mirror, T-tops, very clean. Call 806-364-8634 after 5:00 P.M.

4. REAL ESTATE

Price Reduced 301 Hickory, 3 bedroom, 2 baths, fireplace, 2,000 sq.ft. Home. \$58,000 **Good Starter Home** 620 Avenue J, 3 bedroom, 11/2 baths, \$35,000 **Mobile Home and Lot** 113 Campbell, 3 bedroom, 2 baths

\$22,500 **Shop Building and Acreage** formerly occupied by Dearing Wrecking on Progressive Road, 8.4 acres with well and 80 ft. by 50 ft. shop

> Hamby Real Estate Gerald Hamby, Broker 364-3566 **Equal Housing Opportunity**

HOME BUYERS! 1999 Government Assistance Program is available to first-time home buyers with low to moderate income. You could receive up to \$7,500 in assistance. Call Kyle Michaels at 356-9444 to apply.

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath Burleson Home, fireplace, window dormer, atrium doors, many upgrades. Must go to make room for New Year Models. Financing available. Call Weldon @ 1-806-342-0440.

PERFECT HOME For the beginning family! 3bedroom, 2 bath Lancaster Home, gas appliances. Just put on the market. This one won't last long. Ask for Paul 1-800-820-0103.

2 BEDROOM, 2 bath home. Great quality at reasonable price. I can finance with approved credit. Call Irma for more details. 1-806-342-0440. Si Habla Espanol.

NEED A Beautiful, high quality home? I've got it. 1330' of Oak Creek elegance. 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, oak cabinets, moen faucets. Built with the wrong appliance package. Hurry and you can save on this home. Call Kristen @ 1-800-820-0103.

TRAILER HOUSE For sale: pick up payments and \$3,000 down. Call 806-481-0436.

FOR SALE: Between Friona and Lazbuddy, 328 acres, 2 pivots, 2 good irrigation wells, 1 domestic well. Call 806-250-3615.

PRIME FARM/PASTURE Land, NE edge of Hereford, Avenue K. approximately 130 acres. Will negotiate/will finance. For information, call Mr.



5. RENTAL PROPERTY

BEST DEAL In Town! 1 bedroom efficiency apartments. Bills paid, red brick apartments. 300 block West 2nd. 364-

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1409 E. Park Avenue

364-5778

ELDORADO APARTMENTS

Now has 1&2 bedroom apart-

ments available. We pay water,

cable, gas. Starting at \$70/week.

BEDROOM Apartment.

Stove & fridge furnished. W/D

hookups, water paid. Call 364-

FOR RENT! 512-A Avenue G. 3

bedroom duplex stove, utility

room, W/D connections, fenced

yard. Some new carpet. 364-

APARTMENTS:

LIGHTS | INCLUDED

Rent based on income. Accepting

applications for 1,2,3,4 bdrms. CALL

Debra or Janis TODAY for information &

directions. 1-5pm (806)364-6661.

Equal Opportunity.

FOR RENT: 4 bedroom, 2 bath,

W/D hookup.\$375/month, \$100

deposit. 200 Bennett. Call 364-

LARGE 2 Bedroom. New

carpet and paint. No pets. Call

NICE 3 Bedroom home. Fenced

yard, references required. 626

Stanton. \$450/month, \$200 de-

APARTMENTS

Unfurnished--2 Br--11/2 Bath

Spacious-Comfortable and

Newly remodeled

Refrigerated Air Bills Paid (Except Elec.)
Cable TV furnished Newly Redecorated

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Call 364-8421 for details

Thunderbird Apartments

after 6:00 p.m. 364-2486.

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Call 363-1254 or 344-2475.

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8. EMPLOYMENT

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation

Pield Clerk Hereford, TX

Regular full -time Field Clerk position with benefits available for fast paced office. Answer phones, data entry, filing and customer service. Experience with purchase requisitions and payroll/time sheets. Computer experience necessary. Must have valid drivers licens

Stop by the Hereford workforce Commission Office to pick up an application and information regarding this position, or send your application or resume to Human Resource Dept., P.O. Box 5089, Abilene TX 79608-5089, fax it to 915-677-1006.

E-mail jobs@txbollweevil.org EBO & Drug Free Workplace

NOW HIRING!! Cleanup (Excel) 3rd Shift. Reasonable pay. Please come by and pick up your application today. Monday-Thursday 7:30AM-2:30PM, Fri-day 7:30AM-11:30AM. T&G Service Company, 1304 West 9th, Friona, Texas (806)247-3144.

CATTLE CLERK Needed for busy feedyard office. Job site is 19 miles NE of Hereford. FT, 5-5 1/2 days per week. Good office skills, including data entry required. Prior feedyard experience or Ag background pre-ferred. Employment to begin in October. Salary will be based upon experience and qualifications. Send resume to Bartlett Cattle, 2 South Hunsley Hills, Canyon, Texas 79015 or fax 806-655-1148. No phone calls please.

HELP WANTED! Saturday & Part-time. 342 Miles. Inkahoots.

> I am looking for a sharp individual to learn my business. I will train the right person. Call for details 1-800-550-4704. Code #44

FREE INTERVIEWS!!

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation will be interviewing and hiring 15-20 open

Tuesday, September 12, 2000 Wednesday, September 13, 2000

Hereford Texas Workforce Commissi 403 W. 7th Street

Hereford, TX 806-364-8600 Applicants must be at least 18 years old, have a valid driver's license and be insurable under dation fleet guidelines. Work is outdoors, driving on country road

for boll weevils in cotton fields Company vehicle provided with parking available in Hereford. Work is in Priona and Hereford area and will be available until cotton is harvested. Applications are taken anytime at the Hereford TWC or call our Friona office at (806)247-8008

Drug-free and equal employment opportunity employer



Full time & part time, must be 18 years of age or older and have a good driving record, be dependable and have their own transportation. Average pay (\$7.00 to \$11.00/hr) with commission & bonuses.

DELIVERY DRIVERS APPLY BY PERSON. Resume may be found attention Trenton Maples 806-359-3218 or mailed to Pizza Hal, P.O. Box 8000 Amerillo, TX 79114-8000.

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Friona.

POSITION AVAILABLE: Westway Feed Products in

Dimmitt has an immediate

opening for Terminal Operator/

Mixer Operator. 401K, Retirement, Medical and Dental

Insurance. Pay dependent on

qualifications and experience.

Please apply in person N. Hwy

385, Dimmitt, or call (806)647-

WINKLES TRUCKS In Friona

needs someone to load and

unload trucks at night. Please

apply in person. We are located

in the Hi Pro parking lot east of

OFFICE CLERK/SECRE-TARY Needed for busy rural office. Full-Time M-F Saturday AM. Telephone, filing, typing, computer, and bookkeeping skills required. Prior feedyard experience and farm background preferred. Lunch provided. Mature experience professionals only need apply. Salary based upon experience. Send resume with references to Box 1467, Hereford, Texas 79045.

CIRCLE THREE Feedyard has an opening for an experienced pen rider. Apply in person and ask for Shorty or call 276-5241.

Best Opportunity!! www.homebusiness .to/Income-4-u

BRADFORD TRUCKING An E.S.O.P. Company
Now Taking Applications

Hiring for cattle haul. Must have 3 years experience and be acceptable by insurance company, pass DOT drug screen and physical. Benefits Include: insurance and raise after 60 days, vacation after 1 year, retirement paid by Company.

Contact Odell Ward at 1-800-522-5164 or Fax or Send Resume to: P.O. Box 129 Cactus, Texas 79018

WE NEED Help! Our organiza-

tion is expanding in the Here-ford area. We are looking to fill 12 FT/PT positions immediately. Great pay, advancement opportunities and paid vacations! 806-354-6702. 9. CHILD CARE



DEPENDABLE, CHRIS-TIAN, Caregiver would love to care for your child Monday-Friday. Please call Cindy Ashcraft at 364-6725.

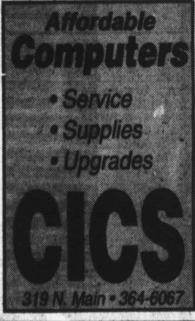
11. BUSINESS SERVICES

Call 363-6727

DEFENSIVE DRIVING Course is now being offered at the Ranch House, 10:00AM the 3rd Saturday of every month. Will include ticket dismissal and insurance discount. For more information, call 1-800-454-6051 or 505-763-5628. #C0023-C0733, McKibben ADS.

TREE & Shrub trimming and removal. Leaf raking and assorted lawn work, rotary tilling and seeding of new lawns. 364-

F&G ROOFING And Construction. 15 years experience in all types of roofing needs. Free estimates. Good references. Insurance Bonded. Call 364-4770 or 344-4770.



All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any pereference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitations or

State laws forbid discrimination in th sale, rental or advertising of real estate based advertising for real estate which is violation of the law. All person are hereby informed that all dwelling advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

Writing Want Ads that really sell!

Unsure how to write a Classified Ad that will get results? Follow these pointers and ou'll soon have an empty space in your storage room and cash in your pocket. For starters, look at ads which offer the same intem/products. Get a sense of going tes and ideas for how to make your ad stand out. Once you're ready to write, begin with exactly what you're selling: "Dining room set, maple, six chairs."

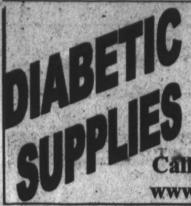
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 Give the price. A newpaper consultant says 70 percent of
 Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car. are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition

. Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.

. Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to nclude a phone number and the best times to reach you.

Classifieds really work!! fax no. 806-966-5532



We accept Medicare and Major Medical!

Diabetic Supplies mailed directly to your home at low or no cost to you.

Convenience and Savings!

Call Now: 1-800-933-8085 www.americandiabetes.com

NEED YOUR Windows cleaned? Call Irene, 363-1900 or Juanita, 363-6509 anytime.

"NEED MUSIC LESSONS?" Tejano, Country, Rock & Blues. Ages 10 years and older. Call Jesse @ 364-0492.

CONCRETE WORK: Patios, driveways, sidewalks, etc.. Free estimates! Eddie Call 363-1682.

CLASSIFIEDS WORK!!

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

or Friends drinking affecting your life?

Come to Al-Anon each Wednesday at 5:15 PM

Nita Lee **Community Center** 14th & Avenue H

ALBERT MURILLO Roofing & Remodeling. 25 Years experience, Work Guaranteed & Free Estimates. All types of roofs & remodeling. Call 364-4735.

NEED CASH \$2,500-\$50,000. Low monthly payments. I day service. No fee just good SVS. For appointment call 1-877-748-BILL (2455).

DEMONSTRATORS NEEDED In local retail chains for in store product demos fun with flexible hours. Call 1-800-726-0081 ext. 203.

BUY IT, SELL IT, GIVE IT AWAY! CLASSIFIEDS WORK!

PLACE YOURS BY CALLING 364-2030

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR.

is LONGFELLOW

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTE

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1500 West Park Avenue • 364-1281 Richard Schlabs Amber Griffth

Prices effective: September 12, 2000

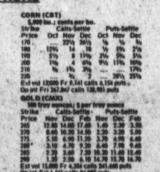
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LEGAL NOTICES

The proposed budget for Deaf Smith County, Texas, for the period of October 1, 2000, to September 30, 2001, is on file in the County Clerk's office in the Courthouse and may be examined between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM Monday through Friday.

The Commissioners Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas, will hold a public hearing on said budget on September 18, 2000, at 9 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom on the second floor of the Courthouse. Any and all persons are invited to attend and have opportunity to be heard concerning the budget.

Placed for publication in the Hereford Brand and posted on the Courthouse notice board this 7th day of August, 2000.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Hereford Independent School District will be accepting Competitive Sealed Proposals until 2:00 P.M., September 15, 2000 at 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue, Hereford, Texas in the office of the Business Manager for the following item:

1).Computer Hardware Upgrades

Plans and specifications of the above may be secured by contacting the Business Office at (806)364-0606. Hereford ISD will reserve the right to accept or refect any or all bids.

Russian general is shot

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News digest

NAZRAN, Russia — Chechen rebels shot and seriously wounded a top Russian general and killed six other soldiers in a series of daring ambushes in Russian-held areas of the republic, officials said Tuesday.

Once again demonstrating their ability to strike behind Russian lines, the rebels shot up Maj. Gen. Anatoly Mikh's car on Monday on the outskirts of Gudermes, the head-quarters of Chechnya's pro-Russian administration, spokesman Sergei Yastrzhembsky said. Mikh was hit by five bullets.

His driver and an officer were

also wounded. **Key votes on China** trade bill scheduled

WASHINGTON - Supporters of major legislation to permanently normalize trade with China girded for a key vote on linking trade relations to China's obeying weapons pro-

liferation agreements.

Sens. Fred Thompson, RTenn., and Robert Torricelli,
D-N.J., on Monday proposed an amendment to the trade bill outlining sanctions on foreign companies and nations that deal in weapons of mass. destruction.

The amendment is opposed by both the administration and Senate backers of the trade bill, who argue that unilateral sanctions don't work and that approval of any amendment could block passage this year.

Presley is named to MGM board

SANTA MONICA, Calif. -Actress Priscilla Presley, already on the board of Elvis Presley Enterprises, has been named to the board of directors of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

A successful actress and author, Presley, 55, is best known as the ex-wife of rock 'n roll pioneer Elvis Presley and mother of his only child, Lisa Marie. As co-executor of Presley's estate since 1979, she has been credited with helping maintain the singer's musical legacy and putting his estate on solid financial footing with tours of his Graceland Mansion and licensing and mer-chandising of Elvis memora-bilia, as well as music publish-ing and video projects related to his life.

She has appeared in the "Na-ked Gun" movies and in televi-sion roles on "Dallas," "Melrose Place," "Touched By an Angel" and "Spin City." Presley also wrote the best-selling book "Elvis and Me."



Getting it ready - The Mize brothers, (from left) Les, Bruce and Mark, pump water out of the sewer line in the 400 block of South 25 Mile Avenue, as they prepare to install fiber-optic telephone lines for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. The Mizes operate Public Utilities Co. of Mobeetie.

FUEL PROTESTS

■ Angry Europeans take to the streets to force governments to slash taxes on fuel

LONDON (AP) - Protesters and union leaders called for European governments to slash fuel taxes, vowing Tuesday to widen demonstrations that have snarled traffic, blockaded refineries, led hospitals to cut back on ambulance services and prompted

motorists to stock up on gasoline.

Truckers, taxi drivers, farmers, tour operators and others who claim that high oil prices are hurting their businesses protested in Britain, Belgium, the Netherlands, France

"These guys are doing it to save their livelihoods," said Mike Salmon, of the British Road Haulage Association, representing protesting truck drivers.

Across Britain, thousands of gas stations were closed and tanker fleets were at a standstill. Some hospital patients faced delayed surgeries as ambulances were put on an emergency-only schedule.

Prime Minister Tony Blair canceled a

planned trip to the north to hold emergency meetings with key ministers. Queen Elizabeth and her senior advisers gave the gov-ernment the go-ahead to employ emergency measures, but officials had not specified what those might be.

In Belgium, truckers intensified their pro-

tests by blockading gasoline depots, disrupting freeway traffic and maintaining a stranglehold on main thoroughfares in the capital, Brussels.

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Truckers also slowed traffic on a freeway linking Brussels with the northern port of Antwerp. The main freeway to Luxembourg was jammed and the highway from Brussels to the French city of Lille was blocked.

Negotiations between road haulage unions and the Belgian government were to resume after breaking up Monday evening.

Truckers in the Netherlands set up road-blockers on five major freeways on the second

Truckers in the Netherlands set up road-blocks on five major freeways on the second day of unorganized protests.

In the western German city of Saarbrucken, more than 200 trucks, buses and taxis drove honking their horns through the center of town, near the French border. Rallying in front of the state parliament building, the protesters demanded that an energy tax imposed by the Social Democratic-led government be repealed.

The protesters want their governments to

The protesters want their governments to follow the French lead in ranting conce

Both the British and German governments said they would not do so. The handful of French protests Tuesday were held by shop-keepers and professionals who claimed to have been cut out of the deal.

"We cannot and we will not alter government

ELECTION 2000

Bush trying out his new style

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — His new more personal campaign style on display, George W. Bush greeted the breakfast crowd at a local diner to start a day devoted to press-ing his health care plan for seniors in a key electoral state he once considered a sure win.

The Republican presidential nominee's brother, Jeb, is Florida governor. And both houses of the Legislature are controlled by the GOP. Bush finds himself having to beat back a familiar Republican foe here — Democratic charges that seniors would lose health benefits under the GOP agenda.

Bush said today that his plan would "leave the Medicare system in place ... but offer additional choices for seniors beyond the current system, additional choices just like federal employees get."

"That stands in contast to my opponent, who says you're going to be part of a govern-ment HMO, that's the only option you have," he told ABC's "Good Morning America."

Later, at Florida Hospital's

cancer institute in Orlando, Bush met with doctors and cancer patients and said Medicare has failed to sufficiently cover new treatments and to

give doctors the options they need to care for cancer patients. "Our Medicare system needs to be reformed," he said. Bush was sidetracked from

his health care message when, arriving in Orlando, he was hit with questions about a Republican Party ad that quickly flashes the word "rats" on the screen while forming the word "bureaucrats" to criticize Democratic nominee Al Gore's health plan. Bush said he took the admaker's word that it wasn't intended as a subliminal message, and noted that the ad already was scheduled to go off the air today.

Gore pushing teacher accountability

MIAMISBURG, Ohio (AP) -Seeking to reclaim a traditional Democratic issue, Al Gore and running mate Joe Lieberman conceded there are "some similarities" between their education proposals and rival George W. Bush's plan, but promoted their ideas as far more sweep-

"What we're proposing is a comprehensive approach that focuses on the classroom," Gore told middle school students in Miamisburg Tuesday. "The difference is we start with accountability, we don't end with accountability" Gore and Lieberman rumbled

across southern Ohio in separate yellow school buses, touting the \$170 billion they would pour into education. Gore strategists were worried that Republican presidential nominee Bush, who also talks often about schools, has made in-roads on the issue that have

shown up in their internal poll-"The amount we would in-

vest in schools is far, far greater than that from the other side," Gore said. Bush spokesman Dan Bartlett ridiculed the bus cara-

van and the proposals as noth-"If Al Gore's school bus is

anything like his education proposal it will have four flat tires," Bartlett said. "Al, Gores' education plan is more of the status quo.

Gore and Lieberman promoted their plan to give a bonus to teachers who agree to work in high-need areas but also returned to their theme that classroom discipline needs to be improved. One student told Gore that youngsters need to be protected from violent movies and video games, and Gore dismissed critics who worry that cracking down on entertainment violence raises free speech issues.

"They just don't understand the truth of it. That's a big problem," Gore said.

While promoting new programs to help students from preschoool to college, Gore and Lieberman were also focusing on requiring teachers to be accountable and meet tough new standards.

"It's more than just putting money in, you have to have results," Gore told students, parents and teachers on a bus rolling toward Middletown. "If you want to get more out of the schools, you have to measure the performance."

It was a balancing act for the Democratic ticket.

The vice president and Lieberman are backed by the politically potent teacher unions, based largely on their call for hiring new teachers and boosting their pay.

The 41-cent rate this year generated \$1,119,456 in property tax revenue. The 39.52cent rate, which would represent a decrease of 1.48 cents, would generate \$1,117,358.

The city's tax base for the year 2000 was put at \$282,710,576, up \$9,672,527 from 1999.

By holding the 41-cent rate, Josserand said the city should realize an additional \$40,000, which he said will be used in the wastewater treatment plant project.

Herb Vogel criticized the proposed rate, saying his taxes are being increased by the city, county and Hereford Independent School District. He also said he expects the Deaf Smith County Hospital District also will adopt a tax rate that will cause his tax bill to increase.

"I don't know how much more we can take with drought and the ag situation,' Vogel said. He said he believes the city should reduce spending, saying he is certain there are areas that could be trimmed.

Vogel also said there are problems in the city, especially along U.S. Highway 60, with litter and other eyesores.

"If the city would just clean up along there, maybe we could get some industry in town," he said.

Josserand said there are some areas that do need to

Nuclear scientist still in custody From Page A1

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — With a plea agreement close, Wen Ho Lee returned to confinement as defense lawyers and prosecutors tried to iron out details.

Officials had said Sunday Lee would agree to plead guilty to one of the 59 counts against him — downloading restricted material to an unsecured computer - and be sentenced to the nine months he has already served in jail. be cleaned up, but all of the city's residents need to help.

Nell Norvell said she has done everything she can to keep her property "respectable," which she said resulted a higher valuation and a bigger tax bill.

"I live on a limited income, so where am I going to get money to pay for it? Do I use my savings to pay for it? For what? What am I supposed to do?" she said. "Maybe if I didn't keep my place clean, I wouldn't have to pay more taxes."

Rachel Ueckert asked why industries and businesses don't come to Hereford, saying residents read about prospects coming to town, then choosing another location, citing Wal-Mart's decision not to open a store in Hereford.

Josserand disagreed emphatically, saying the city pursued Wal-Mart vigorously.

Ueckert also urged the city to pursue a prison, saying she is a native of McAlester, Okla., which is home to the main Oklahoma penetentiary. She said a prison is a good industry, generating many jobs and boosting a local economy.

Josserand agreed, saying representatives of the city, county, school district and hospital district already have met to discuss how to try to get a prison placed in this area if the state follows through on a recommendation to build three

lems in a reasonable fashion.

Examiners.

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new facilities. Josserand also said there is an effort to work with Castro and Parmer counties in a cooperative effort to help boost the prospects.

The commissioners also were asked what Hereford is getting for the half-cent sales tax that provides funding for the Hereford Economic Development Corp.

Wayne Winget praised the HEDC, saying the organization is working hard to bring new businesses into the community. Josserand said the HEDC

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is helping the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication program open an office in the former Southwest Public Service Co. building on New York Avenue.

"It's better to get some of these little things," Josserand said. "Pampa went out and spent \$600,000 on a bus manufacturing deal that went belly up almost immediately. They're stuck with paying off a big loan. ... We're not doing that, we trying to be conservative and pick something that will benefit all of Hereford.

"We need to appreciate the people who sit on the HEDC board. They catch a lot of static because they haven't hit a home run, but they haven't spent all of your money - it's still there in the bank," Josserand said.

The commissioners will adopt the tax rate and budget at their Sept. 18 meeting.

Testimony began Wednesday and included Hereford physi-

Testimony continued Thursday and Friday with family

cian Duffy McBrayer's testimony that Payne had acted in an

appropriate fashion and had tended to Bowen's health prob-

members, geriatric physicians and the presentation of docu-

ments regarding Payne's reprimands from the Hereford Re-

gional Medical Center and Texas State Board of Medical

However, the jury found Payne not guilty of wrongful death

Besselman stated there had never been a monetary demand

by they family, nor did his client ever offer money to settle

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Violators are subject to a \$1,000 fine and up to six months in jail.

The policy will remain in effect until rescinded by the commissioners.

A request from Hereford Economy Lodging Inc. also for a five-year, 50 percent tax abatement also was rejected by the commissioners.

The tax abatement for the firm which plans to build a 33-unit Super 8 Motel on a tract of land just north of the Hereford Independent School District Administration Building had been recommended by the Tax Abatement Board.

At a public hearing on the request Aug. 28, opposition to the request was expressed by Cyndie Isaacson, owner of the Best Western Red Carpet Inn, who contended the tax break would give her competitor an unfair advantage.

Mike Miller, also opposed the abatement, saying it is unfair to existing retail estab-lishments, and Lawrence Brorman said the abatement would penalize the local school district.

Figures provided by the Deaf Smith County Appraisal District showed Hereford Economy Lodging would save \$62,503 if the county, City of Hereford and Hereford Independent School District abated taxes for five years.

In the vote to grant the abatement, Commissioners Johnny Latham and Sammy Gonzales supported the tax break, while Commissioners Troy Don Moore and Wayne Betzen opposed it. Because Simons was absent, the tie vote was in effect a rejection of the request.

Moore said the request may be reconsidered when Simons is available to cast a tiebreaking vote.

In other business, the commissioners:

· Accepted a bid of \$4,557 from Leroy Rea of the Bushland area for a 150-ton

Dake hydraulic press;
Accepted a bid from Goodin Fuels Inc. to supply fuel for the county during Fiscal 2001. Goodin, which is the current vendor, submitted a bid of 84 cents per gallon, a half-cent increase over Fiscal

· Heard a request from County Librarian Rebecca Walls about the disposal of the library's card catalogue furniture. She said two individuals have expressed interest in the items. The commissioners directed Walls to put the matter on the agenda for the next meeting; and Agreed to switch the

county's long-distance telephone service to Southwestern Bell Co. Under the proposal, the county will pay 51/2 cents per minute within the area and 7 cents outside.

Executions

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inmates, suggests both Bush and his Democratic predecessor, Ann Richards, have used the parole board "as an excuse to avoid having to make a tough, moral decision."

In Texas, the governor can only issue a one-time, 30-day reprieve or act on a recommendation of the parole board to grant a stay, commute a sentence or issue a pardon. Those limits evolved from a pardons scandal in the 1920s and are aimed at preventing a governor from granting continuous reprieves.

Since Bush became governor in 1995, the state has executed 143 people, including 32 this year. Texas has executed 231 people in the past two decades, the most in the nation.

Three more executions are scheduled before the Nov. 7 presidential election, including that of high-profile inmate Ricky Nolen McGinn on Sept.

Bush granted a 30-day reprieve for McGinn in June the only reprieve he has granted as governor — so that further DNA testing could be done. But the tests failed to clear McGinn in the rape and murder of his 12-year-old stepdaughter.

Bush never has witnessed an execution. For the most part, he limits his role to privately quizzing his attor-

neys about cases, aides say. Unlike Richards, who met with her general counsel about executions, Bush has met with the staff lawyers who studied condemned inmates' cases, said Jim Sallans, a former staff attorney who reviewed death row cases for both governors. Sallans left after Bush's first

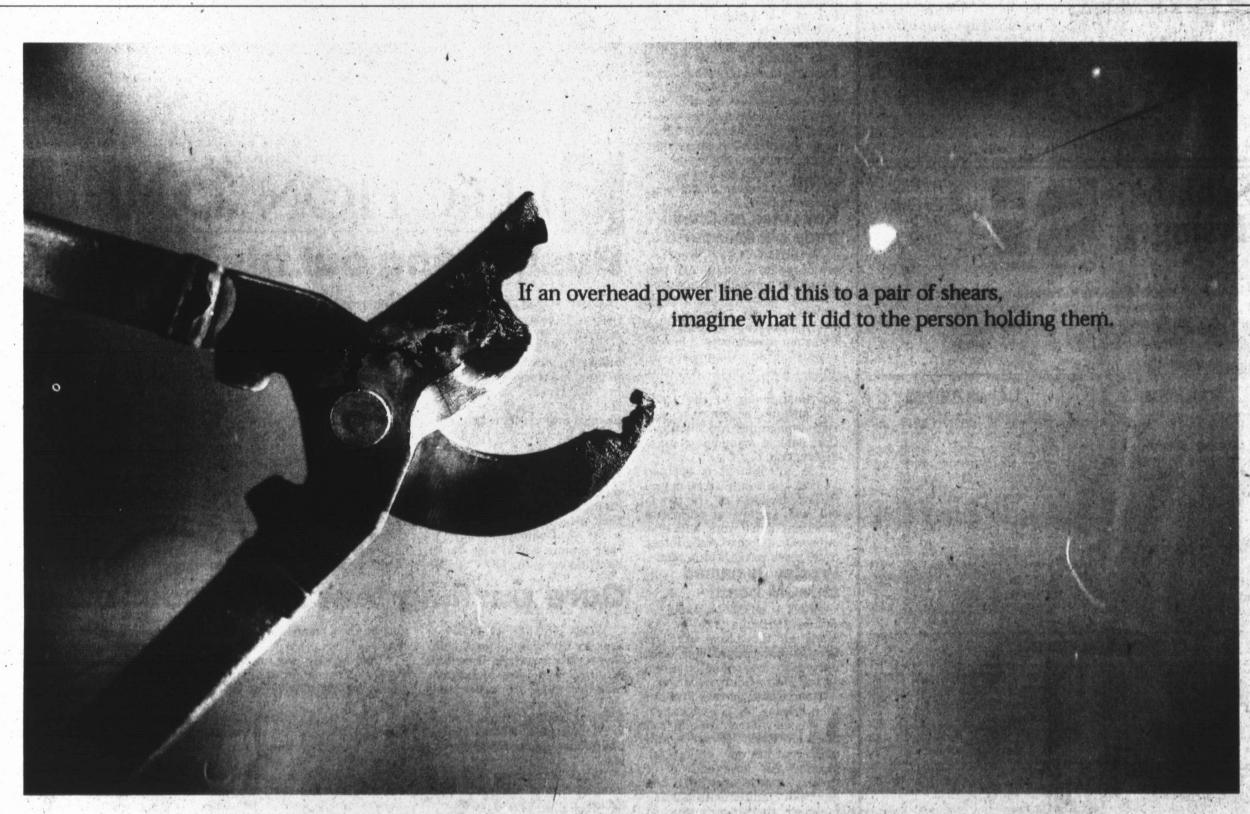
Bush would read the lawyer's memo - about three to four pages — and talk with the attorney, usually from 15 minutes to 45 minutes but perhaps up to two hours, Sallans said.

Ultimately, Sallans said, Bush would ask: "OK, Did he do it? Did he get a fair trial?"

Bush did not try to instruct the board how to vote, he

Gerald Garrett, the board chairman, said Bush takes a hands-off approach with members, telling them, "in essence, make the right decision and if there is political fallout, so be







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