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## Anti-abortion activists hail 'notification' bill

**By CHIP BROWN**  
Associated Press Writer  
AUSTIN (AP) - Anti-abortion activists who hail the approval of a "parental notification" bill by a Senate committee hope its early consideration in the legislative session would give it momentum to the full Senate.

"It gives us a huge boost," Bill Price, president of Texans United for Life, said Wednesday. "The pro-life movement in this state has not been successful in passing pro-life legislation. We've never gotten a hearing on a bill like this so early in the legislative session."

Doctors who perform abortions would be required to notify a parent or guardian of a minor seeking an

abortion, under the bill sponsored by Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano. The measure was approved 8-3 by the Senate Health and Human Services Committee.

The same bill failed to win Senate approval in 1995, but with a new Republican majority in the chamber it's expected to succeed this time.

But the measure is expected to have a tougher road in the House, where Rep. Kenny Marchant, R-Carrollton, is the sponsor.

There was emotional testimony on both sides of the abortion issue prior to the vote.

Dr. Dave Kittrell, an obstetrician from San Antonio who performs abortions, said the bill is aimed at intimidating abortion doctors.

The bill places the responsibility of notification on the doctor, who's required to reach a parent personally, by phone or by certified mail within a 48-hour period of the minor's request for an abortion.

A doctor who fails to do so and performs the abortion would be in violation of a Class A misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in jail and up to a \$4,000 fine.

The bill doesn't require doctors to get parental consent. A separate "parental consent" bill also is pending before lawmakers.

"This is an insult and an attempt to criminalize the actions of doctors who perform a legal medical procedure," Kittrell said of the notification bill. "If this bill becomes law, most physicians would stop taking care of teen-agers who want an abortion."

Latoya Boykins, 21, of Houston, said she told her mother that she was pregnant and seeking an abortion as a 16-year-old and was thrown out of the house.

"I ended up having my baby," Ms. Boykins said. "But some girls don't have a loving family to help them make a decision like this. Sometimes involving the parents is a bad thing to do."

Barbara Esquevel, who lives near Waco, testified in favor of the bill. She said she was devastated to learn that her daughter had an abortion at the age of 14 without her knowledge.

"I don't quite understand why our state would protect my child from me," Ms. Esquevel said.

Several abortion rights activists said the bill is an invasion of privacy of a young woman and would drive many teen-age girls to seek illegal abortions.

But Judith Koehler of Americans United for Life in Chicago quoted statistics that said other states that have passed parental notification laws have seen a drop in teen-age abortions.

Ms. Shapiro said, "This bill doesn't ban abortion, and the purpose is not to mandate parent-child communication, but to proclaim the right of parents to know their daughter is in distress."

## HEDC presented plans for theater

**BY SPEEDY NIEMAN**  
Editor-Publisher  
Randy Nies of Dumas and Henry Reid, local Realtor, presented another plan for building a movie theater here to the Hereford Economic Development Corporation during a meeting Wednesday afternoon.

Cliff Skiles, president of the HEDC board, said directors "had their breath taken away" by the cost of the new proposal - approximately \$846,000.

Skiles told Nies the board would study the proposal "very carefully" and look at it with an open mind. "We appreciate the time and work you have put into this project," he added.

Nies requested a \$100,000 grant from HEDC and a loan of \$150,000 over a five-year period.

Architect Larry Franks presented drawings and floor plans of the four-screen theater to the board. The facility would have more than 10,000 square feet of floor space and total seating of about 510. The site proposed was near the HISD building

on N. 25 Mile Avenue.

The possibility of building a motel and a restaurant adjacent to the theater was mentioned. Bill Stoick, representing a company which has expressed interest in building a motel here, was also at the meeting.

Stoick's company is considering a \$1.5 million project here on the motel, which would probably be franchised as a Super 8. He reported it would have 48 rooms in the first stage. He said no starting time has been resolved on the construction here. The firm is in contract to build a motel in Canyon at this time.

Mike Hatley, executive director of HEDC, also reported to the board that work was continuing on trying to land some dairy operations here. He has had inquiries from California, Wisconsin and other areas.

HEDC directors attending were Skiles, Jerry Stevens, Rosendo Gonzalez, Craig Smith and Joe Artho. Mayor Bob Josseland, City Mgr. Chester Nolen and City Atty. Terry Langehennig were also present. Several visitors were present.



Photo by Mauri Montgomery

### Going to the top

Employees of Top of Texas got to the top of matters with a crane and bucket as they began the time-consuming task of removing Christmas lights from the stately elm trees in Mother's Park on Main St. The park lighting complimented the city's first "Christmas in the Park" celebration held in December, and provided passersby many hours of enjoyment throughout the holidays.

## Local Scouts join celebration of BSA's 87th birthday week

**BY MARTIN OCHOA**  
Staff Writer

Their colors are yellow and blue. You see them in the schools, in the churches or perhaps knocking on your door. The next boy you see, you may think "He doesn't look like one," yet, he too, may already be one.

This week, between February second through the eighth, the Boy Scouts of America are observing Boy Scout Week.

Gary Billingsley, a member of Troop 30, says that the purpose of Boy Scout Week is to celebrate scouting.

"This week is to let people know what scouting is all about," Billingsley said. "We let the kids wear their uniforms to church and to school."

Jeff Milam, a cubmaster for pack 50 and assistant scoutmaster for troop 52, says that the Boy Scouts have been celebrating this week for 87 years.

"Sunday, February second, marked the beginning of the anniversary week," Milam said. "This past Sunday, Troop 52 served a Pancake Breakfast at the First United Methodist Church." The Boy Scouts wore their uniforms to church services. They also served as ushers for the church and performed a flag opening ceremony.

"It's a way to repay the church for their sponsoring the troop," Milam said.

The Boy Scouts of America were incorporated by William D. Boyce on February 8, 1910 and the tradition of turning boys into men is still carried on by Milam and Billingsley.

"My kid went in as a Cub Scout," Billingsley said. "He got his Eagle

Badge 20 years ago and I just kept at it."

The Boy Scouts allow any boy to enter the organization yet Billingsley says that from time to time he will see their numbers vary.

"I've seen them go from 15 members to 99," Billingsley said. Currently, the Boy Scouts that reside in Hereford have approximately 175 members yet there still isn't enough leaders to cover all of the troops says Milam.

"In some dens we have 16 boys to a leader," Milam said. "That's a lot of boys for one person."

What do these boys learn when they spend time with their den brothers or for that fact, the Boy Scouts?

According to "The Values of Men and Boys in America," a study

conducted by Louis Harris and Associates found that "when boys who are in Scouting were directly asked what Scouting has taught them, 89% of them said taking care of the environment, 87% of them responded that they learned to always give your best effort and 86% of them said to care for other people."

"What do I get out of it?" Milam asks. "It gives me quality time to get involved with my own sons."

Apparently there must be several parents getting involved in their sons Boy Scout activities. According to Boy Scout figures, the organization has over 92 million alumni all over the world.

Milam said that the local Boy Scout troops are so busy that they

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### Wintery mix is predicted

**By The Associated Press**  
A snow advisory has been issued through tonight for the Texas Panhandle and a winter storm watch has been issued for western sections of North Texas through Friday morning.

A wintery mix is expected over the Panhandle, South Plains and low rolling plains through tonight.

The counties in western areas of North Texas included in the winter storm watch are Archer, Baylor, Clay, Foard, Hardeman, Knox, Wichita and Wilbarger.

Forecasters say 1-3 inches of snow is possible along the Red River Valley.

Some light snow was reported in Amarillo before dawn today.

The rest of West Texas east of the

mountains should have rain through tonight. Clouds will be decreasing on Friday with rain ending in most areas by late morning.

Lows tonight will be in the 20s and 30s in West Texas, the 30s and 40s in North Texas and in the 40s in the Hill Country and the 50s and 60s elsewhere in South Texas.

Highs Friday will be in the 30s in the Panhandle and in the 40s, 50s and 60s across the rest of West Texas, the 40s and 50s in North Texas and in the 50s and 60s in South Texas.

Some patchy fog was reported in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and near Junction early today. Showers were reported across North Texas and in South Texas along the Rio Grande from Eagle Pass to near Uvalde and Crystal City.



### Celebrating Boy Scout Week

The 87th birthday of the Boy Scouts of America is being observed across the nation this week. In Hereford, some members of Pack 50 are shown preparing for their Blue and Gold Banquet to be held March 1. Dave Bailey, senior executive of the Longhorn District, announced at the Hereford Lions Club meeting Wednesday that the Longhorn district was named the No. 1 district in the Southern Region of the U.S. He presented a pin to Gary Billingsley, a local Scout leader.

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## Local Roundup

### Wintery conditions remain

Hereford reached a high temperature of 42 degrees and an overnight low of 32 degrees with .12 of an inch of precipitation. For tonight, a snow advisory is in effect. Snow accumulations of one to two inches is possible towards sunrise. The winds will be from the east to northeast at 10 to 15 mph. Friday will be mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of morning snow. The high will be in the mid 30s. The five-day forecast calls for mostly cloudy and cool with highs in the mid 40s to lower 50s.

### Miss Texas 1996 to appear

Miss Texas 1996 Michelle Martinez will make an appearance at Hereford Junior High School from 2:05 p.m. to 2:35 p.m. Tuesday in the varsity gym. As Miss Texas, Martinez travels to schools to promote her platform of family values. Parents are encouraged to attend.

## Obituaries

### O.T. VARDELL Feb. 5, 1997

O.T. "Slim" Vardell, 82, of Dimmitt, formerly of Hereford, died Wednesday.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Van Earl Hughes, retired minister, and the Rev. Johnny Griffith, pastor of Avenue Baptist Church in Hereford, officiating. Arrangements are by Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mr. Vardell was born in Greenwood Wise County. He lived in Hereford before moving to Dimmitt in 1949. He attended Haylake schools and West Texas State University. He had also taken special courses at Texas A&M University and the University of Texas.

He married Kathryn Easter in 1951 at Portales, N.M.

He was in the retail fuel business for 40 years. He was an army veteran of World War I and a member of First Baptist Church and the Texas Butane Dealers Association. He had been a member of the Masonic Lodge and Scottish Rite for 50 years.

He was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Ann Sessions of Hereford and Nancy Bullock of Thornton, Colo.; a brother, Willard Vardell of Silverton; two sisters, Maggie Sweek and Annie Williams, both of Silverton; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Kings Manor or First Baptist Church in Dimmitt.

# Fund for Holocaust victims being created by several Swiss banks

GENEVA (AP) - Hoping to quell growing international criticism over alleged collusion with the Nazis in World War II, Switzerland's "Big Three" banking giants announced Wednesday they will create a \$71 million fund for Holocaust victims and their families.

Eighteen months of controversy has threatened to tarnish the image of Swiss banks and has put them at risk of international boycotts.

Credit Suisse, Swiss Bank Corporation and the Union Bank of Switzerland said the fund was meant as a humanitarian gesture. They encouraged the government, central bank and others to contribute additional money and help decide how the fund will operate.

"It's a breakthrough, an acknowledgment of the wrongdoing," said U.S. Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., who has spearheaded criticism of Switzerland.

D'Amato described the move as "an important first step in dealing with this tragic, disgraceful period."

The fund will be opened later this month at the Swiss National Bank, said Union Bank of Switzerland spokeswoman Gertrud Erismann.

In a statement, the Swiss government welcomed the banks' move and promised to be "actively engaged" in further developments.

Government officials will talk with the banks and other interested parties during the next few days to determine who is eligible for the money and

how to locate them, said government spokesman Achille Casanova. He said concrete decisions are expected within a few weeks.

The government will not decide whether to contribute to the fund until summer, when it expects preliminary results of an independent inquiry into Switzerland's wartime record.

The banks' action was greeted favorably by Jewish groups around the world, which have claimed that as much as \$7 billion remains in World War II-era bank accounts from Jewish depositors.

"I regard the move by the big banks as a good omen for coming to grips with the question of guilt and the question of debts," said Sigi Feigel, honorary president of the

Hebrew Congregation of Zurich. "The move indicates a right direction toward a humanitarian solution to this whole issue," said Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Effi Ben-Matityahu.

In New York, World Jewish Congress executive director Elan Steinberg said he was confident "appropriate steps will follow so that full moral and material restitution will be made."

Steinberg added that the \$71 million fund did not reflect what eventually may be found in dormant accounts of Jewish victims of Nazi crimes.

The three banks noted that the fund does not include the \$27 million in unclaimed assets that Swiss banks say they have identified in dormant World War II-era accounts. Preliminary bank investigations determined that only a small portion of those assets belonged to Jews who died in the Holocaust.

The World Jewish Congress and D'Amato led the attacks accusing Switzerland of using its famous bank secrecy laws to prevent the heirs of Holocaust victims from tracking their inheritances.

D'Amato on Sunday released World War II-era documents that he said show the Swiss handled about \$1 billion in Nazi gold even though they knew the riches had been looted in Belgium. He said Sweden didn't take the gold, but the Swiss did.

Switzerland, a neutral country surrounded by German forces and their allies during the war, provided a haven for 27,000 Jewish refugees and bank safety for their assets.

But the country also turned away 30,000 other Jewish refugees and requested that the Nazis stamp the letter 'J' into Jewish passports to make them easier to single out at borders.

Switzerland previously had paid some compensation for unclaimed assets, but the issue was revived with the 50th anniversary of the war's end.

Jewish groups called last year for Switzerland to set up a multimillion-dollar compensation fund as a "gesture of good will."

The Swiss government initially dismissed the demands, saying it would amount to an admission of guilt before independent investigations were able to establish the true facts.

Former President Jean-Pascal Delamuraz characterized the demand as "blackmail," unleashing an outcry from the World Jewish Congress and the Jerusalem-based Jewish Agency, which threatened to boycott Swiss banks.

Other public relations blunders have aggravated matters and in an attempt to stem the growing crisis, the Swiss government agreed in principle to establish a humanitarian fund last month.

So far, nothing definite has come of it.



**Spelling champs**  
West Central Intermediate School announced the champions of its Spelling Bee. Pictured, from left, are Chris Gamez, fifth-grade; Marisa Soliz, fourth-grade; Kylee Veazey, fourth-grade; Delilah Garcia, sixth-grade; Wendy Haun, fifth-grade; and C.J. Berryman, sixth-grade.

### SCOUTS

have to wait until February to do anything else in honor of the week. "We're having our Blue and Gold Banquet in March," Milam said. "We're supposed to have it in February but we were already busy with a packed calendar."

Looking over a list of occupations of former Boy Scouts, it is easy to see that this busyness has no apparent bad side to it.

According to the "Roundup," a bi-monthly Boy Scout newsletter,

"Approximately 50% of the 104th Congress have participated in Scouting as a youth or adult." The newsletter goes on to state that "Of 214 astronauts in the U.S., 130 were Scouts and 33 are Eagle Scouts."

That isn't bad company for a boy to associate himself with.

"I was never in the Cub Scouts as a boy myself until my boys joined in," Milam says. "My wife says I'm reliving my childhood. I guess I am."

## News Digest

### STATE

AUSTIN - Attorney General Dan Morales has elaborated on an opinion he rendered last August on a ban against Texas colleges and universities using race in decisions concerning admissions, financial aid or scholarships. He said in a legal opinion Wednesday that only race-neutral policies can be used.

KERRVILLE - Darlie Routier's fate may have been sealed the day her capital murder trial was moved to Kerr County. Mrs. Routier arrived at a state prison reception center in Gatesville for processing Wednesday afternoon.

AUSTIN - Anti-abortion activists who hail the approval of a "parental notification" bill by a Senate committee hope its early consideration in the legislative session would give it momentum to the full Senate. Doctors who perform abortions would be required to notify a parent or guardian of a minor seeking an abortion under the bill sponsored by Sen. Florence Shapiro.

AUSTIN - The governor's plan to replace rising school property taxes with a new business tax and a higher sales tax will cost Texans more in federal income taxes, according to a public interest group.

DALLAS - An \$18 million judgment against former Methodist minister Walker Railey to his wife who was left comatose from an attack has been dissolved in bankruptcy proceedings.

HOUSTON - A paralegal described as the ringleader of a group of people involved in a car-accident scheme that bilked millions of dollars from insurance companies has been sentenced to 99 years in prison. A Houston jury also returned long sentences for an attorney and two physicians on Wednesday.

### NATION/WORLD

WASHINGTON - President Clinton, opening a new act in the long-running budget drama, is presenting Congress with a \$1.69 trillion spending plan that fulfills his campaign tax-cut promises, boosts spending on education and still achieves balance in 2002.

SANTA MONICA, Calif. - The O.J. Simpson civil trial shifts today to the punitive damages phase, when the jury decides whether to heap more money on top of the \$8.5 million it already awarded.

WASHINGTON - Prosecutor Kenneth Starr's staff has compiled a memo of several hundred pages summarizing the evidence involving President Clinton and his wife in the three-year Whitewater investigation, lawyers familiar with the probe say.

QUITO, Ecuador - After six months of the extroverted, jocular president they nicknamed "El Loco," or "the crazy one," Ecuadorans are ready to call his bluff - with an impeachment. President Abdala Bucaram is being accused of "mental and emotional incapacity" and "incompetence" by opposition parties and workers who say he has become a national embarrassment.

BEVERLY HILLS, Fla. - Charles Hall, his body wasting away from AIDS, won a landmark legal battle for the right to commit suicide with a doctor's help but says he's in no rush. "I'm far from ready to die. I just want to know my rights are my rights and nobody can decide for me," Hall said.

## Clinton's '98 budget released

WASHINGTON (AP) - The yearly dance between the White House and the Congress over spending priorities officially kicks off today, with release of President Clinton's fiscal 1998 budget.

The tiny numbers and dollar signs densely dotting thousands of pages of budget text lay out the administration's priorities for federal programs in Texas and the 49 other states.

The nation's second most populous state has a huge amount riding on the outcome of the federal budget discussions.

The most recent Consolidated Federal Funds Report, reflecting 1995 spending, showed Texas received nearly \$84 billion in total direct payments from Washington. That

## New plan to cost Texans more in federal income taxes, interest group says

By JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr., Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) - The governor's plan to replace rising school property taxes with a new business tax and a higher sales tax will cost Texans more in federal income taxes, according to a public interest group.

Bush has proposed a new, 1 1/4-percent tax on business revenues over \$500,000. That would replace current business taxes and would allow business owners to deduct the cost of goods and capital investments.

The governor also wants to raise the 6 1/4-cent sales tax by a half-cent. The additional state revenue would go to fund public schools and are part of Bush's plan to lower local school property taxes by about \$2.8 billion. That includes a \$1 billion to be paid from the state's current cash surplus.

The Center for Public Policy Priorities on Wednesday estimated that Texans will save \$1.4 billion in property taxes but will pay an additional \$112.4 million in federal income taxes in 1999, the first full year of the tax changes.

That's because property taxes can be deducted from federal income taxes but sales taxes can't be deducted.

Dick Lavine, an analyst for the center, said the new business tax and the increased sales tax together will eat up the savings from property tax cuts.

"I strongly disagree," Bush said. "It's a huge assumption for these people who want a personal income tax, who are fighting this proposal on behalf of an income tax, to make these grand assumptions that our consumers will pay X-Y-Z because we have a business activity tax."

Bush said not all of the business taxes will be passed on to consumers because of competition.

spans everything from federal employees' salaries to food stamp payments, crop assistance, Social Security payments and defense contracts.

Of course, before any of next year's money is doled out, Congress will have to weigh in and provide its own - often differing - vision of how to spend \$1.7 trillion in federal tax dollars nationally.

Last year's government shutdowns still fresh in their minds, GOP lawmakers have gone out of their way to say this budget, unlike most of its predecessors, isn't automatically dead on arrival.

One area of skirmish ahead is the new welfare law and its impact on elderly and disabled legal immi-

grants. Clinton's budget proposes restoring billions of dollars to help legal immigrants cut off from food stamps and Supplemental Security Income payments under the Republican-crafted welfare bill he signed last year.

Congressional Republican leaders thus far haven't given any sign they're willing to revisit that issue in great depth, despite a call by some Republican and Democrat governors to do so.

Welfare aside, in another budget arena Congress likely to take Clinton's request and add more money. During Clinton's term, Congress has boosted his defense spending requests. This year, the president is proposing a \$247.5 billion defense budget.

The Pentagon's continued focus on air power and procurement of a new generation of fighter jets bodes well for the North Texas defense establishment.

The budget includes billions of dollars for procurement of the V-22 tilt-rotor, combat helicopters, high-tech missile systems and continued development of the F-22 advanced tactical fighter.

## Emergency Services

Activities reported by law enforcement agencies:

### POLICE DEPARTMENT THURSDAY

- 33-year-old male was arrested for Violation of Probation.
- Prowler was reported in the 800 block of Blevens Street.
- Cruelty to Animals was reported in the 300 block of Norton Street.
- Assault was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F.
- Harassing phone calls were reported in the 100 block of Avenue K.

-- Disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F.

-- Domestic Disturbance was reported in the 100 block of North Texas.

-- 15 citations were issued.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

-- No calls.

### SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

-- No arrests.  
-- No reports.

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Well, another year of exciting action has come and gone for both our girls and boys - congratulations to both for making the playoffs. Your hard work and dedication to long hours has really paid great dividends - and we, the fans, reap the benefits. Thank you!

Here is a question for you: How many of you have attended a junior varsity game lately? Their level of play is as equally exciting and both

boys and girls have great records. Afterall, where do our varsity players come from?

This Friday is our last game of the season, right here at home against Dumas. This is an invitation to all you fans who want to see what's ahead for both our boys and girls programs. Come and cheer on our JV teams - I promise you it will be exciting for both you and the players.

As always, Go Herd!  
Michael Power



By The Associated Press  
One 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 \$35 million. The winning ticket was sold in Stamford, Texas.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 18-19-21-29-48-50.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

2-7-2

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# Lifestyles

## Hereford students at WTAMU are named on top honors lists

West Texas A&M University has announced the names of students listed on the Dean's and President's Lists.

Students earning President's List recognition achieved a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.84 (of a possible 4.0) or better with a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Students on the Dean's List achieved GPAs of at least 3.25 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

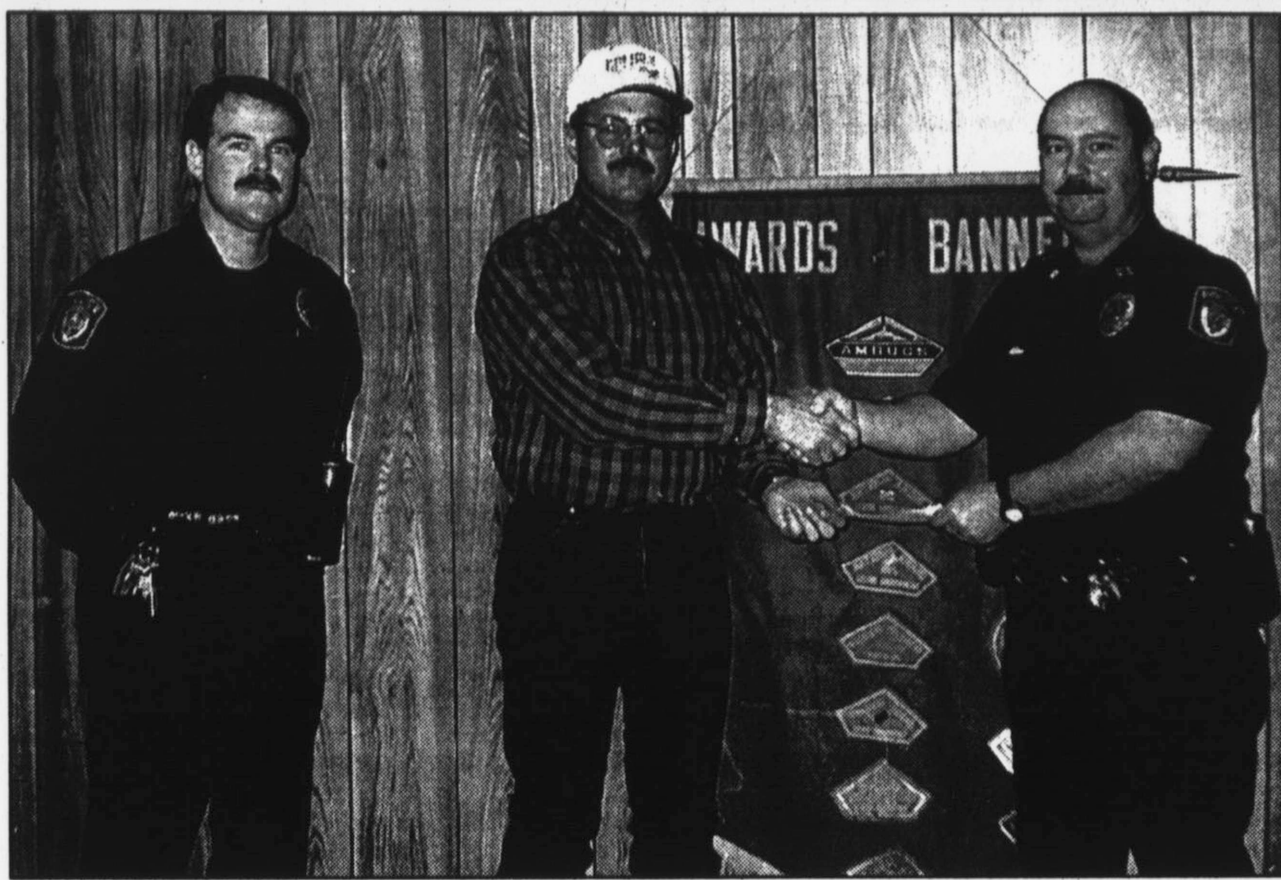
Hereford students on the President's List were Cindy L. Bailey, junior majoring in mathematics; Erin C. Bullard, senior, nursing; Rita A. Collins, sophomore, nursing; Sheila L. Dawes, senior, agriculture-general; Barbara J. Kerr, sophomore, generic special ed; Olga E. Leal, junior, reading; Amy Liscano, junior, generic special ed; and Jill McCracken, post bachelor non-grad, nursing.

Included on the Dean's List were Lyndsi N. Ames, freshman, pre-medicine; April J. Andrews, junior, kinesiology-PE; Michelle M. Beltran, senior, speech; Misty D. Bornemeier, junior, generic special ed; Timothy J. Burkhalter, senior, biology-wildlife science; Rene Cano, senior, kinesiology-PE; Lori B. Crofford, sophomore, mass communications.

Others on the Dean's List were Raul R. Dominguez, senior, criminal justice; Kendall L. Drew, junior, criminal justice; Eric F. Gilley, senior, music; Travis D. Gilliam, senior, applied A&S; Beth A. Haile, sophomore, English; Randall T. Hathaway, senior, biology-wildlife science; Robin D. Johnson, senior, general studies; Julia S. Klimentko, sophomore, general business.

The Dean's List also included Kimberly R. LaCanne, post bachelor non-grad, general studies; Sherry L. McKibben, senior, sociology; Michelle L. Meyer, senior, generic special ed; Gloria I. Rivera, senior, Spanish; Kami D. Rogers, freshman, biology Option I; Sean C. Smith, post bachelor non-grad, agri-business and economics.

The Dean's List concluded with Delmer R. Thompson, junior, history; Jennifer T. Tice, freshman, undeclared/no major; Tatyana V. Vakhrameva, junior, general business; Paul E. Valdez, senior, computer info system; Daphne D. Walker, senior, nursing and Benjamin H. Weatherly, senior, animal science.



### AMBUCS donation

The American Business Club of Hereford heard a program recently on Crimestoppers presented by Hereford Police officer and Crimestoppers director Robin Ruland, left. Following the program, the AMBUCS, represented by Captain Pat Michael, right, made a \$100 donation to Crimestoppers president Garry Yosten, center.

## Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I enjoyed reading your column about Denmark and how the country saved its Jewish population. However, little mention is made of what happened in Finland.

With only 2,000 Jews, the Finns did not allow a single one to be harmed while the Germans were in the country. Unfortunately, through a bureaucratic error, eight Austrian Jewish refugees were sent from Finland to Poland, where they perished. In expiation for having allowed such a tragedy, some Finns formed a kibbutz in Israel with the name "Yad Hashmona," which means "In memory of the eight."

Over 300 Jews fought in the Finnish army in its struggle against the Soviet Union and against the Germans at the end of the war. Many of Finland's war heroes, officers and enlisted men were Jews. Finland can rightfully be proud. -- Portland, Ore.

Dear Portland: Several readers wrote to tell me how Finland saved its Jewish population. Read on:

From Staten Island, N.Y.: Although Finland was officially neutral, it allowed the Germans into the country in order to help fight off the Soviets. In 1942, the Finnish prime minister let the Germans know that Finnish Jews were citizens with the same rights as any other Finn. Of course, Finland did not have the same pressures as a Nazi-occupied country like Denmark. Nevertheless, it was the only European country to save ALL its Jews.

Finland also had its own Schindler-type character. In 1938, Algot Niska, known as an adventurer and liquor smuggler, was credited with rescuing 150 Jews by making trips into German-occupied territory and supplying Jews with forged Swedish or Finnish passports and getting them out of danger. I don't know if Niska did this for the money or out of kindness, but had he been caught in Nazi Germany, he most certainly would have been killed.

Oslo, Norway: Denmark deserves to be commended for helping its Jewish population during World War II. However, the only Scandinavian country that actually fought the Germans for the duration of the war was Norway. Denmark allowed the Germans to enter the country without a fight. Sweden was officially neutral. Finland was busy with the Soviets. In Norway, the Germans had to fight inch by inch and lost thousands of troops. On top of that, over 100 escape routes were set up to help Jews flee into Sweden. I'm not looking for any medals. I just want to set the record straight. -- A Longtime Reader

Dear L.T.R.: Thank you and all the others who wrote. You've given us a splendid history lesson. "The record" is a lot straighter -- and I am grateful.

Dear Ann Landers: I am writing about the child with the port-wine

birthmark. True, the laser treatment will do the job, but it's expensive and time-consuming. I'd like to recommend Covermark by Lydia O'Leary. It's a makeup developed many years ago by a woman who also had a port-wine mark, and it is available in drugstores and department stores. It covers the birthmark completely. All dermatologists must be aware of similar products and could enlighten the parents. No child should have to endure being stigmatized when such simple help is at hand.

Incidentally, after an accident, I had severe, ugly bruises on my face and chest that I covered completely with makeup. Please tell your readers about this product. -- H.S., Lauderdale, Fla.

Dear H.S.: I rarely endorse products in my column, but this one can be a godsend. I mentioned it several years ago and received many letters thanking me.

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## Heloise Containers deter bugs

Dear Heloise: As an apartment dweller I keep everything the bugs might also like to eat in glass jars or resealable plastic freezer bags. I cut the label off the package and enclose it in the jar before storing in the pantry. I also cut off any special preparation instructions and enclose that panel as well. This quick hint helps me keep track of what I have while keeping the bugs out! -- Laura Cox, Garland, Texas

You'll also save money by not having to throw out contaminated food. I'm so glad you wrote. -- Heloise

HELP YOURSELF FEEL BETTER

Dear Heloise: This hint is for anyone scheduled for surgery. Before going to the hospital, buy one or two really comfortable outfits that don't look like sleepwear. While you're recuperating at home, you'll look and feel better in an attractive outfit than if you lounged around in your nightclothes all day. -- Rose Lyons, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

My mother always said, "A bubble bath, a splash of perfume and a dash of lipstick will make you feel better!" I agree. -- Heloise

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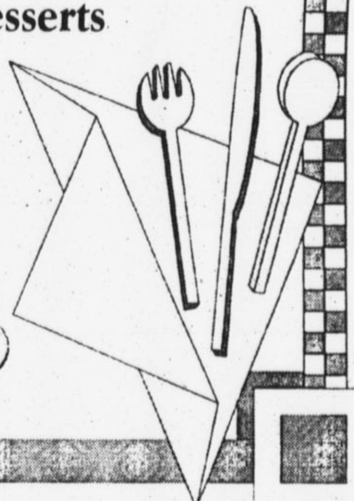
Dear Heloise: If you tend to lose pretty pins because they do not close properly, use a pierced-earring back on the pin before closing on your clothes. I've saved many of my turtle pin collection this way. -- Mollie Feinberg, Sunrise, Fla.

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ANSWER: You display admirable stoicism.

You apparently have turned the corner of recovery from a two-year ordeal.

For others, briefly, necrotizing vasculitis is inflammation of blood vessels, with death of the tissue and organs formerly supplied by them. Your right arm is typical of the

damage left behind by the ordinary necrotizing process.

"PAN" is an acronym for polyarteritis nodosa, a form of necrotizing vasculitis. The process can extend to kidney vessels, or to the digestive tract, where it causes severe abdominal pain and even functional death of whole sections.

Are you wondering about the "nodosa" reference? It means the inflamed vessels have nodular swellings, which a doctor sometimes can actually feel under the skin.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Would you please tell me if nephritis syndrome patients need special diets? I have this condition and can find no information. -- E.W.

ANSWER: Nephritis syndrome refers to a kidney condition. The kidney is inflamed.

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Diet is part of treatment in some cases. Often a low-salt, low-fat diet, with slightly higher than normal protein intake, is recommended.

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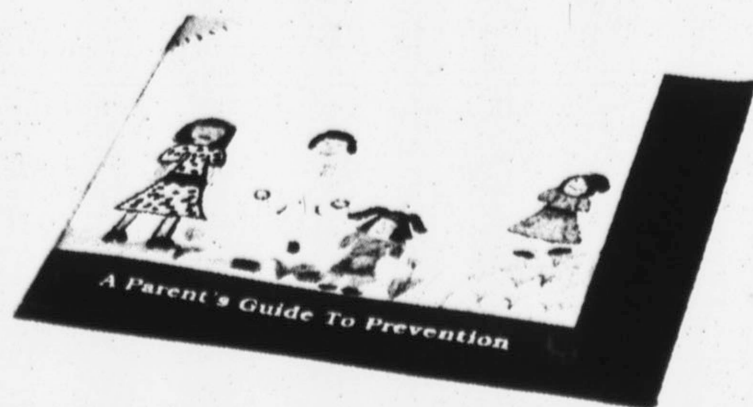


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# Sports

## Hereford duo signs with OU, Lubbock Christian



## Cornelius could move into Sooners' starting rotation as a true freshman

**By TOMMY WELLS**  
Managing Editor

The weather outside on Wednesday may have been gloomy, but inside the Hereford ISD Board Room the atmosphere was bright as a July day.

Especially for Danielle Cornelius. Perhaps the best high school senior in the state, Cornelius realized a dream when she became the second Hereford High School standout in as many days to sign a collegiate letter-of-intent. Flanked by her parents, Donnie and Darlene Cornelius, and Hereford coaches Brenda Reeh and Scott Sandel, the All-America pick this past fall, Cornelius inked a scholarship pact with the University of Oklahoma - an agreement that will send the three-time all-state selection into the new Big 12 conference.

that her older sister (Shantel) and Reeh had helped guide her to this point.

Reeh indicated that Cornelius, who had verbally committed to Oklahoma months ago, could possibly move into the starting lineup as soon as next season if things fall right. The Sooners, who finished the 1996 season with a 17-15 record, return just five starters from their inaugural Big 12 campaign.

"From what I understand they have a real need in the middle," said the Lady Whitefaces' veteran coach. "I know they were really impressed with her hitting and blocking."

Cornelius enjoyed a star-studded career at Hereford. After making the varsity squad as a freshman, she quickly blossomed into a star. This

past season, Cornelius helped lead Hereford to a 34-1 record and the Class 4A state crown by recording 409 kills, 130 blocks and 99 digs. She was named the MVP at the state tournament.

For her career, Cornelius finished as the Lady Whitefaces' all-time leader in kills, with 1,279, and blocks, with 415.

"She was probably the most dominating player in the state," said Reeh. "She was certainly the most dominating player I've ever coached. There aren't many kids who can make as big an impact on a varsity team like she did," she added. "I think we scored a lot of points on people before we ever started because she had the ability to make other teams change their offenses."

### Heading for Soonerland

Hereford's All-America senior spiker Danielle Cornelius signed a collegiate letter-of-intent on Wednesday afternoon to play volleyball next season for the University of Oklahoma. Cornelius, a three-time all-state pick and the career leader in several Lady Whiteface categories, is expected to push for a starting position next fall as a freshman. Pictured with at the signing were her parents, Donnie and Darlene Cornelius and Lady Whitefaces' coaches Scott Sandel and Brenda Reeh.

*"She was certainly the most dominating player I've ever coached. There aren't many kids who can make as big an impact on a varsity team like she did."*

**Hereford head coach**  
Brenda Reeh

With the signing, Cornelius joined Hereford teammate Kari Barrett in the collegiate ranks. Barrett, an all-state setter, had agreed to a deal with Lubbock Christian University on Tuesday afternoon.

By signing Cornelius, the Sooners landed one of the top prep prospects in the United States. The Lady Whiteface spiker had been recruited by as many as 60 colleges, including national volleyball powers from Notre Dame and Texas A&M.

"We're very happy for Danielle," said Reeh, who guided Hereford to the 1996-97 state crown. "There's a very small percentage of athletes who get a chance to play collegiately. I've got all the confidence in the world that she can do it," she added.

"I guess its kind of exciting to know that I'm going to OU," said the 18-year-old standout, acknowledging

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### Lubbock Christian bound

Hereford's all-state senior setter Kari Barrett signed a collegiate letter-of-intent on Tuesday to play volleyball next season at Lubbock Christian University. Pictured with Barrett (center) are her parents Richard and Brenda Barrett, her sister Blair and Lady Whitefaces' head coach Brenda Reeh (back).

## Barrett excited about playing at LCU

**By TOMMY WELLS**  
Managing Editor

Sheryl Swoopes came out of Brownfield High School and almost immediately turned Lubbock into her very own playground.

Kari Barrett hopes to do the same next year - only instead of gunning for an NCAA basketball championship, the Hereford High School senior is hoping to lead Lubbock Christian to the "Promised Land" in volleyball.

Barrett, a two-year member of the HHS varsity, inked a collegiate letter-of-intent Tuesday to play for the Chaparrals next season. The 17-year-old daughter of Richard and Brenda Barrett is expected to battle for a starting job at setter for the Chaparrals next fall.

"I thought about it for a long time," said Barrett, who only the night before helped carry the Hereford girls basketball team into the playoffs for the first time in the school's history. "Then I decided I could try it. There were some other schools offering

(scholarships), but I like Lubbock on," said Barrett, a first-team all-state Christian better.

"I'm glad I'll get a chance to go (See BARRETT, Page 5)

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# Logjam atop 2-4A has Whitefaces wondering who playoff foe may be

By **TOMMY WELLS**  
Managing Editor

Now that the Hereford Whitefaces have clinched the second playoff berth in three years, head coach Randy Dean can begin preparing his team for its postseason opponent.

Well, sort of. The Whitefaces, who locked up the third-place seed in the District 1-4A race Tuesday night with a thrilling 42-40 win over Canyon, may be able to rest in the fact that they're in the playoffs, but they're not at all sure who they'll be meeting in the bi-district round.

"We're not for sure yet," said Dean, who has taken the Whitefaces to the playoffs in two of his four years at the helm. "The other district is still pretty much up in the air. There's a three-way tie for first right now, and Levelland is in second. So really it could be any of those four teams," he added.

How up in the air is the District 2-4A race? Very. Plainview, Lubbock Estacado and Snyder are currently tied for the loop lead, with Levelland just one game back.

The answer for Hereford may come Friday night. In all likelihood, however, it won't.

Huh? Hold on. Should Plainview defeat Wolfforth Frenship Friday night, and Lubbock Estacado and Snyder beat back challenges from Lamesa and Levelland, respectively, then the whole 2-4A race winds up right where it started - in a tie. All three teams, with wins in their finales, would finish at 7-3 in loop play and force a district playoff. But, if Lamesa (20-9 on the year) and Levelland triumph, then Snyder, Estacado and Levelland would go to the playoff format to decide the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds.

All the ifs, ands and buts don't mean a hill of beans to Dean.

"It doesn't matter to us," said Dean of which team the Whitefaces would rather face in the opening round of

## Thompson leads Tech to upset of No. 8 Longhorns

By **MARK BABINECK**  
Associated Press Writer  
LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Alicia Thompson could pinpoint the moment when she realized it was her night.

"After my first shot," she said. Thompson's career-high 47 points Wednesday, the most since Sheryl Swoopes' playing days and the third-best scoring game in school history, propelled No. 14 Texas Tech to a 96-73 victory over No. 8 Texas.

Thompson fueled Texas Tech (14-5, 6-3 Big 12) throughout. She scored 20 of the Lady Raiders' first 28 points, and her 26 at halftime matched the team total for the Lady Longhorns (15-4, 7-2), who trailed 37-26 at the break.

"Obviously it's the best game we've played all year long," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "We came out and didn't want to be denied on our home court."

Thompson and the Lady Raiders continued the onslaught against their old Southwest Conference archrivals in the second half. Thompson scored nine straight midway through the half as Tech maintained a double-digit lead.

Tech stretched its lead to 27 late in the game and threatened to become the first Texas opponent in 18 years to score 100 points.

"They definitely got on a roll and we couldn't get it stopped," Texas coach Jody Conradt said, referring to center Angela Jackson's early foul trouble that limited her to 20 minutes.

the playoffs. "We're familiar with each of them."

Hereford, which closes out its 1996-97 regular season Friday night at home against Dumas, met both Plainview and Estacado in regular season games, and faced both Snyder and Levelland in the Caprock Tournament.

Regardless of who they face in the playoffs, the Whitefaces should go into the postseason with some momentum. Dean said the win over

Canyon was great for Hereford's confidence.

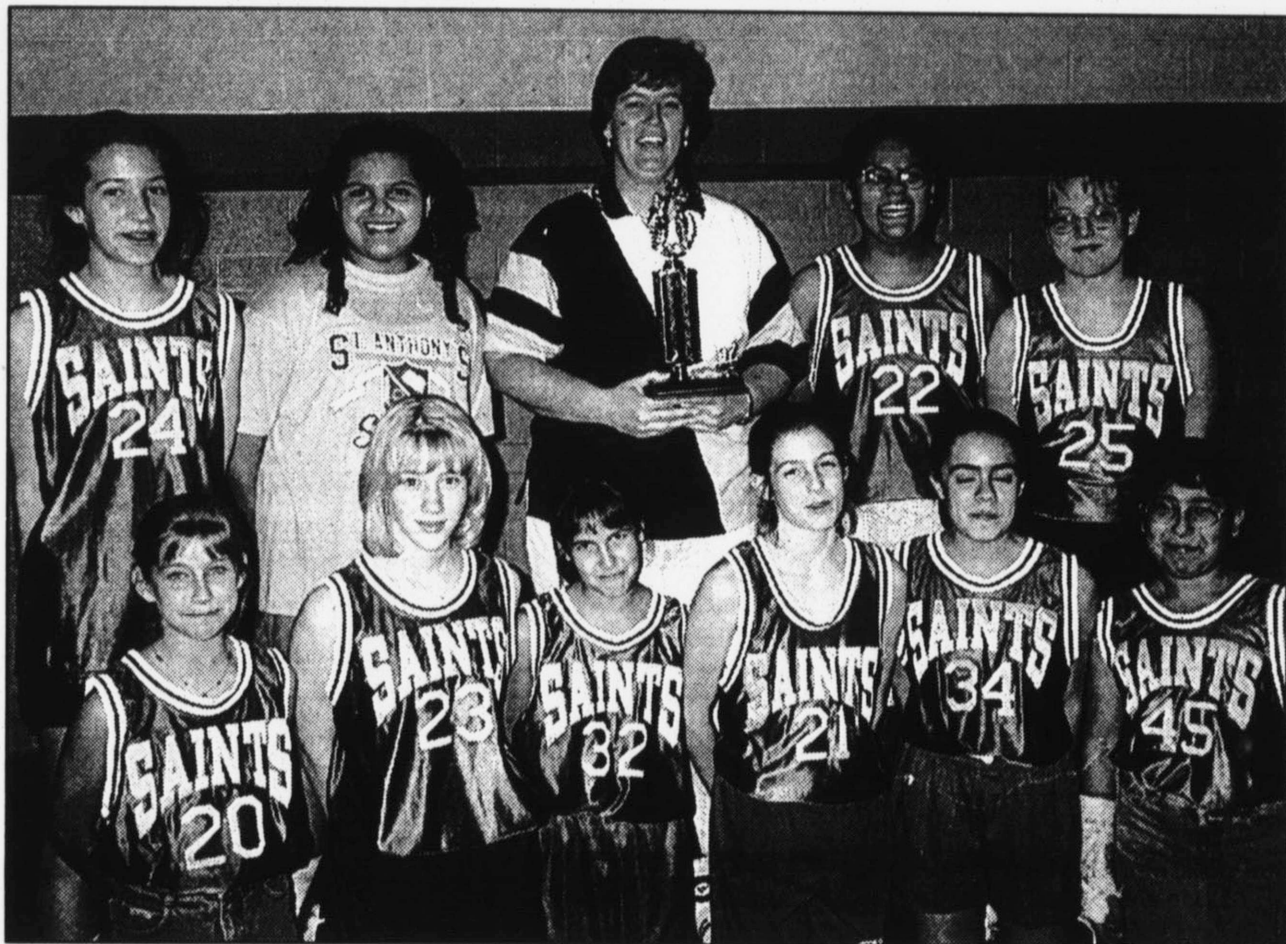
"It was a good win for us," he said. "We didn't want it to come down to the last game. We looked at it like, 'If we're truly a playoff team, then that was the kind of competition we'll see.'" So we wanted to go out and wrap up the win."

And they did. Now if Plainview, Lubbock Estacado, Snyder and Levelland will do the same, the fun will really begin.



## Sixth grade tourney champions

The St. Anthony Saints won the Nazarene Christian Academy tournament, after previously winning the St. Anthony basketball tournament. Members of the team, left to right, front row: Anthony Mariscal, Chad Bartels, Jeremah Alejandre, Jose Reece, Michael Claudio; standing: Tyson Yosten, Marcus Smith, Coach Amy Noyes, Wade McNutt and Tim Schlabs.



## Sixth grade girls champions

The St. Anthony Lady Saints won the recent Nazarene Christian Academy basketball tournament. Members of the team, left to right, front row: Tiffany Koenig, Jenna Urbanczyk, Wendy Briones, Sarah Griffin, Brandi Goyne, Patricia DeLaCerde; back row: Elizabeth Tarr, Desiree Aguirre, Coach Amy Noyes, Amanda Soto and Melissa Warren.

# Shaq-less LA takes the air out of Bulls

By **The Associated Press**  
The Chicago Bulls had won eight straight, including five in a row on a West Coast road trip. The Los Angeles Lakers were playing without Shaquille O'Neal and coming off an embarrassing 22-point loss to the Clippers.

So guess what happened when the Lakers played the Bulls at the Forum on Wednesday night?

Wrong. Elden Campbell, moving from forward to center to replace the injured O'Neal, scored a career-high 34 points and grabbed 14 rebounds as the Lakers beat the Bulls 106-90.

The 16-point margin matched Chicago's worst defeat of the season. "I thought it was Shaq out there, Shaq without the dunks," Lakers guard Nick Van Exel said of Campbell's performance.

Van Exel also had a great game with 24 points, 13 assists and eight rebounds. Michael Jordan led the Bulls with 27 points, but scored only 14 after the first quarter and had only four in the final period.

Despite the loss, Chicago takes a league-best 42-6 record into the All-Star break. The Bulls were 43-5 at the same point last season, when they went on to win an NBA-record 72 games.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Miami 118, Boston 117; Toronto 89, Cleveland 84; Philadelphia 113, San Antonio 97; Utah 99, Seattle 95; Phoenix 99, Atlanta 81; and Denver 106, Washington 104.

Voshon Lenard scored a career-high 28 points and Tim Hardaway added 23 points and a season-high 15 assists as Miami won its fifth straight. Alonzo Mourning had 21 points and 11 rebounds, while reserve Isaac Austin added 17 points for the Heat.

Rick Fox scored 33 points for Boston, which has lost six of seven home games. Raptors 89, Cavaliers 84

At Toronto, Walt Williams scored 26 points and Clifford Rozier added 19, including six points in the final minutes, as the Raptors beat Cleveland. 76ers 113, Spurs 97

At Philadelphia, Allen Iverson scored 25 points as the hot-shooting 76ers defeated San Antonio. Jerry Stackhouse added 22 points, Don MacLean 21 and Rex Walters 17 for the 76ers.

program.

"I'm very happy for her," said Reeh, who this past weekend was named the 1996-97 volleyball Coach of the Year by the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame. "He (Lubbock Christian head coach Steve McRoberts) is very excited to get Karie. He's expressed the idea to me of running a 5-1 around her next year is she, as a freshman, can do well."

The 5-1 set, which featured one setter serving five hitters, wouldn't be new to Barrett. Hereford ran a 5-1 scheme this past fall.

"We're very proud of her," said her mother after the signing ceremony, which was held in the Hereford ISD Board Room. "We're happy she's getting this opportunity."

"We're also thankful for Coach Reeh. All this was made possible because she was behind her and helping her. I think we're fortunate to have someone of her caliber here," she added.

## Barrett

selection this year after dishing out 824 assists and recording 207 digs. "I think when the high school season ended it (volleyball) wasn't completely out of my system."

Lubbock Christian was able to sign Barrett before the national signing day because of their NAIA affiliation. The Chaparrals finished this past year with a 22-11 record, and finished third in the Sooner Athletic Conference.

In Barrett, Lubbock Christian is getting one of the state's better setters. During her tenure on the varsity, the Lady Whitefaces won better than 50 games and advanced to the state tournament twice. Hereford finished this past season as the Class 4A state champion, beating Magnolia. They were the 1995-96 state runner-ups.

Hereford head coach Brenda Reeh was pleased with the announcement, saying Barrett had been a key ingredient in the Lady Whitefaces'

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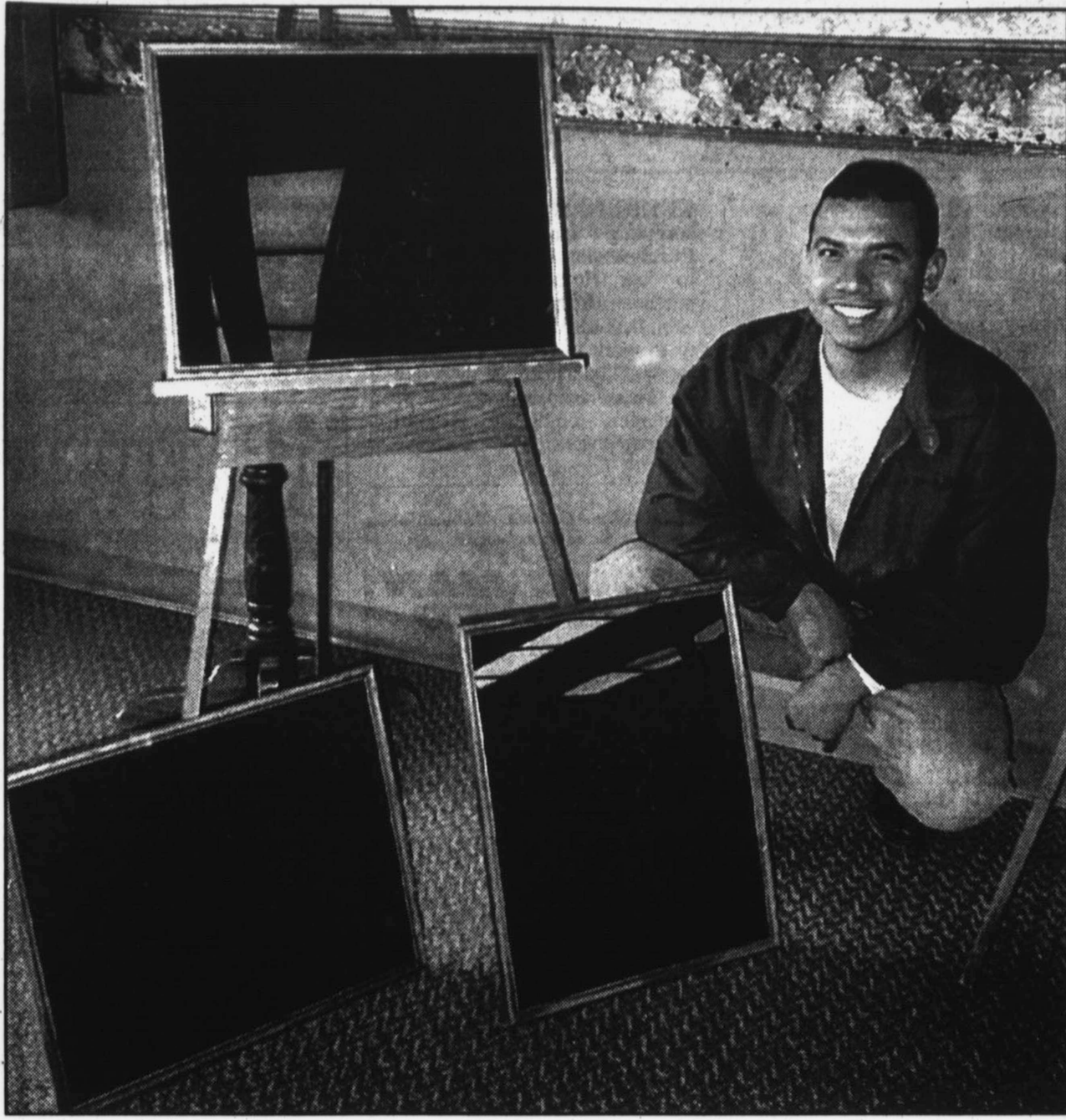
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## Area Events

### AMARILLO

The Randel Chamber Orchestra will present its second concert of the season at 8 p.m. Friday in the Trinity Baptist Church in Amarillo.

The evening's program features two members of the orchestra, both long time members of the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra; Susan Martin Tariq, percussion and Don Lefevre, saxophone.

The program for the evening will feature works by Milhaud, Ibert, Bach and Schubert.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling 806-376-8782.

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Dates for the camp are July 27-Aug. 2 for the first session and Aug. 3-Aug. 9 for the second session.

The camp, which is in its seventh year, is staffed by professional dancers from the Lone Star Ballet as well as dancers from the "TEXAS" Musical Drama and guest artists. Classes include ballet, tap, jazz, modern, pas de deux, and pointe.

For more information call 806-656-2820 or write to: WTAMU Dance Camp '97, WT Box 879, Canyon, TX 79016.

### CANYON

The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will open four different exhibitions Saturday focusing on Texas art.

"A.W. Mack: Scottish Painter in West Texas," "Carl T. Hoppe: The Studio Collection," "Carl T. Hoppe: New and Old," and "Lone Star Lithographs" will combine objects from the PPHM collection with works borrowed from public and private collections to emphasize the achievements of Texas artists.

"These exhibitions are part of the museum's commitment to historic (pre-1950) Texas art. Mack's contributions to Panhandle art, both as teacher and artist, are significant.

Hoppe's high place in the Hill Country art scene is finally being recognized by collectors and museums. The museum is actively building an important Texas print collection, including the works in

"Lone Star Lithographs," said Michael R. Grauer, curator of art.

The museum's Friends of Southwestern Art will host a reception for the exhibitions from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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### By The Associated Press

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In 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1899, a peace treaty between the United States and Spain was ratified by the U.S. Senate.

In 1933, the 20th Amendment to the Constitution - the "lame duck" amendment which moved the start of presidential, vice-presidential and congressional terms from March to January - was declared in effect.

In 1943, a Los Angeles jury acquitted actor Errol Flynn of three counts of statutory rape.

In 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was succeeded by his daughter, Elizabeth II.

In 1959, the United States successfully test-fired for the first time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral.

In 1978, Muriel Humphrey took the oath of office as a United States

senator from Minnesota, filling the seat of her late husband, former Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

Ten years ago: Reporter Gerald Seib of The Wall Street Journal was released after being detained six days in Tehran. He'd been accused of being a spy for Israel. Iran said the detention was a result of misunderstandings.

Five years ago: Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton denied he'd tried to avoid the Vietnam draft, saying he gave up a draft deferment in the fall of 1969 because he "didn't think it was right" to keep it. President Bush unveiled a health-care plan for most Americans. Sixteen people were killed when a C-130 military transport plane crashed in Evansville, Ind.

One year ago: A Turkish-owned Boeing 757 jetliner crashed into the Atlantic Ocean shortly after takeoff from the Dominican Republic, killing 189 people, mostly German tourists. Patrick Buchanan won the Louisiana Republican caucus, upsetting Phil Gramm.

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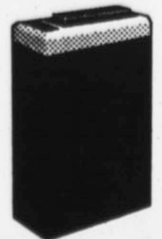
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## This Week in Entertainment

Entertainment highlights during the week of Feb. 9 - Feb. 15:  
55 years ago: The first gold record for sales of over 1 million copies was presented. The recipient? Glenn Miller, for his "Chattanooga Choo Choo" single.

45 years ago: The Screen Actors Guild negotiated the first contract that provided residual payments to actors for films sold to television.

40 years ago: Paramount News, the studio's newsreel, was discontinued.

35 years ago: First lady Jacqueline Kennedy conducted a one-hour

televised tour of the White House, the first public peek into the presidential backrooms and bedrooms.

25 years ago: The Hollywood Chamber of Commerce voted to add a star for film legend Charlie Chaplin to the Hollywood Walk of Fame. He had been kept out because of his politics.

John Lennon and Yoko Ono co-hosted "The Mike Douglas Show" for one week during which Lennon jammed with rock 'n' roll legend Chuck Berry.

## Actors gain beefy roles by losing or putting on weight

When Robert De Niro packed on the pounds to play boxer Jake LaMotta in "Raging Bull," everyone thought he had gone off the deep end.

That was taking Method acting to the extreme, they said. Or was it?

Nowadays, actors think nothing of shedding 20 pounds here and putting on 30 pounds there for the right movie role ... and, of course, the accompanying seven-figure salary.

It's not enough to merely play a character, they have to LIVE in that person's skin ... even if that means expanding or shrinking it into unnatural proportions.

To achieve their physical goals, they hire high-priced personal trainers, rise at 4 a.m. for pre-call workouts and heed the advice of nutritionists, who will tell them how to do it in a healthy way ... or as healthy as possible.

Think of Demi Moore toning up her already hard-bodied physique to bare it all as a nightclub dancer in "Striptease." Dennis Quaid practically starving himself into gaunt cowboy "Wyatt Earp." And the king of pecs Sylvester Stallone transmogrifying into the antithesis of "Rocky"

to play an overweight, pudgy sheriff in the recently released "Copland."

Courtney Love, who plays a dying, AIDS-infected Althea Flynt in "The People vs. Larry Flynt," lost 30 pounds in just a few weeks for the role.

Minnie Driver, on the other hand, gained some 30 pounds to make her ugly-duckling character more believable in "Circle of Friends." Keanu Reeves went through grueling training to tone up for "Little Buddha" (though he was more than a little hefty in last year's box-office dud, "Chain Reaction").

And who could forget Linda Hamilton's biceps in "Terminator II"? There's no doubt those sharply defined arms have launched more than a thousand biceps curls.

Whether these acts of body morphing reflect extreme dedication or just insecurity in one's acting abilities is an open question. Whatever the motivation, no mountain is too tall, no dumbbell too heavy and no StairMaster too intimidating for these stars to maintain their million-dollar figures.

Chris Imbo, a personal trainer who runs his own studio in New York, helped model-turned-actress Elle MacPherson tone up for her swimsuit calendar, then quickly become "voluptuous" for her role in "Sirens."

The lanky MacPherson wanted to be toned and thin for the pictorial that had her posing in next-to-nothing swimsuits.

"She was practically naked, so she wanted to look her best," Imbo said.

To achieve that goal, Imbo designed a 10-week workout for her that brought her into the gym two hours a day, five days a week. To get the sleek look, the former cover girl performed weight training that focused on heavy lifting and quick repetitions.

Star and trainer also went for long runs in Central Park, and MacPherson followed a low-fat diet that was heavy on fruits, vegetables and grains and light on carbohydrates.

After the intense slimming-down period, MacPherson had about two months to gain 25-pounds for her "Sirens" role that called for a more well-rounded woman.

"Especially, it just meant she didn't have to work out as hard," says Imbo, whose advice doesn't come cheap. He charges \$150 an hour, which he says is reasonable by personal trainers' standards.

Billy Baldwin didn't hesitate to shell out the bucks to prepare for his role as the romantic lead opposite Sharon Stone in "Sliver." His goal was to look more muscular, toned and defined for his revealing love scenes.

"He wanted to look better than Sharon Stone," Imbo said. "It's not easy."

Some stars shun the personal trainer route, preferring to check into a health spa, such as the Golden Door and La Costa Resort and Spa north of San Diego, where actors and regular folks can get whipped into shape in a natural, rugged setting.

Oprah Winfrey checked herself into the Cal-a-Vie resort in Vista, Calif., several years ago during her infamous yo-yo dieting period.

Ultimately, the spa wasn't what finally got Oprah on the right track. The talk show host learned what Demi, Elle and Sly have known all along—that to change your body's shape takes continuous hard work and lots of sweat.

## Birthdays

Cartoonist Matt Groening looked no further than to his own family when choosing names for his animated TV clan "The Simpsons."

The cartoonist's parents are Homer (also a cartoonist, who died in 1996) and Marge. Groening - whose name rhymes with complaining - has sisters named Maggie and Lisa. Bart, the hellion Simpson son, is the only member of the cartoon crew that doesn't share a family name. (It's an anagram from "brat.")

Any similarity ends there. "The Simpsons are relatively stupid and ugly. My family is smart and clever - and a little more attractive," said Groening, who celebrates his 43rd birthday on Feb. 15. "But I did drive my younger sisters crazy in the same way as Bart."

"The Simpsons" made its debut as a 20-second segment in "The Tracey Ullman Show" on the Fox network from 1987 to 1990. The Simpsons, who look very much like the wild-eyed rabbits of Groening's "Life in Hell" cartoon, derived from an "unpublishable novel" Groening wrote in high school.

James Brooks, the executive producer of "The Tracey Ullman Show," asked Groening to create the brief cartoon vignettes that led in and out of commercials during the show.

The Simpsons, a homely, squabbling brood of Middle-Americans, became such a hit that Fox spun them off into their own series. It was the first prime-time, network animated series since "The Jetsons" and "The Flintstones" in the 1960s.

Groening never expected to become a cartoonist. "My drawing didn't improve much after sixth grade," he said.

Growing up in Portland, Ore., Groening said he did well in school, but was frequently hauled to the principal's office for smart-aleck conduct - like drawing cartoons.

After attending Evergreen College in Olympia, Wash., he moved to Los Angeles to become a writer. One of his first employers was an aging B-movie director who needed help both getting around and writing his memoirs. "It turns out I was the latest in a long line of writer-chauffeurs."

From this and other joyless jobs, "Life Is Hell" was born.

Other celebrity birthdays include: Feb. 9: Singer-songwriter Carole King, 55; actor Joe Pesci, 54; singer Barbara Lewis, 54; actress Mia Farrow, 52; singer Joe Ely, 50; actress Judith Light ("Who's the Boss?"), 48.

Feb. 10: Actor Robert Wagner ("Hart to Hart"), 67; singer Roberta Flack, 58; singer Jimmy Merchant (Frankie Lyman and the Teenagers), 57; actress Kathleen Beller ("Dynasty"), 42; actress Laura Dern, 30.

Feb. 11: Actor Leslie Nielsen, 71; actress Tina Louise ("Gilligan's Island"), 63; actor Burt Reynolds, 61; singer Bobby "Boris" Pickett ("Monster Mash"), 57; actress Carey Lowell ("Law and Order"), 36; actress Jennifer Aniston ("Friends"), 28; singer D'Angelo, 23; singer-actress Brandy ("Moesha"), 18; actor Matthew Lawrence ("Brotherly Love"), 17.

Feb. 12: Movie director Franco Zeffirelli, 74; sportscaster Joe Garagiola, 71; rock musician Ray Manzarek (The Doors), 62; actor Joe Don Baker, 61; actress Maud Adams, 52; actor Cliff DeYoung, 52; actress Joanna Kerns, 44; actor-former talk show host Arsenio Hall, 42; actress Christine Elise, 32; singer Chynna Phillips (Wilson Phillips), 29.

Feb. 13: Actress Kim Novak, 64; actor George Segal, 63; actor Oliver Reed, 59; actor Bo Svenson, 56; actress Carol Lynley, 55; actress Stockard Channing, 53; talk show host Jerry Springer, 53; singer Peter Gabriel, 47; actor David Naughton,

46; rock musician Peter Hook, 41; singer Henry Rollins, 36.

Feb. 14: "20-20" co-host Hugh Downs, 76; actress-singer Florence Henderson ("The Brady Bunch"), 63; actor-dancer Gregory Hines, 51; actor Ken Wahl ("Wiseguy"), 41; actress Meg Tilly, 37.

Feb. 15: Actor Kevin McCarthy, 83; comedian Harvey Korman, 70; actress Claire Bloom, 66; actress Jane Seymour, 46; singer Melissa Manchester, 46; "Simpsons" creator Matt Groening, 43; reggae singer Ali Campbell (UB40), 38; actor Chris Farley, 33.

## Five questions with actor Jack Palance

Jack Palance - of the one-handed push-up at Oscar ceremonies. Jack Palance - the Angel of Death hired gun from "Shane," the bloodied boxer of television's "Requiem for a Heavyweight."

Jack Palance - poet of love? Apparently.

Capping a half-century of performances as some of the screen's signature tough guys, hit men and heavies, Palance, 77, is showing the world his tender side. He's traveled the country recently giving readings from his book-length poem, "The Forest of Love" (Summerhouse Press).

Speaking about matters of the heart is difficult for Palance. An actor's actor, he also a shy man when asked to give his opinion.

With restraint bordering on nervousness, he talks about Valentine's Day with the timbre and gravity of voice that could send a shiver through a darkened theater.

1. What is it that makes it such a challenge for men to achieve intimacy with women?

Palance: You're starting with the hard question. I think it's difficult for a man to want to be anything other than a real tough guy. I suppose it becomes a matter of a man and woman (needing) to find so many things that they can share. ... It's

almost as though everything that we do is sexually oriented. If only we could bring those things to an end.

2. How would you woo or impress someone you love on Valentine's Day?

Palance: I'd just like to be able to walk hand-in-hand down the street together. It can be something that simple.

3. So what would Jack Palance present as a Valentine's Day offering to someone?

Palance: You're making me laugh. These are hard questions. But I don't think there's anything that beats flowers.

4. Your poetry expresses the difficulty there is in telling someone you care for that you really love them. What's the best way to express that?

Palance: It sounds simple, but I can't think of any better way than just to say 'I love you.'

5. How would Jack Palance like to be thought of, or considered, on Valentine's Day. Would he like to get flowers? A card?

Palance: (Laughing again, a little nervously) I wouldn't go for getting the flowers. There's nothing wrong with that, but I'd just like to be known as a guy who is sensitive to what the day means ... that it's a day to be gentle.

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### Clearing the Air

Late last year the Environmental Protection Agency unveiled a set of proposed new air-quality standards which, predictably, have reignited the entire debate over how best to ensure that the air we breathe is clear, clean and healthy.

The new regulations, aimed at ridding the air of harmful ozone and microscopic particles smaller than dust, would impose significant new regulatory requirements on hundreds of communities nationwide. These include five areas in Texas which are in compliance with current law: Tyler-Longview-Marshall, Austin, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Victoria; as well as Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, Beaumont-Port Arthur and El Paso, which still are attempting to meet current requirements.

This could result in yet stricter mandates that would have an impact on many areas of our lives: the utilities that generate the energy we consume, the factories where we work, the dry cleaners who clean our clothes, as well as our automobiles, motorboats, leafblowers, lawnmowers and barbecues.

Yes, folks, the worst-case scenario: In order to achieve a standard which has yet to be proven to have a scientific basis, the time-honored tradition of Texas barbecue is threatened with federal regulation.

Moreover, communities found to be in non-compliance with the new regulations may face penalties including the loss of federal highway funding and the imposition of federally mandated compliance measures. The stakes in this debate are high, indeed.

Congress is trying to determine if the new rules can move us toward a sensible environmental policy that preserves all the gains we've made over the past two decades — without going to excess, and without imposing a costly, unbearable burden on our communities.

Complicating the problem of regulating particulates in the air generated by such activities as barbecues is the fact that there is no credible science to guide the EPA as to what size particles are the principle cause of health problems.

The EPA's own scientific advisory committee has concluded that the same public health benefits could be achieved under an alternative standard which would not throw so many cities into a state of financial havoc. Some believe the EPA's decision to impose the specific new standards it chose was based on policy and political considerations rather than sound science. It would be wiser, in my view, to encourage the EPA to adopt standards that are reasonable and achievable.

And the good news is, overall, our air quality is improving annually despite Texas' booming population growth and the increasing number of vehicles on our highways.

There are valid public health and environmental concerns in play here. I remain committed to the goal of cleaning up our air. But I believe we have to find ways to do so that are reasonable and effective, rather than arbitrary — and in some cases, virtually impossible to accomplish.

## Miss Hawaii wins Miss USA crown

By MARY FOSTER  
Associated Press Writer

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) - Miss Hawaii Brook Lee was crowned Miss USA Wednesday night after dazzling the judges with her swimsuit and evening gown presentation and her response to a final question about how she would deal with gaining weight during her reign.

The question was prompted by Miss Universe Alicia Machado, who gained an undisclosed amount after winning her title last May. The weight gain prompted speculation about whether she should retain the crown.

Miss Idaho Brandi Sherwood was the first runner-up and Miss Tennessee Towanna Stone was the second runner-up.

A boat, a car and a \$20,000 diamond brooch were among the prizes for the top finalists in the pageant, an annual spectacle co-owned by Donald Trump and CBS.

Marla Maples Trump and George Hamilton were the hosts and the judges included race car driver Michael Andretti, sports announcer Greg Gumbel, NFL kicker Nick Lowery and model Gayle Gurchick.

Fifty-one young women were on hand in this northwestern Louisiana city to compete for the right to succeed Ali Landry as Miss USA. The title comes with more than \$170,000 in cash and prizes, and a chance to compete in the Miss Universe pageant in May.

The list of 51 was trimmed to 10 at the start of Wednesday night's nationwide telecast, later to six finalists and then to three, one of whom was selected Miss USA.

The other finalists were Miss Utah, Temple Taggart; Miss Florida, Angela Savage; and Miss Texas, Amanda Little.

They had been joined in the top 10 by Miss Rhode Island, Claudia Jordan; Miss Alabama, Autumn Smith; Miss Oklahoma, Trisha Stillwell; and Miss New Jersey, Jennifer Makris.

Contestants were judged on interviews, a swimsuit competition and an evening-gown competition.

Included in the winner's awards were a boat valued at \$23,000 and a 1997 Pontiac Sunfire convertible, a \$20,000 diamond brooch, a diamond and gold watch valued at \$15,000 and a one-week Hawaiian vacation for two.

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## For criminal trials

# Kerr County is tough place

By KELLEY SHANNON  
Associated Press Writer  
KERRVILLE, Texas (AP) - Darlie Routier's fate may have been sealed the day her capital murder trial was moved to Kerr County.

"This is the wrong place to try a case like this," defense attorney Richard Mosty said after the Rowlett homemaker was sentenced to death Tuesday for killing her 5-year-old son.

"Kerr County is just too conservative for this," said Mosty, a Kerrville lawyer.

"All this did was send out a message to the nation that if you want to send an innocent person to jail and put them on death row, try them in Kerrville, Texas," added Mrs. Routier's mother, Darlie Kee.

Kerrville has a history of being tough on crime. And if questions are raised about the defendant's lifestyle — as they were about Mrs. Routier's — it could spell doom, experts say.

Jurors have said they do not want to publicly discuss the case.

Mrs. Routier, 27, was accused of stabbing to death her two young sons June 6, 1996, at the family's suburban home near Dallas. Prosecutors alleged she cut herself and staged a crime scene so she could blame an intruder.

A seven-woman, five man jury convicted Mrs. Routier of killing 5-year-old Damon Routier. A separate charge for the death of 6-year-old Devon Routier likely will be dismissed, prosecutor Greg Davis

said. Mrs. Routier arrived at a state prison reception center in Gatesville for processing Wednesday afternoon.

Her sentence was imposed just a day after the American Bar Association, meeting 60 miles away in San Antonio, urged a nationwide moratorium on the death penalty.

Mrs. Routier's original court-appointed lawyers wanted her trial moved from Dallas County because of publicity in North Texas, and the judge selected Kerrville.

After Mrs. Routier's family raised enough money to hire a high-powered defense team, her new attorneys tried to return the case to Dallas. But Judge Mark Tolle refused.

Kerrville has a large population of retirees, and even young people in Kerr County tend to be conservative, explained 198th District Attorney Ron Sutton, whose territory covers Kerrville.

"We have had, generally, excellent success in Kerrville," said Sutton, who was not a prosecutor in the Routier case.

Likewise, Robert Hirschhorn, lead consultant with Cathy Bennett & Associates, a jury and trial consultant firm in Galveston, said Kerrville is considered conservative and punitive.

Requesting a change of venue is not always a good move because the trial could be relocated to a less favorable place, Hirschhorn said. He noted that Susan Smith, the South Carolina woman convicted of drowning her two children in 1994,

was tried in her own hometown and given a life sentence.

In Kerrville, Mrs. Routier "was infamous, but not attached, and therefore it's much easier to want to take the life of that person."

Kerr County jurors sentenced Scott Panetti of Fredericksburg to death in 1995 for fatally shooting his wife's parents.

In 1994, in another case moved to Kerrville, Donald Aldrich was sentenced to death for taking part in the abduction, robbery and slaying of a gay man in Tyler.

Prosecutors in Mrs. Routier's trial urged jurors to imagine the murders happening in their own town and to send a message to the community.

"Say, 'You cannot have our children. If you kill our children, we'll come after you,'" prosecutor Davis said.

Defense attorneys claimed prosecutors were trying to "trash" Mrs. Routier because they disliked

her lifestyle.

Court testimony indicated marijuana was found in the Routier home and that Mrs. Routier gave marijuana and alcohol to a 16-year-old baby sitter.

Witnesses also testified Mrs. Routier had breast implants; she had "sex toys" in her home; she often wore no undergarments; and on Mother's Day weekends she and several women friends had partied and watched male strippers.

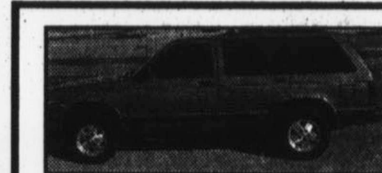
Sutton, the 198th district attorney, said that kind of evidence doesn't sit well with a Kerr County jury, particularly the parts about sex toys and providing marijuana to a 16-year-old.

"That is just absolutely out in Kerr County," he said. "If they don't like the defendant, the defendant better watch out."



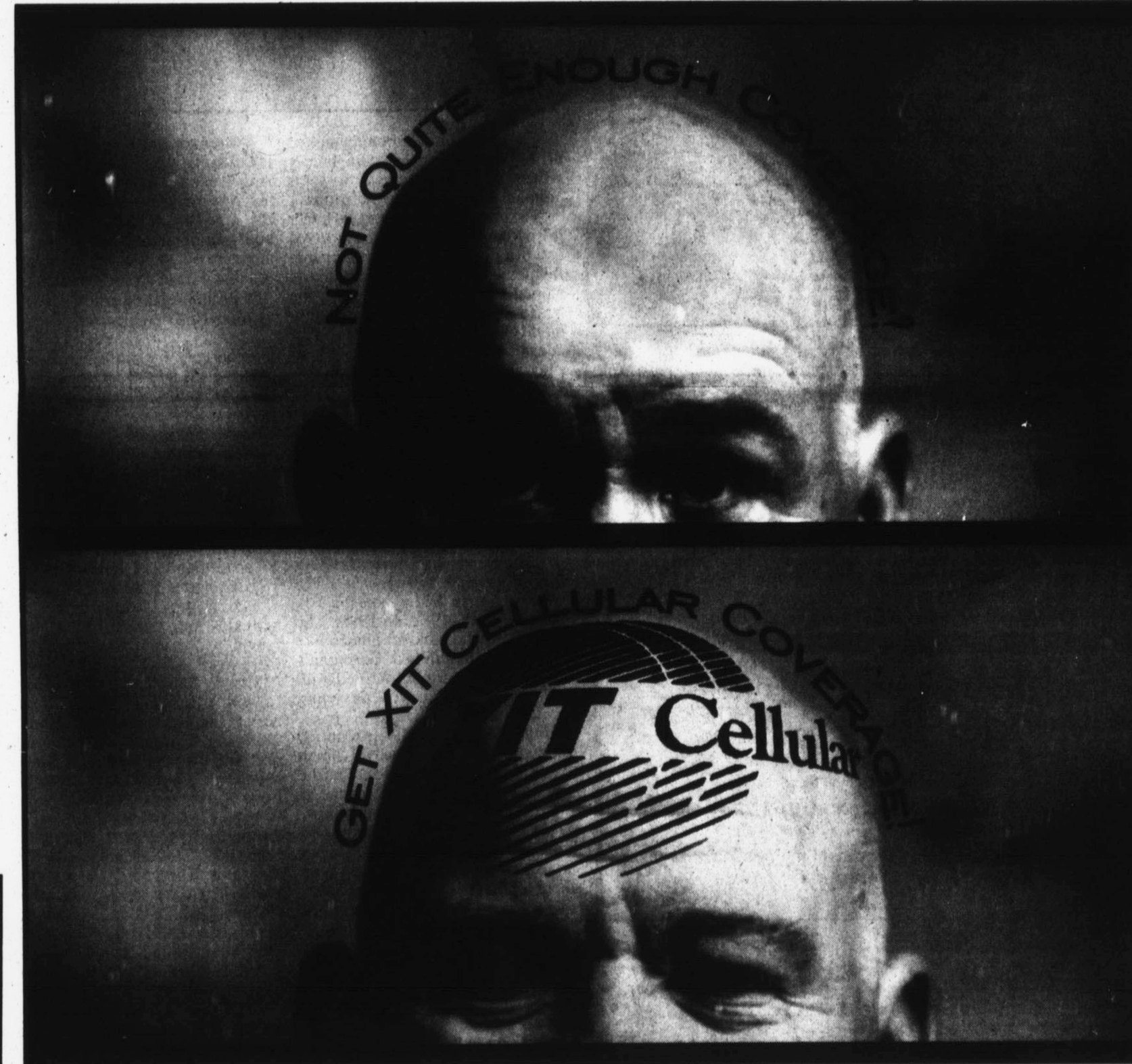
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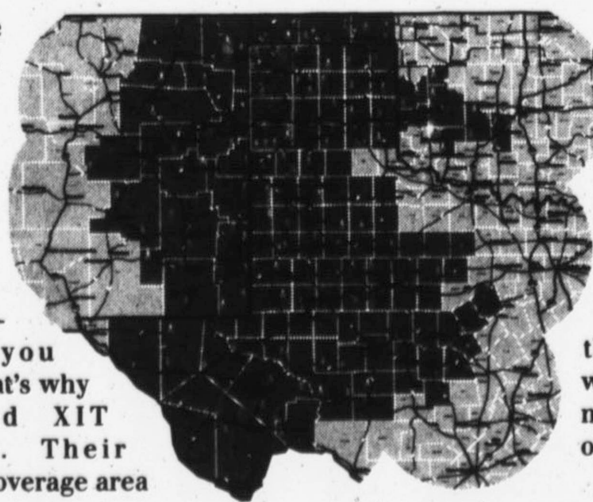
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