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Books on sale
Books, books and more books are on sale at the Northwest Primary School Spring Book Fair this week. The fair is open from $9: 15$ a.m. to $2: 15$ p.m. daily in the media center. Here, from left, Thomas Bailey, Ringo Cano, Alexandria Bridges and April Ruiz look over the book selection. The PTO also sponsored a fund-raiser, where students paid 25 cents to wear a hat or house shoes on Wednesday

## Inaccurate FBI crime lab work

 could taint past prosecutionsdefense lawyers say inaccurate defense lawyers say inaccurate
testimony and flawed scientific by FBI crime lab agents criticized in a Justice Department report coul a Justice Department reporit could
taint thousands of past and pending
prosecutions.
But Justice Department officials But Justice Department officials
argue the lab's problems have not changed the outcome of any of 13 cases in which defense lawyers already have brought up the errors in
court. And officials say a far smaller court. And of cases still faces evaluation. On Tuesday after an 18-month investigation, Justice Departmen
Inspector General Michael Bromwich Inspector General Michael Brom wich criticized the world-renowned lab's
work in some minor and major cases including the Oklahoma City bombing, New York's World Trade Center bombing and the mail-bomb
murder of federal appellate judge murder of federal appellate judge
Robert Vance.
Assisted by five outside scientists, Asmwich's investigators studied allegations against three of the lab's analysis. and chemistry,-toxicology.
Bromwich said his criticisms "should Justice officials said 500 cases But Judy Clarke, a federal public General Janet Reno said. only 55 of
defender in Spokane, Wash., who is those cases contained problems that

Hispanic America, No. 2

## One man's journey on road to American Dream

## House committee okays plan to cut school property taxes


#### Abstract

nusmuab -itum mow committee today unanimously approved a plan to cut local school property taxes by about $\$ 2.5$ billion a year. a year. The Tuesday The committee worked late Tuesday making final changes to the proposal. It would cut local residential school property taxes in half and would cut local business school would cut local business school property taxes by roughly one-third. property taxes by roughly one-dild The business property tax would be administered by the state. "It's a good plan. It meets what I hoped would happen," said Gov. I hoped would happen, said Gov. George W. Bush, who has made the issue his top priority this session. Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the committee. "It provides over 50 percent reduction in property taxes for maintenance and operation. does all of the things within the criteria given to us. With less than 50 With less than 50 days left in the legislative session, the bill must pass legislative session, the bill must pass the House and Senate and could face a conference committee to work out differences between the two chambers before going to Bush. An chambers before going to Bush. An accompanying constitutional amendment, which also was approved today, would go to voters in The governor, who raised the issue has said he is confident lawmakers can beat the clock. To pay for the proposed cuts, the committee plan would expand the state business tax, increase some taxes and add to the list of goods and services subject to the state sales tax. It also would dedicate an additional proceeds to schools. The proposal contains a provision meant to ensure that renters benefit $\qquad$ Robin Hood forces 91 school istricts wiun an abundance of taxable poorer districts. The proposal would lower the legal limiton localresidential school taxes for operation andmaintenance to 70 cents per $\$ 100$ in value. The to 70 cents per $\$ 100$ in value. Th current cap is $\$ 1.50$ per $\$ 100$. The cap on businers poroperty would fallto $\$ 1.05$ from $\$ 1.50$ level. uildings and debt twould remain buildings and debt would remain: 50 cents per $\$ 100$. Schools tha lowered that tax rate to 10 cents would be eligible for up to $\$ 90$ per student in state aid to pay off debt. student in state aid to pay off debt. All schools would beeligible for help

\section*{City sales tax check} for April is \$83,044 The City of Hereford's sales tax $\$ 79,584$ a year ago. The year-to-dat payment for April is $\$ 83,044$-down total is $\$ 108,444$ - compared' to payment for Aprii is $\$ 83,044$ - down total is 26 percent for the same time a year $\$ 126,404$ a ye ago. The year-to-date total is $\$ 312,925$, off 9.7 percent from a year $\begin{aligned} & \text { Houston leads the way statewide } \\ & \text { with An }\end{aligned}$ April payment of $\$ 17 / 5$ $\$ 312,925$, off 9.7 percent from a yea ago. with an April payment of $\$ 17.5$ John Sharp, state comptroller, smaller than the same month last reported a total of $\$ 142.5$ million in sales tax rebates is being delivered to Texas cities and counties. While Texas cities and counties. While April payments overall are somewhat Aplow those for the same month last year, the year-to-date checks over the year, he year-to-date checks over the first four months are still up by 4.3 percent, said Sharp This month's sal Hereford's 1.5 percent tax includes sales taxes collected in February and reported on March filing forms reported on March filing forms. Deaf Smith County's half-cent sales tax resulted in a payment of $\$ 22,707$ for April. This compares to year. Dallas is nextat $\$ 11.2$ million off 7.3 percent. Amarillo dr Amarillo drew a $\$ 2.5$ million collected $\$ 1.72$ million rehate on coliected $\$ 1.72$ million rebate on a 1.125 percent sales tax. Plainview's payment was $\$ 160,456$ on 21.5 percent tax, and Pampe percent tax, and Pampa collected $\$ 188,069$ ona 2 percent tax. Borge $188,069 \mathrm{ona} 22$ percent tax. Borger Other area towns include sales tax resulted in a payment of $\$ 58,271(1 \%)$; Canyon, $\$ 39,785$ on $\begin{array}{ll} \\ \$ 22,707 \text { for April. This compares to } & 1 \% \text {; Dimmitt, } \$ 15,3 \\ \text { Friona, } \$ 14,017(2 \%) \text {. }\end{array}$


## Request to cross county road with water line draws protests

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN Texas Air Quality Board. Micah matter without delaying the project,
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Editor-Publisher } & \text { Noland also voiced opposition. } \\ \text { If it is approved. The court decided }\end{array}$ Deaf Smith County Commissioners' Court routinely approved the
crossing of two county roads with water and gas lines Monday, but a third request was fabled after a heated
discussion. discussion.
Caviness Packing Company had Caviness Packing Company had
requested to cross a road in Precinct requested to cross a road in Precinct
1 with a waste water line, and several persons voiced objection to the plan.
Mike Morrison voiced opposition to Mike Morrison voiced opposition to
the request and asked commissioners not to grant the crossing. He said the line was to be used to carry water to a field, where the
affluent would be sprayed. He affluent would be sprayed. He
protested it would create a bad odor, protested it would create a bad odor, hurt the lifestyle of nearby residents,
and devalue the land. Morrison
added that he had protested to the

Noland also viced opposition.
County Judge Tom Simons
explained that commissioners were explained that commissioners were only considering a request to cross
the road with a pipeline, and the county had no authority over on
affluent being affluent being sprayed on land.
An engineer representing An engineer representing Caviness
explained that the Texas Natural Resources and Conservation Commission had given tentative approval of a draft permit and, if
approved, there would be a time set approved, there would be a time set
for public comment. He assured those present that there would be no leakage and no damage to the aquifer. Commissioner Lupe Chavez said would rather wait for the TNRCC crossing. Commissioner Trove D.
pore said the county could table the table the issue. In other action during the regular meeting Monday, the court approved the low bid of Plains Insurance fo liability insuranceon public officials and law enforcement offficers;
discussed expansion of the County Youth Home; discussed possible esale Youth Home; discussed possible sale
of a county building; discussed the drug policy for county employees with commercial drivers' licenses.
and discussed forms and policy for the sick leave pool. Commissioners had studied the insurance bids since the previous meeting. The county court decided, after
totaling the bids to get comparable totaling the bids to get comparable
coverage, that the Plains' bid was (Sece countr, prage 2)


## Ruffling his feathers

Ducks at the Aquatic Center Park lake took advantage of the warm, sunny weather. The high temperature was 80 degrees in Hereford on Tuesday. Here, a duck shakes the water off his wing after a dip, while a another duck prefers to soak up the sun rays.

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## Citywide garage sale planned

## County Chamber

 af Commerce is asking citizens to participate in a Citywide theeventand advertise it all ary 19 . The chamber win spoffort attract as many out-of-town customers as possible. Don umpton, Cof Cmanager, urged local citizens who are planning a garage sale to "put it on hold" until July 19. For more
## Cloudy, warmer on Thursday

Hereford recorded a high of 80 Tuesday and a low of 43 this moring, reports KPAN. Tonight, mostly clear. Low clouds and fog possiblly developing late. Low near 40 with southeast to south wind $5-15 \mathrm{mph}$. Thursday, low clouds and areas of fog possible in the moming. Otherwise, partly cloudy and warmer with a high 75-80. Friday and Saturday, dry with a low of 40 to 45, Highs in the middle 70s to lower 80s. Sunday, a chance of showers.

## Obituaries


J.E. Wade, 79, of Whitharral, died Co-Op Elevator Board for 18 year tesides in Hereford. $\quad$ and a wember of the Veterans of in Weviiceswall beais4 pm. Thursday $\begin{aligned} & \text { was a member of the Veterans of } \\ & \text { Foreign Wars Post in Littefield. }\end{aligned}$ Rev. Michal Bpitst Church with the
He farmed in Hockley County for Paul's Lutheran Church in Levelland,
Sard Survivors include his wife; two of First Baptist Church in Enochs. Whitharral and Cynthia Burnam of officiating. Burial will be in Petersburg; three brothers, Joe Wade
LixtefieldMemoriaiPark by Geo.C. of Santa Fe, N.M., Weldon Wade of Price Faneral Directors of Levecliand. Kenner, LAA,, and Pervadus Wade of
Mr. Wade was bom in Perrin. He Hereford; three sisters, Frances Slape was a U.S. Army veteran of World of Levelland, Patsy Smith of Nampa 1950 in Littlefield. He served on the Calif; and four grandchildren.

## News Digest

## STATE

TEXASCITY-Georgybel Legendre remembers crawling with co-workers from the rubble of their coillopsed builting Oustidetinthe parking lot, cars were crushedor damaged. A large pieceof stee thad pierged the steel butterfly. The 21 -year-old lab worker tugged it out and began ferrying
injured people to hospitals. That was 50 years ago today in what was to injured people to hospitals. That was 50 years ago today in what was to ecome the nation's worst industrial disaster.
cheduled a vote today on a plan to cut local school property taxes by schoduled a vote today
AUSTIN - A black state senator is threatening a talkathon against a proposal to change the way some Texas judges are selected because he
says the plan would do nothing to diversify an overwhelmingly white Judiciant ANTONIO - Three members of Congress will bring their task force investigating

HOUSTON - A former University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston fficial is accusing the hospital of steering donated li patients, The Texas Journal of the Wall Street Journal reported today.
AUSTIN- With constitutional questions persisting about whether the Texas hate crimes law is too vague, a bill aimed at tightening the statute has been approved by the Senate Criminal Justice Committee

## NATION/WORLD

 WASHINGTON-Criminal defense lawyers say inaccurate testimonyand flawed scientific work by FBI crime lab agents criticized in a Justice
Department report could taint thousands of past and pending prosecutions. Department report could taint thousands of past and pending prosecutions.
But Justice Department officials argue the lab's problems have not changed But Justice Department officials argue the lab's problems have not changed
the outcome of any of 13 cases in which defense lawyers already have brought up the errors in court.
MINA, Saudi Arabia - With smoke lingering, Saudi workers hastily set up tents for thousands of Muslim pilgrims upended by a fire that ripped
through their sprawling, overcrowded tent city. The official death toll in Tuesday's fire was 217, but witnesses said at least 300 died as they gere stranded on the plain outside the holy city of Mecca.

WASHINGTON - White House aides have always argued confidently that President Clinon wornt and ing wiries into Democratic fund-raising gather steam, ©onfidence is agenda will be flatened by legal woes.
PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti - Haiti has a big lure to draw garment-making jobs from other countries. Its labor force is the lowest-paid in the Western
Hemisphere. That dubious distinction is the focus of charges that worker are exploited in Haiti. The Caribbean nation has become a major target of U.S. labor activists who want American companies to pay more to Third World workers.
WASHINGTON
WASHINGTON. While promising fundamental tax reform, the
Republican-controlled House failed to muster the votes to pass a proposed Republican-controlled House failed to muster the votes to pass a proposed
Constitutional amendment that would make it harder for Congress to raise Constit
taxes.

## Emergency Services

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## Activists announce formation of Texas Hispanic Families Coalition

AUSTIN (AP)-Hispmicactivist Logistature and syy they will make handle key minority issues.
Hispanic orgitanizations on theosday announcod the formation of the Texas
Hispanic Families Coalition. They alsoannounced aplat toi issuer repor cards on each hwmaker's voting
recordon what the group called key minority issues. tive) "Hispanics are in every (legistaDemocrator Repuobican, , said Rep.
Hugo Hugo Berranga, D-Corpus Christi, Legislative Caucus, "The time has
come for us to fully Leadersics," Caeaders of the group, including Gil American Citizens, said issues thai will be monitored this session
include: -Responsetoa federal court ruling univérities to no longer use race as antacrorin determining admissions or
financial did financiala aid.
children. Financial disabled immial aid for

Support for bilingual education.
pubicic money is used for private school tuition
-Privatizatio

## stem.

-Continued supportor the get state contracts.
Gamez said lawmakers who support schooi vouchers, a private
welfare delivery system and welfare delivery system and the use
of race-neutral faciors state contract-


## Trumpet trio

The Hereford High School trumpet trio has qualified for the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest in Austin on May 26. Pictured, left to right, are Jonathan Cantu, Jeff Higgins and Leslie Poarch.

## Two cigarette makers having secret talks with plaintiffs over settlement

NEW YORK (AP) - In a major urning point in tobacco litigation, the nation's two biggest cigarette makers
are having secrettalks with plaintifs over a broad settlement, The W

COUNTY
$\$ 34,575.40$ and the Texas Association of Counties bid was \$34,757-a
difference of $\$ 181.60$ Commissioners approved Plains' bid. The court granted requests for crossing county roads with a gas pipe line in Precinct 1 and a water line,
also in Precinct 1. The City of also in Precinct 1. The City of to well in the area of 15th and Progressive Road. Lou Serrano, Juvenile Probation
Officer, presented tentative pland Officer, presented tentative plans for
expanding the youth home at 216 E 5 th St. The addition would include space for the juvenile probation
offices, offices, currently boused in a rented
space formerly occupied by Hereford space formerly
Serrano e estimated a turn-key job
by a contractor would be approxiby a contractor would be approxiand inmate labor would substantially decrease the cost. He will return to
de court with more the court with more figures on the cost involved. Commissioners discussed the use
of the old McMorries building north of town. It in not being used and the court decided to advertise for bids on the property. Bids will be opened
citing unidentified sources familiar
with the negotiations. Although the two tobacco companies. Philip Mortis Cos. and
RJR Nabisco, have in the past expressed interest in a possible settlement, the report marks the first time they have actually negotiated
concessions once considered concessions
unthinkable.
These include giving the Food and Drug Administration regulatory rights, banning cigarette billboards
and ceasing to use pictures of people
$\qquad$ in ads.
In return, the companies were asking for shelter from the growing number of liability lawsuits, although
the mechanism would require an act of Congress.
Under the plan, the industry would establish a fund from which smokers could seek payments, but they would
be banned from suing the cigarette be banned fro
companies.
The companies declined to comment, and the Journal said
unresolved unresolved issues could still sink the talks, such as whether But the negotiations sring together
an unprecedented cast of characters, an unprecedented cast of characters, from Philip Morris chairman
Geoffrey Bible to RJR Chairman Geoffrey Bible to RJR Chairman
Steven Goldstone to Deputy White House Counsel Bruce Lindsey, who has been monitoring the talks.
The two cigarette executives als The two cigarette executives also
are representing two other tobacco are representing two other tobacco
companies in the talks, Loews Corp.'s
Lorillard unit and B. orillard unit and B.A.T. Industries


## Brass quintet

The Hereford High School brass quintet has qualified for the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest in Austin on May 26. Pictured, front row from left, are Craig Ames, Cathy Higgins and John Rodriguez; back row from left, Aaron Caraway and Brandon Stowe.

PLC's Brown \& Williamson unit, the On the other side of the table are our state attorneys general: Michael of Arizona, Robert Butterworth of Florida and Christine Gregoire of Washington. The negotiations come at a time
when legal pressure on tobacco companies is intensifying at a rapid
rate. Bennett LeBow, the head of the Bennett LeBow, the head of the
Liggett Group which makes
Chesterfield, L\&M and Lark cigarettes, recently broke ranks with the industry and agreed to setule cases
against it by admitting smoking was addictive. In settling the 22 state lawsuits
filed against it, Liggett turned over filed against it, Liggett turned over thousands of documents that
reportedly include industry-wide reportedly include industry-wide
discussions of tobacco dangers and marketing, which may prove fraud and conspiracy.
The documents are likely to be The documents are likely to be
used in lawsuits against other tobacco companies.
Tobacco
nervousco companies watching a trial in are Jacksonville, Fla., in which a family
blames R.J. Reynolds for the deth of a woman who smoked for decades.

## cimio <br> TEXBS LOTTEA

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday
the Texas Lottery, in order:
$\underset{(\text { nine-six-one) }}{\substack{9-6-1}}$
AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn
Tuesday by the Texas Lotery:
5-16-21-25-34
(five, sixteen, twenty-one,
twenty-five, thirty-four)

THE HEREFORD BRAND



## Bridal shower held

 Rodriguez, left, mother of the bride-elect.
## Rodriguez honored with shower

A bridal shower in honor of Isabel
Rodriguez, bride-elect of Efrain Rivera, was held Sunday in the home of Dolores Foster. wedding.

Greeting guests with ere and the hostess Foster.
Refreshments of fresh fruit, tortilla

Dear Ann Landers: My "prob- if there are no children involved, the I would not characterize what your lem" may not merit space in your family structure changes and the old sister did as an act of betrayal, but it greatly appreciated. grealy while back, my sister's daughter was getting married. While I was happy for my niece (I like her very much, my sister and I have had a strained relationship for years. Thi
sister took it upon herself to plan a family reunion the same weekend as her daughter's wedding. On my invitation, she wrote, "Be aware that your ex-husband and his new wife
have been invited to both the wedding have been invited to both the wedding
and the family reunion." When I read that, I was stunned. I felt as if I had been slapped in the face.
My sister had every right to invite
anyone she wished to the wedding, but I believe she was totally out of line to invite a sibling's ex-spouse and his new wife to a family reunion.
When a couple divorces, especially

Senior Citizens

## MENUS THURSDAY-Barbe

 THURSDAY-Barbecue Polish sausage, blackeyed peas, steamed bread, vanilla pudding; orsteak, D'zerta pudding. steak, D'zerta pudding.
FRIDAY-Fish, tartar sauce, Fraroni and cheese, Normandy p.m vegetables, cabbage slaw
bread, pears; or McRibb. bread, pears; or McRibb.
MONDAY-Spaghetti with meat MONDAY-Spaghetti with meeat
sauce, Italian green beans, tossed sauce, ,1talian green beans, ossed with cream; or chicken a la king. Jello. TUESDAY-Chicken strips with gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered p.m gravy, mashed potaiocs,
broccoli, jelliedcditrus salad, biscuits,
strawberry shortcake with fruit strawberry shortcake with fruit
topping; or ham, fruit cup. brown potatoes, buttered slice carrots with brown sugar, green
onions, pickles, cornbread, apricot cobbler; or baked chicken, apricots.

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I would not characterize what your
sister did as an act of betrayal, but it
was certainly insensitive. I hope, however, that you went to the
celebration, held your head high and celebration, held your head high and
showed off your wonderful husband. Dear Ann Landers: I'd like to comment on the letter from the
woman who married an older man and regretted that they had had no children together.
After the death of my first wife when I was 47, I married a young
woman of 27. Since I had two adult children and several grandchildren, I felt no urge to go through the
complications of child rearing again. My new wife agred This worked out well for eight This worked out well for eight caught up with my wife. She
intentionally got pregnant. Iloved my intentionally got pregnant. Iloved my
wife very much and realized that she had a right to a normal life, so we agreed to have the baby. We were
blessed with a beautiful litte girl. blessed with a beautiful little girl. Two years later, we had a fine baby
boy. I was 60 when he was born. That
was 28 years was 28 years ago.
Since I was retired and able to

## ACTIVITIES

 THURSDAY-Poolexercise class 10 clas
$10-10: 45$
a.m., oil painting $9-11$ a.m., choir practice $1-2$ p.m., Thrift Shop open 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
FRIDAY-Pool classes, line dance FRIDAY-Pool classes, line dance

SATURDAY-Games 12 noon
MONDAY-Pool classes, line MONCe $10-11$ a.m... doll classs $1-4$ p.m.
dind TUESDAY-Pool classes, exercise ciass $10-10.45$ a.m., Beltone 10 a.m.
12 noon, decorative tole painting $1-3$ 12 noon
p.m.
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WEDNESDAY-Pool classes exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., exercise class
ceramics $1-3$ p.m.

Since I was retired and able to
spend all day with my young
children, I felt very close to them. children, I felt very close to them.
Now, at 88, I have spent a third of century with my wonderful son and
daughter, watching them grow up daughter, watching them grow up.
One is a graduate of Stanford University. The other graduated from University. The other graduated from
the University of Southem Califormia.
Whe When they come home to visit us,
we have a marvelous time. I am filled we have a marvelous time. I am filled
with gratitude that my young wife with gratudude that my young wife
insisted on giving me such a priceless gift.I'm sure the children have added
years to my life. I'm -- Blessed in alifornia
Dear Calif.: Those May-December marriages are often very good or
very bad. very bad. I'm happy that yours is in
the first category. Long may you
love.

## A-H Glass \& Glazing

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> ANOTHES CHOGENE GLASS

Long Distance Call Collect
sabel Rodriguez, bride-elect of Efrain Rivera, was honored with a bridal shower Sunday in the home of Dolores Foster, right. Greeting guests with the honoree and hostess was Gloria
roll-ups, Iemon bars, Mexican heartshaped cookies, sand tarts, nuts,
coffee and mock champagne punch were served by the hostesses.

Table decorations were highlighted reenery in inece of pink gladiolus an greenery in a crystal vase centered on white linen tablecloth with touches were in silver and crystal.
A. king size floral quilted
comorter was the gift from hostesses
Vickie Barrera, Joyce Blasingame, Vickie Barrera, Joyce Blasingames,
Jo Ann Burfield, June Dearing Do Ann Burfield, June Dearing,
Dolores Foster, Amanda Gambo Mary Gamboa, Irene Gonzalez, Elvira, Gonzalez, Carolyn Hiltbruner, Marylin Leasure, Ruth McDowell,
Paula Miller, Judy Minchew Paula Miller, Judy Minchew, Pat
Simnacher, Lydia Villanueva and Simnacher,
Judy Wall.

## Ann Landers

## Cancer society to benefit from

 'Relay for Life' planned in June
## The Deaf Smith Chapter of the American Cancer Society

 American Cancer Society has to Treff.announced plans for announced plans for its first annual "Once your entry fee is paid, you
"Relay for Life," June $6-7$, at just walk. That's it," he said.
Whiteface Stode" Whiteface Stadium. The relay, which will feature area
residents of all ages walking around start at 6 p.m. Friday evening with a
ceremonial "Survivor's Well each walk foop 24 hours thatraight, said Adam Treff, publicity chairperson for be impossible for even the mos experienced walker.
According to Treff will only be walking abouta half hour at a time. He adds, "There will be teams of people, each walking his or her shift, with each team member
having one common goal -- to help in the fight against cancer."
ach team member will donate $\$ 50$ as an "entry fee." And Treff said
teams will be mate teams will be made up of local members of churches, clubs and
organizations, employees from area businesses or anyone who likes to
walk. "Lots of people in Hereford choose walking as exercise. You can always see them at the mall, around the
Aquatic Center lake or justaround the block," he said.
Participants in the "Relay for Life"
do not have to walk for so many cents
Price to speak
at Barn Church
Monty Price will be the featured

## He added there are plenty of other

 Treff said the "Survivor's Walk"will consist of local residents
diagnosed with cancer, but who may
be doing a little better, thanks to the
efforts of the American Cancer
Society.
"There will also be a brief
memorial service to ononor those lost
to this terrible disease. And during
that ceremony, lighted luminary
candles will line the track, each with
the name of a loved one we wish to
remember during the event." Treff
said.
Treff lost his mother topancreatic
cancer
"So 1992 .
signed we we have about 14 teams
forere is plenty of room The event will have a sort of carnival atmosphere, with live music on stage, food and game booths, and "Whecher you waint in comtuties. bake some coolkies, or maybe you're in a band and you want to donate some of your time, we need you. We really want to make this the most fun and meaningful experience Hereford has seen in a long time," Treff ssio.
Hecan bereached by calling 806 -$364-2536$ for more information.
 7:30 p.m. Thursday in B Bar $S$ Arena.
Please note the Please note the meeting time has
changed since changed since the return of daylight
savings time. savings time.
Regular Barn Church attenders will remember Price from his first
speaking engagement in August of
last year speaking
last year,'

Price's ministry includes family members Susan, Leann and Jake who
have likewise been called to preach,
sing and teach about Jesus.
The public is invited to
The public is invited to attend this
non-denominational Christian service non-denominational Chrisuan service
to hear Price, who has pastored for 11
years, as well as preaching at rodeos years, as well as preaching at rodeos
and camp meetings.

L'Allegra sets geranium sale L'Allegra Study Club will hold
its annual geranium sale beginning from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday at the Hereford Community Center.
The sale will continue Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Plants available will include
foliage, flowering pin foliage, flowering plants and an
assortment of hanging backets Colors are red, hot pink and salmon. Prices begin at $\$ 3$, up to
$\$ 15$ $\$ 15$. Proceeds from the fund-raiser
will benefit Mothers Park

Hospital Notes
Report from Hereford Regional Admitted: James Ash, Yolanda Rodriguez.
Discharged: Jesusa Ozuna.
Hereford Parks \& Rec

## Spring clean up Day

Spring is here!!!
Get your partner and join up for a fun day of picking up trash and make your town the star of Texas.
Afterwards join me at the Aquatic Center for a dip in the pool and a tasty barbecue. Our little way of saying


## Sports

## Herd ends 12-game skid against Caprock

| By TOMMY WELLS <br> Managing Editor | The Whitefaces rallied from an early deficit to score 10 runs in their | faces were notching their first District $1-4 \mathrm{~A}$ victory, they also erased | been trying hard all year long. The breaks haven't gone our way a lot |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ARILLO- The streak is dead | final two at-bats and claim a wild, | the foul memory of a 12 -game los- | of the time, but against Caprock |
|  | emotion-taxing 11-7 victory over | ing streak that had haunted them for | they did. It's been a long time since |
| Perhaps the best way to describe. | the Caprock Longhorns yesterday | better than a month. | we've won a game, but they never |
| e Hereford Whitefaces' stunning | evening in front of a large crowd at | "I's great for the kids," said | quit trying, so Tm happy for them," |
| come-from-behind win over the | Longhorn Field. Hereford had | Hereford head baseball coach Pete | he added. |
| Caprock Longhorms is to classify it | trailed by as many as four runs | Rodriguez, who saw the team's | With the win, the Whitefaces |
| with the Houston Rockets' first | early in the game, before finally | biggest win come on the heels of its | ed to 1-7 in district standings |
| BA championship - Unbeliev- | catching fire in the sixth and sev- | most disappointing setback -a 13-2 | 1 kept their hopes of earning a |
|  | gs | pitch: | live |
| Believe it | At the same time as the White- | ers has issued 13 walks. They've | with four games remaining on their |


\section*{Wild, Wild West Test} | 1997 schedule, Hereford trails cur- | and give the Herd a 1-0 edge. |
| :--- | :--- |
| rent second-place team Dumas by | Caprock, the viction of Hereford's |
| four games. |  |
| How big were the sixth and sev- | lone district win last year, got the |
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Lewis, Wilson shine in Local Tri-State HS Rodeo action By TOMMY WELLS Managing Editor
Monty Lewis and Redey wils Monty Lewis and Rodey Wilson
turned the Hereford Rodeo into their own personal playground this past weekend. And the rest of the Tri-State High School Rodeo Association was the worse for it. Lewis won half of the AllArowear the top in several events in the two rodeos, which were held at the B-S Indoor Arena, Wilson was equally impressive with his rope by helping win the calf roping even twice - with different partners. Carson for the all-around titte with 37 points, turned in strong performance in Saturday's rodeo appearance. He placed second in the Ribbon Roping event, third in the Calf Lazbuddie's Josh Morris to capture fourth in the Team Roping standings.
In the Ribbon Roping event, Lewis recorded a blazing time of
6.815 seconds. He dropped his calf in a time of 11.31 in the Calf Roping, and scored a mark of 7.111 in the team roping. boy Ty Boggeman won the Team boy Ty Boggeman won the Team
Roping title in grand fashion Saturday. The two horsemen bettered the-
mark of their closest competitor by mark of their closest competitor by better than a full second by tuming a time of 5.537 seconds. Canadian's B.J. Koch and Gruver's Randy
Maness placed second with a time of 6.585 .
Boggeman was far from through. He came back later in the day and teamed with Canyon's Blak
Williamson to finish third. Williamson to finish third. TJ. Good also finished well on
Saturday. He placed second in the Calf Roping competition. Curt See RODEO, Page 5


High school rodeo action was plentiful this past weekend in Hereford, as the Tri-State Rodeo Association held two events. (Top) Hereford's Shane Decker gets off to a quick start in Saturday's calf roping event. (Above) Lorettamp puts her horse through the barrels.



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munity Center. All boys, ages 13 -15, inter-
muntity Center. All boys, aleses 13-15, inter
osted in playing should sign up.

Rodriguez's homerlif
HOUSTON (AP) - A little elec- homer on Tuesday night. Although al Expos outfielder Henry
Rodriguezuez had a three-mun homer Tuesday night to help the Expos take a 7-5 victory over the Houston
Astros as Pedro Martinez allowed Astros as Pedro Martinez allowed first start since serving an eight-
game suspension.
The three-rin homer came in the
first inning when the Expos scored four runs off Chris Holt ( (1-1).
Rodriguez had told Martinez on Monday night he was going to hit a
homer on Tuesday night. Althou
he had not seen Holt pitch firs
hand this season, he had an elec hand this se "L saw him pitch against St Louis
on ESPN last week and he had a curve ball, changeup and fast ball, but $i t$ wasn't in the 90 s so 1 knew he
was going inside on me with three was going inside on me with those just waited for a pitch away and got a fast ball away." "Henry told me hé was going to go deep," Martinez said, "I couldn't
believe he did it but he did, "I told him it, but he did.

## Witt keys Rangers' 5-2 win over ChiSox

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - struck out two. Xavier Hemandez

Bobby Witt was almost a forgotten man when this season began. He's been pretty memorable ever since. Witt ran his season-long scoreless streak to 16 1-3 innings before uns Tuesday night, but the Texas Rangers still cruised to a $5-2$ victory over the sagging Chicago White
Witt (2-0) gave up 11 hits in 72 3 innings, but the first nine were
singles. He didn't walk anyone and

## WIN

- two aided by balk calls on Whiteface starter Arturo Nava - in
the third inning and pushed their cushion to $5-1$ heading into the sixth inning.
From the E A fuse that set off the Ambold lit the fuse that set off the Herd fireworks
show. After Joseph Artho had grounded out to short to start the inning, Anthony Lopez walked and was followed by a single from des ignated hitter Dustin Hill. Ambold, then, pulled Hereford to within 5-3 by chasing Rodriguez from the his
with a two-run double to center. Caprock's reliever found the roar even rockier. Michael Soria hit Nava with a pitch and then loaded the bases by issuing a walk to Jeremy Scott. Head followed by working Soria for another walk and an Andrew Ramirez drove home the game-tying run five pitches later
After taking the After taking the count full at 3-2
the Herd shorstop grounded into the Herd shortstop grounded into
sacrifice at second, scoring Nava. The Whiteface joy turned loom minutes later, however Caprock, courtesy of Hereford' lone error in the field, scored twice
in the bottom of the sixth and in the bottom of
"When we came in, nobody was down," said Rodriguez. "We had just scored four runs and I told them
why not foirr more. why not four more.

Down to their final three outs, the
Down to their final three outs, the
Whitefaces did better than that. Lopez led off the HHS seventh with a single to center. Hill fol lowed with a sharply hit grounder that handcuffed the Longhorns third baseman and put the tying ru
Ambold, who went 2 -for- 3 in the game with four RBI, came away with another clutch hit from there taking Soria's $2-1$ pitch deep fo another two-run double that tied th game at 7-7
"Eric had
Rodriguez sta very big hits for us, Rodriguez stated. "He gave us the
spark that we needed at the plate." spark that we needed at the plate."
Two batters later, Scott gave the Whitefaces the lead for good. He greeted Caprock's second reliever to center. Nathan Gavina followed with another two-run single.
Nava, who allowed just nine hits in the game, shut the Longhorns down in the bottom half of the sev-
enth to net his first win of the year as a starter.
The Longhorns, with the loss, fell to $3-3$ in loop play and to $10-11$ overall.
Herefo
Hereford is scheduled to make wack-to-back appearances again this weekend. The Herd travels and hon Friday for a $6: 30$ p.m. start, and hos.

## Dear Members, 1

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of HEREFORD TEXAS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION.

The meeting will be held on APRIL 22, 1997, at the HEREFORD COMMUNITY CENTER.
Registration will begin at $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. A meal, provided by The Hereford Pilot Club, will be served prior to the business meeting which will commence at $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. Three directors will be elected. The State Champion Lady Whiteface Volleyball Team will also be recognized.

> MMI Members of the Board and management look forward to greeting those members able to attend.


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## Page 6-The Hereford Brand, Wednesday, April 16, 1997

## Amarillo man looses life when 'little cabin' burns

By KRIS KBLLY
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## They would sove moreny orders.

 retumn to Mexico sooner.So at 14, Manuel an on a bus headed north a triend go but he was on his way.
In Tijuana, they were robbed o what little money they had. Manuel'
friend was beaten friend was beaten, Frightened and dejected, the pair America. Some shared their food with he young men; others scraped pgether enought money to buy them tacos: Maruels first day on American
soil was spent in iail. Immieration soil was spent in jail. Immigratio
officers caught his group climbin into a vali, locked them
deported them the next day
A week later, he crossed again and eventually hitched a ride to Los Angeles, where his brother picked him upand took him: to Pasco. Wash. join his family. After two woeks, his parents wer carcatening sto send him back. He
wasn'tearning Enggish fast enough, they complained.
a street," Manuel recalls. "I hass a steet, Manuel recalls. "I ha answered a phone, and my parents
wanted me toknow English." wanted me to know English."
When they moved to the Portland When they moved to the Portlan suburb of Cornelius a year later
Manuel could speak enough English
warmth. On Wednesday, LL, Marc
Lusk of AFP said he fire remained
under investigation. under investigation. had been living in the makeshif quarters for at least a year, said Bob The "cabin," constructed " plywood, two-by-fours and plastic, gas - yet it seemed to
"Maybe I m m interested in having Maybe Im interested in having
certain way - and he's not that


## Comics


way," LaRoche seid, "I kind of feel
LaRoche said he met Christoffer son after hiring him about 18 month ago as a day laborer.
"I did beffriend him, 1 guess," LaRoche said. "He was interesting.
He was well-read. He was He was well-read. He was an
Amarillocitizen just likeyouandme.
Heread the newspaper Heread the newspaper every day. He
hung at the library. He had an July. ${ }^{1}$ 'He'd been all over the world.

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Manuel became a U.S. citizen in 1994. His wife, Rosa, a Mexiconative legree, also is an American citizen While some Hispanies fear they' 11 lose their heritage by becoming Americans, Manuel and Rosa say they everything. "It was easier for me because I had my schoolmates and what situatio I'm a lucky person. It's very easy to appreciate it."
If anything held them back, the If anything held them back, the
couple say, it was resentment from fellow Hispanics.
Why someone's doing better, it's, 28. "'Instead of coming up, they try tobring us down. Even my family says To fellow Hispanics, Manuel offers Be open-minded. Learn the ogoo things that this country has to offer. It's OK to hold onto your traditions, Manuel has preserved many of his native traditions. He makes home-
made tortillas, speaks Spanish to his made tortillas, speaks Spanish to his
son, Brandon, and refers to his wife an Mama
He also retained one particular boyhood passion. He now owns a fleet of trucks, and whenever he goes
out on a job, he's always behind the out on
wheel.

He'd been to Singapore, Hong Kong, uneducated, illiterate person". an mother said. "Buathe had a problem Morse Morse-Froust of Votaw, near
Houston, said her firstborn son had an $1 Q$ in the genius range, but he was hyperactive and dyslexic, which ${ }^{\text {". } \mathrm{He}}$ him difficulty in school.
He didn't have an ability to oresee danger. He was so hyperac-
ive. He just had to be watched onstantly to avoid hurting himself," Chris
Christofferson served in the Navy USS Ention machinist's mate on the He achieved the and USS Coral Sea. He achieved the rate of petty officer
with alcohol. It secmed to behis way Christofferson enjoyed working as a roughneck and ranch hand, she said, and he eventually settled in
Amarillo. The moveonto LaRoche's property didn't happentimmediately "It's not like there was a decision. He knew the place was empty and he knew we owned it. Ho began going
there," LaRoche said. "I, of course. there, "LaRoche said, "I, of course,
knew that he was going there and approved of it, say? 'No, you can' what am I going to say? 'No, you can't goover there, ond
breathe the air and sit on the grass?"'

LaRoche, who owns Ruby Calico County Restaurant, said he restaurant equipment. He didn'tmind when Christoffer on built the lean-to against the home e said.
Howard Bilderback, a neighbor city of Amarillo, said the she probably violated building codes, bu it had not been inspected prior to the
In December, Christofferson mother came up to Amarillo. She located her son by asking through the
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Winners in area contest
Members of Hereford Toastmasters who were winners in the Area 3 Contest held recently inPlainview were, from left, Jigger Rowland, first in International Speech; Linda Minchew, second in International Speech; and Pat Varner, first in Tall Tales. They now advance to the Division Contest which will be held April 19 in Dumas. Other members attending the Area 3 Contest were Dan Hall, Sharon Cramer, Rick Jackson, Charles Minchew and Mike and Evelyn Morrison.

## Outreach project designed to assist Panhandle children with preventive medical, dental care

The Coalition of Health Services,
Inc. launched 2CARE for Kids, an Inc. launched 2CARE for Kids, an
outreach and educational project outreach and educational project
designed to assist the nearly 22,500 Medicaid-eligible children that live Min the Texas Panhandle, with medical and dental care.
is a non-profition organization formed is a non-profit organization formed counties of the Texas Panhhandle
establish medical and dental "homes estabish med
for families.
"Our goat is to provide health edducation arid connect these children
and their families to a medical and their families to a medical Provider and SL. Mary Family Health
provider who will monitor and Care Center.

By DANIEL Q. HANEY SAN DIEGO (AP) - For years,
cancer experts have been telling folks to eat fruits and vegetables. Now they are trying to answer the ne"
question: "Which ones?"
They are still far from having a
firm answer. But studies presented at a cancer conference this week suggest oranges and several other kinds of food, including tofu and spaghetti. Teasing out specifics about the
health effects of different health effects of different kinds of
foods is difficult, in part because it foods is difficult, in part because it
may take many years for a particular muytriant to have even a small effect
nut on health.
However
However, scientists are trying.
And tomatoes appear to be the food

## To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My upper ip swells up at least once or twice a histamines and the combine of ant onth in the same exact area. It
stays swollen for about 19 hours. I
cimetidine antihistamine coupled with ave taken allergy pills. They do not help. - J.B.
ANSWER: You haveangioneurotic you might turn to cortisone drugs,
dema. It's like beneath-the-skin hives.
It's not the least bit unusual for which are big-league players, not to
be used for minor symptoms. It's not the least bit unusual for ngioneurotic edema to recur in same spot, imealter cime. cuss for
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are the causes for hives. Tracking are the causes for hives. Tracking ften frustrating exercise. Can you member what you ate, what medi-
ine you took or any change in your cine you took or any change in your
usual routine in the 24 hours before your lip swelled? Be on the lookout or the usual suspects, in
hellfish and aspirin.
If the cause search is fruitless, anThistamine pills often can control he swelling. I know you had little uck with them in the past, but now
there is a slew of new ones. Zyrtec is an example.
The combination drug route is an cher option that could prove sucantion I have in mind are antithista-
mines and cimetidine, which halts tomach-acid production. Thats not
of the moment.
Last year, Harvard researchers servings a week of tomato-based han usual to develorentess likel Noone knows why, but it could be because tomatoes are the primary source in the diet of a nutrient called Ucopene. Now a team from Columbia University has preliminary evidence or smokers. Dr. Jean G. Ford and others looked
at levels of various vitamins and levels of various vitamins and othe nultients in the blood of 204 people, found concentrations of lycopen ere was significans of lycopene Ang cancer victims.At taking smoking into account
however. It is a close relative of anti-
histamines, and the combination of a cegular antihistamine coupled with
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If the swell you might turn to cortisone drugs,
which are big-league players, not to e used for minor symptoms.
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ANSWEEP Thermal sigh ANSWER: The back two-thirds of your eye is filled with a gel called "the
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Cancer experts now say tomatoes appear to be 'looking good' as cancer preventers
coordinate their health care," said ally Carmen, director With more than 70 medical an dental providers in the area deliverin hese essential services under the Texas.Medicaid program, the Coalition expects this network to
serve more than 22,000 children Providers in Deaf Smith County include Dr. Stan Fry, Dr. Charles Hennessey, Dr. Bruce Clarke, Dr Rodney Potson, Hereford Healt MedicalClinic, South Plains Health Care Center.
"The main focus is on prevention, Carmen continued. "By working with various hospital districts in the
Panhandle, we have been able to establish wellness programs for women and children in more than 30 communities. We teach disease
prevention, spreading the message prevention, spreading the message
about the need to have medical and dental exams early, before serious For problems occur. For example, by the time a child
is 2 years old, only $\$ 250$ is spent well-child exams and immunizations. This compares with the $\$ 250,000$ that it will cost to chronically treat a child
for complications caused just from
hey found that those with low level
of ycopene have triple the cancer risk
of those with high levels. The association was especially strong in people currently smoking. The lower Fancer risk. evels might be a result, rather than acause, of lung cancer. Nevertheless to be proven - that this nutrient might somehow help protect smokers from he cancerous effects of cigarettes. raises questions about reprt, bu here are dietary risk factors that we need to take a closer look at for lung ancer," Ford said.
Among other reports on the effects of food released Sunday at the
American Association for Cancer Research meeting:
-Animal studies -Animal studies suggest that
orange juice protects lab animals orange juice protects lab animals
from cancer. In an effort to find out why this might be, Dr. Najla Guthrie and others from the University of he bitter stuff in limes, lemons, grapefruit and oranges. They found
hat a particular limonoid called nomilin was an especially powerful nhibitor of cancer in the test tube.
-Dr. Rashmi Sinha of the Nationa Cancer Institute looked for links between meat consumption and lung
cancer in 1,216 women in Missouri Cancer in 1,216 women in Missouri
Women who ate a lot of red meat Wemen who ate a lot of red meat
were wice as likely as those who had it sparingly to get lung cancer, but ish and chicken had no apparent ffect on risk.
ave tradititionally had relatively low tave uraditionally had relatively low
risk of colon cancer, and some onder whether pasta might be the reason. In a study at the University
of Florence, Dr. Giovanna Caderni compared the effects of sugar and pasta in rats. She found that of geteting precancerous polyps. getting precancerous polyps.
-People with high intake of tofu and other foods made from soybeans
also seem less likely to get some also seem less likely to get some kinds of cancer. To test this, Dr.
Jin-Rong Zhou from Beth Israel-Deaconess Medical Center in Boston fed
con soy concentrate to mice with bladder cancer. He found their tumors were have been expected.
adequate nutrition that could be Maria Smith, directical check-u Maria Smith, director of 2CAR work closely with agencies that nteract with these children and their amilies such as schools, county extension agents, pharmacies,
churches, day care centers and state agencies that make sure all Texas Health Step families are able to access the system.
promotion events that whilf conincide as prenatal heareness months such prevention," Smith said. "And every child who comes uthrough the program 2CARE for Kids is a project funded by the Texas Health Steps Health. The Coalition of Healt Services assisis families in locating medical and dental providers scheduling appointments, arranging or needed services.
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> Keynote speaker, Dr. Henry
Foster, founder of the "I Have a Future" teen pregnancy, reduction
program, will present "America's
Children at Risk."
> Children at Risk,"
With almost 40 years of health care service, Dr Dr . Pearster is is at he
forefront of leading America to a healthy future. His "I Have a Future" program is designed to help youth
realize academic and career goals, achieve positive self-esteem, learn
appropriate social skills and have healthier behaviors.
> Is teenage pregnancy in the Texas According to the latest Texas Bureau of Vital Statistics 1995, Texas is rated fourth highest among all states in the nation in teen birth rate, ages 15-17.
Some Panhandle counties have the highest birth rates per capita in the entire state. In 1995, 10.3 percent of total live births within Deaf Smith County were to teen mothers, ages
13-17. With teenage pregnancy comes significant health problems, effecting mother, child and the ommunity at large. Some concerning acts:
> *Teenage mothers are twice as
likely to have low birth weight
$\qquad$ dollars for child deliveries Approximately $\$ 118$ million ( $26.5 \%$ ) tax dollars were spend on teen deliveries. It cost the state an estimated
$\$ 9,943$ in the first year to provide
AFDC, Food Stamps and Medicaid AFDC, Food Stamps and Medicaid
benefits to an eligible mother after the birth of her child. Approximately
$\$ 6,987$ of this cost was for delivery and newborn care.
$*$ Nearly 75 percent of all unwed Neenage mothers will receive welfare assistance within four years of giving birth. Texas spends approximately
$\$ 33.5$ million in AFDC payments for ${ }^{*}$ Fe mothers and their children. and 33 percencent of Texas mothers children under the age of 6 have not inished high school, Pregnancy or marriage is one of the three leading
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Survivors gather at memorial for disaster

By JOAN THOMPSON TEXsociated Press Writer Georgybel Legendre remembers Outside in the parking lot, cars piece of steel had pierced. Alarge pinning it to the ground like a The 21-year-old lab worker ungged it out and began ferrying injured Pcopicat was 50 years ago today in
what was to become the nation's worst industrial disaster.
"I grew up in a hurry that day," Legendre said. "I think you have to get you through days like that." This morring, she and other survivors were among about 4,000
people who gathered ata high school people whogatiered at a high school
football stadium for a memorial service tomark the for a memorial
othniversary of the disaster that tilled at least 576
and iniured about 5000 and injured about 5.000 .
At 9:12 a.m. On April 16, 1947, a camp, a French freighter, ignited its
cargo of 2,300 tons of ammonium cargo of 2,300 tons of ammonium
nitrate fertilizer. nitrate fertulizer.
This morning at $9: 12$, under blue
skies and a few wispy clouds on a day skies and a few wispy clouds on a day
not unlike that Wednesday half a century ago, there was a moment a
silence, then a single bell began silence,
tolling.
"It's been a hard week," saic Mattie Lou Higgs, wiping her eyes. a greatdaughter at her side.
Her husband, Marion Do Her husband, Marion Donnis
Westermoreland, was one of 27 firemen killed in the blast. The ammonium nitrate was the
same substance used in the Oklahoma same substance used in the Oklahoma
City bombing. Howere, in 1947, the fertilizer was bound for Europe to
help farmers recover from World War hi.
Investigators would theorize that
a discarded cigarette caused the fire a discarded cigarette caused the fire
that burned the 100 -pound paper bags
of fertilizer. of fertilizer.
explosions and fires in the huge petrochemical complex of the
Galveston Bay city southeast of Houston.
Windows were broken up to 25 miles away. Two small airplanes were
blown out of the sky. A huge $15-\mathrm{foot}$ tidal wave tossed a 150 -foot-long barge 200 feet away onto land.
Chunks of steel, like those that Chunks of steel, like those tha on the town of about 17,000. Monsanto Chemical Co., where
Legendre and her father worked, experienced the greatest loss. Some killed 27 employes and contractors were The S.S. High Flyer, another
nearby
freighter loaded with ammonium nitrate, caught fire and up 16 hours after the Gra
The remains of 63 people never
were identified and were buried in a were identified and were buried in grad been swall at the edged up without a For six weeks, it seemed like that
would be would be the fate of Legendre's
She and her mother repeatedly visited the morgues. On long,
sleepless nights, they drove around each day. "You just have to take what life


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 as volunteers or sent food, clothing "People came in to help that just came in and did it.
The aging survivors, who have a
bond similar to combat unit veterans bond similar to combat unit veterans,
also will get to tell their stories, says alco will get to tell their stories, says
Charles T. Doyle, mayor of the city that now is home to about 42,000
people. people. In the
it and see some film of it read about it and see some film of it but we
won't really have those storytellers around," Doyle said. "They experienced aterible said. "They and they survived, and they survived
withalotof help from a lot of people," Today has been declared a local
holiday. The 470 city workers get the holiday.
day off.
". They
wasn't for the survivors who stuck it wasn tior the survivors who stuc
out and rebuilt," Doyle said.
Ministers preach from the about courage, faith and love of humanity, but the people of Texas City and those who came to their aid put
those qualities into action in 1947, Doyle said. ever given by all those who experienced that tragedy," he said. "They showed
their courage, showed the faith they had in almighty God."


## Science fair winners

Whitnee Goforth, left, and Tyler Keeling of Nazarene Christian Academy placed in the Regional Science Fair at San Jacinto Christian Academy in Amarillo. Goforth won the 7th-8th grade overall life science division, and Keeling won the 5th-6th grade overall physical science division. The students scored superior in the District Science Fair to qualify for the Regional Science Fair.

## ply, not only in Idano country," Smith said. <br> ountry," Smith said.

ersisting depression in the potato market has Idaho growers on edge as dhey make their crop plans for 1997.
Potatoes held in storage from 1996 are bringing as litule as 30 cents per hundred pounds. Even the biggest and
best potatoes are sell ing for less than 2 a hundredweight.
But Dave Smith, president of the is not betting is not betting those conditions will acreage. I don't see a lot of people "Borking spud ground," Smith said. "But we in Idaho make a mistake if we publicize the fact that we're
cutting back acreage."
Still, Smith believes pessimism
characterizes he
characterizes the mood of those who
grow Idaho's largest cash crop grow Idaho's largest cash crop. A
yearago, potatoes were selling at $\$ 6$ $\$ 8$ and even $\$ 10$ a hundredweight. hen prices began sliding in May and spurred mainly by fear of a big fall, And it was the biggest ever. And it was the biggest ever.
"There's a tremendous oversup
down potato planting and farmers ent to wheat, bariey and hay, which ar, prices. In northem Maine, f unsold potatoes are sitting in rot, they could cause diseases threatening future crops. Mostof the potatoes are still marketable, but
officials estimate that as much as 500 million pounds will have to be isposed of this spring. The problem is that potato farmers generally can't afford to dispose of
the excess and there is no government noney to help It costs Maine farmers $\$ 6$ to produce 100 pounds of potatoes,
which now are selling for $\$ 1.80$ hich now are selling for $\$ 1.80$,
compared with $\$ 8$ or $\$ 9$ a year ago
Dave Dave Beesley, president of the Idaho Potato Farmers Association, worked through the winter to
organize a grower cooperative that organize a grower cooperative that
could control enough of the crop to have some bargaining power that have some bargaining power that
would force up prices at least
mewhat. That becomes especiaily They re marking up potatoes the way mportant in light of the comparative-
Showing off their maps
The National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) of Hereford Paetzold, Ryan Artho; the second place team of Brandi Goyne presented a class on surveying to St. Anthony's School students Josh Fetsch, Melissa Stubbs, Tyson Yosten, Jerrot Ferguson; in recognition of National Library Week. Pictured are the first and the third place team of Wendy Briones, Will Johnson, place team of Tim Schlabs, Marcus Smith, Jaclyn Paschel, Allyson Stephanie Briones, Desiree Aquirre and Jamie Gerber.

## Potato market has growers on edge

 yhigh price consumers are paying Short of organizing, there is little orpotatoes.As brutal as this is for farmers, growers can do about the spread
between the farm and retail prices of here's folks out there making potatoes, says Agricultural Extensi noney," Beesley said. "It's not the economist Paul Patterson packers. The brokers are getting a cut The farmers' biggest . But the real profit is in the produce operating in an economic system tha

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Oscar nominations for their roles in Oscar nominations for their roles in
the Joel and Ethan Coen movie: Both are alumni of litle Bethany College. calm, pregnant Sheriff Marge Gunderson, has been nominated for best actress. Macy has been nominat-
ed for best supporting actor for ed for best supporting actor for
playing Minneapolis car dealer Jerry playdegaard.
Ms. McDormand came to the Brooke County school from
Pennsylvania in 1975 and graduated in 1999. She won leading roles in Three Sisters."

Macy of Cumberland, Md., came
to Bethany in 1968. He soon fell in to Bethany in 1968. He soon fell in
love with theater and gave up plans for a veterinary degree. He left in 1970 to join a Washington, D.C., production of "Jesus Christ
Superstar."
"When Iacted was the only time I felt I was achieving success," he said, "Besides, the theater women
were much better looking."
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