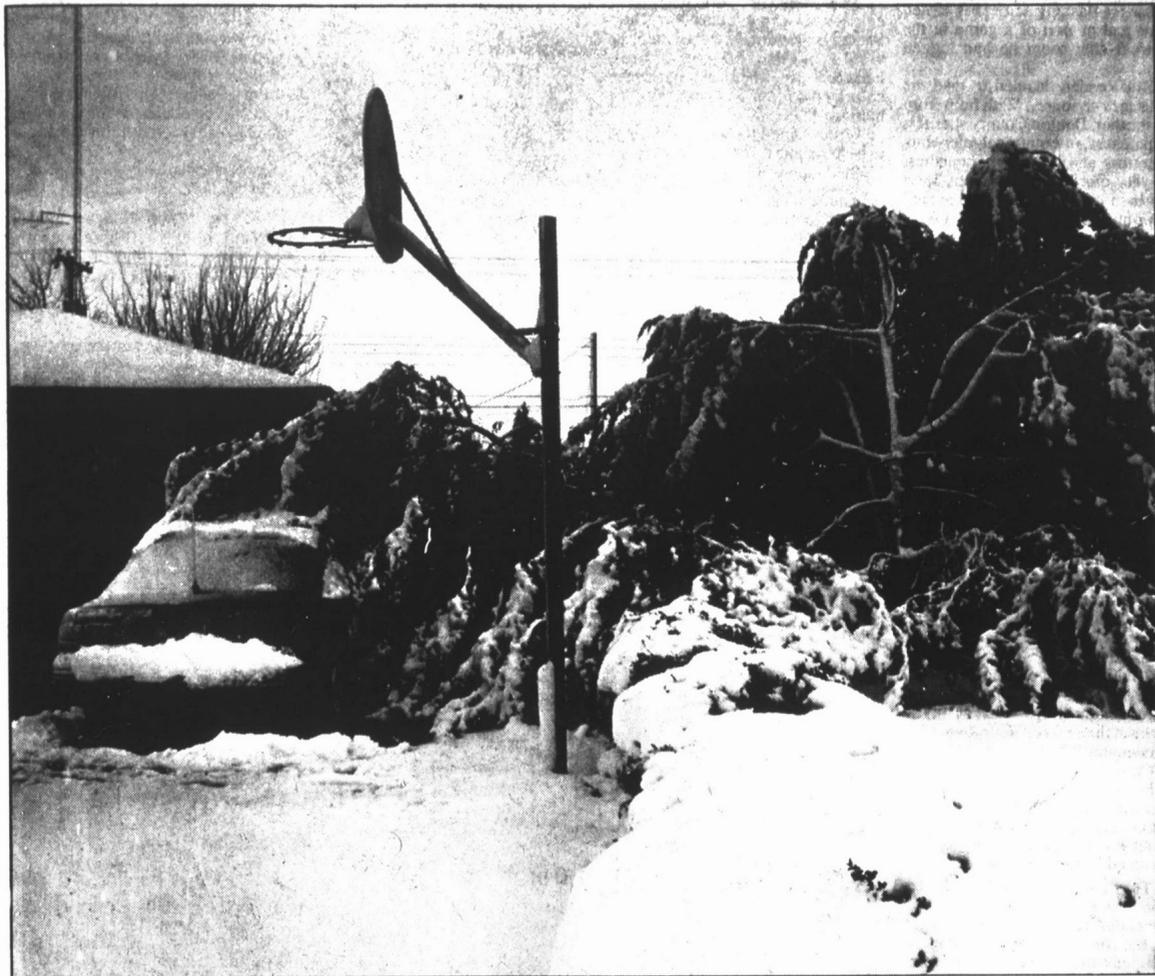


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Snow business

The late April cold front that blew in Friday spelled disaster for the resident at 523 Westhaven. The weight caused the tree adjoining his driveway to split and come down on top of the vehicle. The western part of the Panhandle received over six inches of snow, according to reports. The weather is supposed to warm up over the next few days, however.

OKC Bombing Trial Grieving mother's testimony brings jurors to tears

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN
Associated Press Writer

DENVER (AP) - In wrenching testimony that brought two jurors to tears, a mother sobbed Friday as she described how Oklahoma City bombing rescuers carried out dead children as she anxiously waited for her son.

"They started bringing our babies out in those sheets and they laid them by my feet," said Helena Garrett, who ran to the federal building's day care center after the bombing. "They started making a line of them."

Then came out more dead children, wrapped in sheets and placed on the ground atop broken glass.

"I said, 'You guys don't leave our babies on the glass. We don't want our babies on the glass,'" she said. "I didn't realize that those babies they were lying down was already dead."

Her own 16-month-old boy, Tevin Garrett, was later found among the dead. She said he was identified by a fingerprint sample lifted from a mirror that he used to look at and kiss.

A woman juror cried into a blue tissue. A man on the panel soon joined her in tears. At a break, two women prosecutors were weeping in the hallway.

Timothy McVeigh, who could face the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy in the

April 19, 1995, bombing, showed no emotion. He sat at the defense table with his hand on his chin covering his mouth.

In a picture of horror, pain and courage, nine bombing survivors and rescuers recounted how a typical day turned into a swirl of flying glass, blood and screams. The bombing tore apart the nine-story building, killing 168 people and injuring hundreds more.

There was testimony of acts of heroism, small and large: a TV cameraman who gave coats to a shivering couple looking frantically for their baby - who was later found dead - rescuers freeing dust-covered babies from the rubble, a female office worker who carried a badly injured man down eight flights of stairs to safety.

One gripping story came from a former Marine Corps recruiter who told how he walked past the parked Ryder truck on his way into the building and the bomb blew up soon after he got to his sixth-floor office.

With a chunk of glass in his head, he stumbled down a debris-strewn stairwell.

"All I remember is following the blood trail from somebody before me. That was like the yam leading me out of there," said Michael R. Norfleet, a decorated flyer during

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Missing armaments found abandoned in small Texas town

DALLAS (AP) - A truck driver and the four dummy Air Force missiles he had been carrying were found 300 miles apart on Friday. The man reportedly didn't know what he was carrying and dumped it when his contractor refused to pay him more money.

The driver, Ronald D. Coy of Middletown, Ohio, put up no resistance and was unarmed when he was found at a truck stop in the town of Orange near the Louisiana line, FBI agent Robert Loosle said.

Coy, 42, was arrested and charged with wire fraud. He was due to be arraigned Saturday before a federal magistrate in Beaumont.

The Houston Chronicle, citing unnamed

sources familiar with the search, reported Saturday that Coy spent all his cash during the trip, then called his transportation company seeking more money.

He dropped the cargo when they refused, apparently unaware of what he was hauling and hoping to find another cargo elsewhere, the sources said.

The Middletown (Ohio) Journal reported that Barbara Coy, the driver's wife, indicated her husband had financial problems when she filed a missing persons report on him Jan. 11.

In the report, Mrs. Coy said he took \$17,000 in cash advances from a credit card account during a short period of time, leav-

ing her with \$230 in the bank.

Mrs. Coy said she filed the report nine days after he left town and six days after he left a message on their answering machine that said, "In case you were wondering, I really do love you, but I am in over my head."

"I just couldn't imagine what had happened," she said. "There was just nothing wrong when he left."

The Air Force said the TGM-130 guided missiles weren't equipped with working warheads or explosives and posed no risk to the public. The devices, each worth about \$150,000, carry infrared and laser guidance equipment allowing pilots to fly attack pat-

terns and get computerized data.

The missiles were recovered in Ranger, 110 miles west of Dallas. "We believe the crates are still sealed and intact," said Air Force spokesman Maj. Rob Koon.

The containers, marked "transformer," had been left at a fenced-in lumber yard Wednesday, Ranger Police Chief Don Enix said. "The truck driver told them he had bald tires and that the floor of his trailer had some problems, so he had to get that fixed," he said.

The missiles had been picked up at a Boeing plant in Duluth, Ga., and were supposed to be taken to Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, N.M., for use in air defense exer-

cises.

Authorities initially said the vehicle had a tracking beacon and was being monitored by satellite until it vanished from computer screens Thursday. Loosle told the Chronicle that wasn't the case - it had no tracking system. The search instead was triggered after the cargo was late to New Mexico.

Standard military practice is to place tracking equipment on trucks carrying weapons and other sensitive equipment. Once a vehicle has been missing for four hours, trackers call state police.

Coy's commercial driver's license was suspended indefinitely in March because of an unspecified violation in another state.

House gives it approval to new property tax bill

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas House debated into early Saturday morning without voting on proposed sweeping changes to the state's property tax rates.

The plan could cut the taxes by about 50 percent, while raising and expanding a host of state taxes to pay for those cuts.

On Friday, lawmakers agreed to reduce a proposed tax on auto repair services. Currently, only auto parts are subject to the tax.

Rep. Norma Chavez, D-El Paso, said people need to get basic services, like oil changes and tune-ups, to get to their jobs and to prevent further pollution.

She pushed through a change to the plan exempting the first \$100 in auto repair services from the sales tax.

"That is the most regressive tax item in today's world. You can't go

anywhere without a car," she said.

Architects of the overall plan fought off most attempts to chip away at the plan, which would cut local and state taxes overall by 2 percent for most Texans. Wealthier residents would save more and middle-class Texans would save less.

Lawmakers concerned with various state tax expansions, from new businesses taxes on partnerships to sales taxes on warehousing services, struggled with little success to limit the impact of the tax changes.

One proposal added to the measure would impose a 10 percent gross receipt tax on sexually oriented businesses. The tax would raise \$30 million every two years.

"(This industry) imposes social costs on our society," said Rep. Ron Clark, R-Sherman, sponsor of the change.

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Warm weather to return Monday

Moisture was definitely in the air Friday and Saturday in the upper Panhandle region.

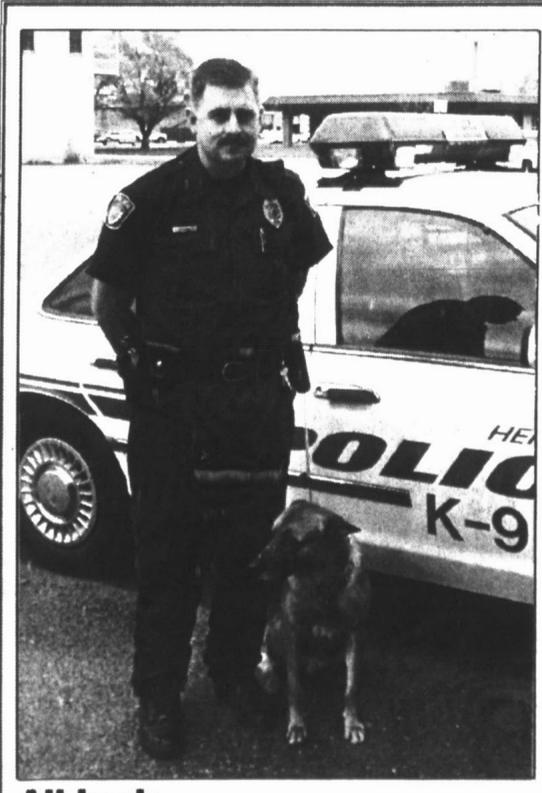
Guess what? It, according to the National Weather Service, probably going to be here Sunday as well, blanketing the area's farms with much needed water.

Thunderstorms continued to pound the West Texas region Saturday and more rain was expected Sunday. Possible flash flooding

could be seen in the North Texas area early Sunday, weather officials warned.

Residents in South Texas were under flooding watching most of Saturday.

A high of 60 to 65 was forecast for Sunday with a northeast wind of 10 to 15 miles per hour. Dry weather is in forecast for Monday through Wednesday with lows in the mid-40s and highs in the 70s.



All bark

Hereford K-9 officers Dale Ellis and Ricky recently placed second out of 13 teams in the annual recertification exams in Canyon. Ricky, a Belgian Malinois, has been with the HPD force for three years.

Dog-gone good HPD K-9 team takes second place at certification seminar

By TOMMY WELLS
Managing Editor

Dale Ellis' partner on the Hereford Police Department is typical of any other partner in many ways. He rides patrol with him, sniffs and coughs occasionally, and he's generally a good listener.

Unlike other partners, however, Ellis' Partner doesn't wear a police uniform. And he doesn't have a last name. That's because Ellis' partner for the past three years has been a dog - or K-9 Officer.

A mighty good dog. The Hereford Police Department duo proved their merit recently when they took second in the National United States Police Canine Association certification exams. The two were among 13 West Texas K-9 teams taking part in the three-day event, which was held in Canyon. The HPD duo scored a 197.7 of 200 possible points.

"The competition there is pretty stiff," said Ellis, who along with Ricky are members of District 2 of the United States Police Canine Association. "We would have liked to finish first, but we're pretty happy to be second."

K-9 teams, under guidelines set by the NUSPCA, must be recertified each year in order to stay

active.

"The whole purpose of the certification is so the courts can have confidence in the dog's ability," said Ellis. "If you meet the standards there, they put their stamp of approval on him."

Ricky, a six-year-old Belgian Malinois who has certified three straight years, was put through several extensive tests at the certification exam, including searches of buildings and vehicles for the presence of controlled substances.

Ellis and his partner are closer than most teams - in the sense that his partner lives with him.

"He's part of the family," said Ellis, who has to speak to Ricky in his native Dutch language. "Anytime that I'm at work he's with me. My patrol car has been converted for him."

Ricky, which was originally purchased mutually by the Hereford Police Department and the Hereford Independent School District, was born and raised in Holland, and does not understand English.

It was money well spent. Ellis, who had to attend an 80-hour course in Shreveport, La., to be part of the program, said Ricky had revealed numerous crimes in town that may have otherwise gone unnoticed.

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GTE to move its headquarters, 650 jobs from Connecticut to Texas

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) - GTE Corp., a telecommunications giant that helped build Stamford into a Fortune 500 center, is moving its headquarters to Dallas, costing the region 650 jobs, the company announced Friday.

GTE currently employs about 600 workers at its corporate headquarters in downtown Stamford and another 50 employees at a company training center in Norwalk.

Company spokesman Harvey Greisman said it is still unclear how many of those employees would be offered transfers to Dallas. But it is clear that some of those jobs will be lost through consolidation, Greisman said.

In a prepared statement, GTE Chairman and CEO Charles R. Lee said increased competition in the telecommunications industry made it essential for GTE to centralize company functions. The company decided to move its corporate headquarters to the greater Dallas area because its largest business - Telephone Operations - is there, along with its Directories business and a total of 9,000 employees.

"It just made sense to combine the staffs," Greisman said. "It's not a matter of incentives here. It was really a matter of co-locating key management and staff functions in one place to support our business units."

Texas Gov. George W. Bush welcomed GTE to his state.

"I know the employees of GTE will find Texas to be a great place to raise their families and realize their dreams," Bush said in a statement. "This move, coming on the heels of corporate relocations by Blockbuster and Union Pacific, is another example of Texas' economic health and outstanding business environment."

GTE relocated its headquarters to Stamford from New York City in 1973. Its move helped draw other Fortune 500 companies to Stamford, which grew into a corporate center during the 1970s and '80s. The city is now home to 15 Fortune 500 companies.

Business leaders said GTE's move - although it means the loss of a marquee name - will not be a devastating blow to Stamford. The city is in the midst of an unprecedented building boom and has the lowest unemployment rate in the state at 2.8 percent. Swiss Bank Corp. is currently building its new \$100 million North American headquarters

in Stamford, which is expected to bring about 2,000 jobs here.

"We will see the disruption of change for the people of GTE, but it's not a large economic event for the

city of Stamford," said Christopher Bruhl, president and chief executive officer of the Southwestern Area Commerce & Industry Association.



Class 1 category soloists

The following Hereford High School students received 1st division ratings in the Class 1 categories of solos. Pictured, front row from left, are Isabel Sanchez, John Rodriguez, Lisa Coneway and Anna Delgado; back row from left, Jay Harrell, Katie Bone, Karen Smith and Crissy Barrick.

A-10 pilot was in plane when it crashed in Colorado mountain

EAGLE, Colo. (AP) - The Air Force said Friday it found body parts among the wreckage of an A-10 warplane, indicating the pilot was in

the cockpit when it crashed into a mountain.

"What we found was fragmentary human remains," Maj. Gen. Nels Running said. "We are not positive whose human remains they are."

A military lab will conduct DNA and other tests to determine if the remains are those of Capt. Craig Button, Running said.

The announcement culminated a three-week search for Button's plane

after he veered away during a training run on April 2.

The Air Force took advantage of improved weather at the site on Friday and lowered three special operations sergeants by cable from a helicopter to recover the remains. The procedure took about an hour.

Winds and rugged terrain in the snowy Rocky Mountains have made the search for remains and wreckage difficult.

Four 500-pound bombs on the aircraft have not been seen, Running said. After the snow melts, searchers will be sent to "locate and neutralize" the bombs, he said.

Moments before boarding a TH-53 helicopter, Tech Sgt. Ishmael Antonio disclosed aerial photos had revealed what appeared to be Button's "life support equipment" in a gorge on Gold Dust Peak.

Officials said that was a good indicator that Button had gone down with the plane when it crashed. His mysterious departure from a formation of A-10s during a training mission over Arizona raised questions about his intentions and condition during the flight.

Hundreds of flights were flown in the attempt to find the wreckage.

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In shadow of sister city, smaller ND town says it's suffering, too

EAST GRAND FORKS, Minn. (AP) - They share the river, jobs, Catfish Days and parks, and sometimes even cover for each other on police calls.

But when the Red River overwhelmed both East Grand Forks and the larger Grand Forks in North Dakota, the latter seemed to get all the attention.

That has left the little sister feeling forgotten and slighted.

"Everyone's just furious," said East Grand Forks evacuee Toni Swann, barefoot and sprawled on a cot in a dimly lit gymnasium in nearby Crookston.

Indeed, when evacuees gathered to catch a glimpse of the devastation on hotel televisions, they saw homes in Grand Forks - not East Grand Forks.

When President Clinton came to console and encourage flood victims, he visited a shelter in Grand Forks - not East Grand Forks.

And when the national media gathered for one of the first big news conferences about the flooding, more than half of them left after the microphone was turned over to a congressman representing East Grand Forks.

OK, so Grand Forks has 50,000 people and there are only 9,000 in East Grand Forks. But heck, the people of East Grand Forks just want to tell their story. Like the dust-speck-dwelling Whos of Dr. Seuss, they're shouting "We are here!"

"The media could equal it out just a little more," said Jeff King, 17.

Polite Minnesotans do not really want to begrudge their neighbors anything. Apart from some good-natured rivalry between Little League teams, the two consider themselves one community.

"We say the river brings us together, even though it's separating us now," said East Grand Forks Mayor Lynn Stauss.

Nearly all the residents from both cities had to leave their homes last weekend with just a suitcase or two. The damage is too great to tally yet, as toys, picnic tables and other items float in the bloated brown river.

The East Grand Forks evacuation was the single largest to result from the flooding in Minnesota.

"A lot of people aren't even aware that Minnesota's flooded, but East Grand Forks is in worse shape," said

Rep. Collin Peterson, D-Minn., whose district covers the northwestern part of the state.

The river was at 52.62 feet Friday afternoon, 24.62 feet above flood stage. It crested at slightly over 54 feet Monday.

Some residents of Grand Forks were allowed to return to their homes briefly for a second day Friday to inspect the damage and gather cherished items. Evacuees from East Grand Forks will have to wait for their first visits Saturday.

The two cities have longstanding ties. Families and friends bridge both sides of the river, and people go back and forth to jobs on either side.

At a meeting of townspeople Wednesday, one of the main questions was: When will bridges across the river be reopened? And when that happens, will the folks of the Forks feel differently about each other?



Signing in

Edith Higgins signs the guest book during the recent 4th anniversary open house for Hereford Care Center. Looking on are Higgins' daughter, Loretta Stovall of Amarillo and Cindy Sublett, right, hostess for the reception.

Mesquite officer fired for role in suspect's beating

MESQUITE, Texas (AP) - A police tactical officer fired after he was accused of excessive force against the brother of a bank robbery suspect says he will appeal.

David Clay Bain was fired Thursday by Mesquite Police Chief Harmon Ivie.

James Beasley, 56, was injured when police arrested him on March 28. Officers apparently mistook him for his brother, Charles Beasley, who was wanted in connection with the robbery of a Mesquite bank the day before.

James Beasley said officers who confronted him at his home near Lively in Kaufman County held him down, kicked him and hit him in the face with a rifle butt.

Bain, 32, was immediately removed from the tactical team and was placed on administrative assignment the next day. He denies wrongdoing and plans to appeal the termination, his attorney David Martin said.

"There wasn't any excessive force," said Martin. "Clay is going to be exonerated, and we are going to fight it tooth and nail."

Martin said the Mesquite police are using Bain as a scapegoat.

Police internal affairs officers concluded Thursday that no other officer used unnecessary force.

One police official tampered with witness statements by coercing,

intimidating and threatening two officers into changing their statements about the incident, Martin said.

"The threat was, 'Your career is in jeopardy, and your position on the SWAT team is in jeopardy,'" said Martin, adding that he has copies of the officers' original and edited statements.

"They took out the part where they said that Officer Bain acted in accordance with training and procedures," he said.

Mike Gillett, a Dallas County assistant district attorney, confirmed Thursday that two officers have contacted his office about the tampering allegations.

"If any type of criminal offense occurred in Dallas County regarding the procurement of their statements, that will be something our office would address," Gillett said.

A grand jury will review the case next month, said Kaufman County Criminal District Attorney Bill Conrath. The FBI was also expected to review the evidence.

Conrath's office has subpoenaed 15 Mesquite officers and any records they have concerning the incident.

"There is no doubt that Mr. Beasley was injured," said Conrath. "It just depends on the circumstances surrounding how he was injured as to whether or not criminal charges would be filed."

Amarillo gets record amount of snow

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) - After seeing virtually no precipitation last spring, another day of rain and snow Friday pushed Amarillo past two long-standing weather records.

The 6.4 inches of snow that fell was the most ever recorded in Amarillo in a 24-hour period in April. The total precipitation of 4.49 inches that had fallen by Friday afternoon was the most since 5.47 inches in 1900.

Forecasters warning West Texans of a long-standing drought are eating - or drinking - their words.

"That just says the longer you forecast out, the more in danger you are of not hitting your forecast," said National Weather Service meteorologist Christine Lopez, who has observed Panhandle weather for 11 years.

Even as dusk fell, Ms. Lopez said about 4 inches of snow remained on grassy areas and drivers were battling slushy roads.

A record 32-degree low and cold weather throughout the day helped the snow stick around.

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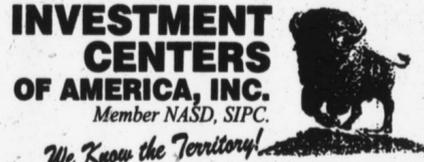
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23-month-old's five-day fight for survival haunts authorities

WOODRIDGE, Ill. (AP) - A 23-month-old boy left alone for five days after his mother was sent to a mental health clinic wolfed down bread, beef and ice cream to stay alive.

Police only found him on their third visit to the apartment. Mental health officials promised an investigation into why they didn't learn of the boy from his mother. "It's bad and it's sad," Police

Chief Geoffrey Korous said Friday as authorities began to investigate the child's ordeal.

The boy's 29-year-old mother was picked up April 19 in a drug store parking lot near Woodridge, about 20 miles southwest of Chicago. Police said she was incoherent and throwing things.

She was taken to Elgin Mental Health Center and committed. Police said they did not know about the boy, who remained alone at the apartment.

His mother's car, left behind at the parking lot, contained a telltale toddler's seat but police said they were unable to follow up because they couldn't get an address.

Officers investigated the home two straight days because of noise complaints but did not enter because they lacked permission and the door was locked, Korous said.

Hours after the second complaint Thursday, the boy's grandfather

called the apartment manager with worries about his grandson's whereabouts. Police returned and entered through a patio door.

Authorities said the boy was in good health, and he has been turned over to his grandparents.

Illinois Mental Health Department spokeswoman Jo Warfield said anyone committed to a state mental hospital is first screened - in this case by the DuPage County Health Department.

She said the screening includes questions about children and whether arrangements have been made for their care.

"Why it didn't work this time is something that we're going to have to investigate to determine," she said.

Dr. David McNutt, executive director of the county health agency, had no comment. Korous said he was told the woman was incoherent at the time she was screened.



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Serial rapist may be preying on women on campuses

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) - Four women have been raped and two others sexually assaulted on college campuses in four Midwestern states, and police suspect the attacks are the work of the same person: a man who likes to spit on his victims, question them about their sex lives and ask them to pray for him.

The attacks took place in February and March, on campuses 10 minutes to six hours apart.

The rapes have led schools to step up security and have unnerved students and faculty members with the idea that a rapist is targeting women working alone in computer labs and music rooms.

"It is a terrifying thought to me that college campuses would be the preying grounds for a serial rapist," said Heidi Hess, 30, who quit her job as a part-time journalist and business teacher after she was raped on March 5.

Ms. Hess was chatting on the Internet alone one night in a computer lab at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, a campus where she had worked and studied for 10 years without fear. She heard rapid footsteps behind her. A man in a ski mask grabbed her, threw her to the floor and raped her.

Ms. Hess - who decided to speak publicly because "people need to know it happens to people we know" - said her attacker talked through the whole ordeal.

"He threatened me and he asked a lot of questions about my sexual past," she said, declining to give any other specifics.

Police investigating the other attacks in Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin began to link the cases because the attacker used similar language and spoke as if he were educated. He also used a ski mask or covered his victims' heads with a knit cap, although one of the women was able to see her attacker, police said.

DNA evidence has provided a

solid link between attacks in Nebraska and Iowa, Lincoln Police Chief Tom Casady said. Further genetic tests are under way.

The first attack occurred at Union College in Lincoln on Feb. 6, when a man wearing a ski mask raped a woman who was playing the piano at night in the basement of an administration building.

Three days later, someone tried to rape a young woman in an art studio at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill. Another student walked in and scared off the assailant.

The next day, a 19-year-old woman at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis., was raped as she played the piano and sang in a music practice room.

On Feb. 16, a 24-year-old woman was raped while working alone in a computer lab at St. Ambrose University, a small religious school in Davenport, Iowa.

Just four hours before the Davenport rape, a man tried to sexually assault a 31-year-old teacher at Augustana College in nearby Rock Island, Ill., in a teacher's office. A faculty member stopped the assault and pulled the attacker's mask off before he fled.

Earthquake hits So. California's Simi Valley

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) - A moderate earthquake rumbled across Southern California early this morning, waking slumbering residents and knocking things off shelves. No injuries or major damage were reported.

Several smaller earthquakes followed the initial quake, which hit at 3:37 a.m. All were considered aftershocks of the devastating January 1994 Northridge quake, a 6.7-magnitude shocker killed 72 dead and caused \$25 billion in damage.

Today's initial 5.0-magnitude quake hit was followed by a 4.0 quake. Both struck about seven miles northeast of Simi Valley around, said Steve Bryant, seismologist at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

At least four more smaller earthquakes followed.

Residents across a wide section of the Los Angeles area reported feeling the quake, and area firefighters were put on alert status as a precaution.

"It was a real sharp jolt, which made things sway, the pictures sway and everything, and rumbled for about three or four seconds, then a minor jolt," said John Kenney in Beverly Hills. "The sudden jolt of it is what was surprising."

In Van Nuys, the rattling woke Saban Brown.

"It knocked some of the things off the shelves and opened all of the cabinets," Brown said.

There have been 16 aftershocks of 5.0-magnitude or greater since the Northridge earthquake, said seismologist Kate Hutton. It is unusual to have a 5.0-magnitude aftershock this late after the original, she said.

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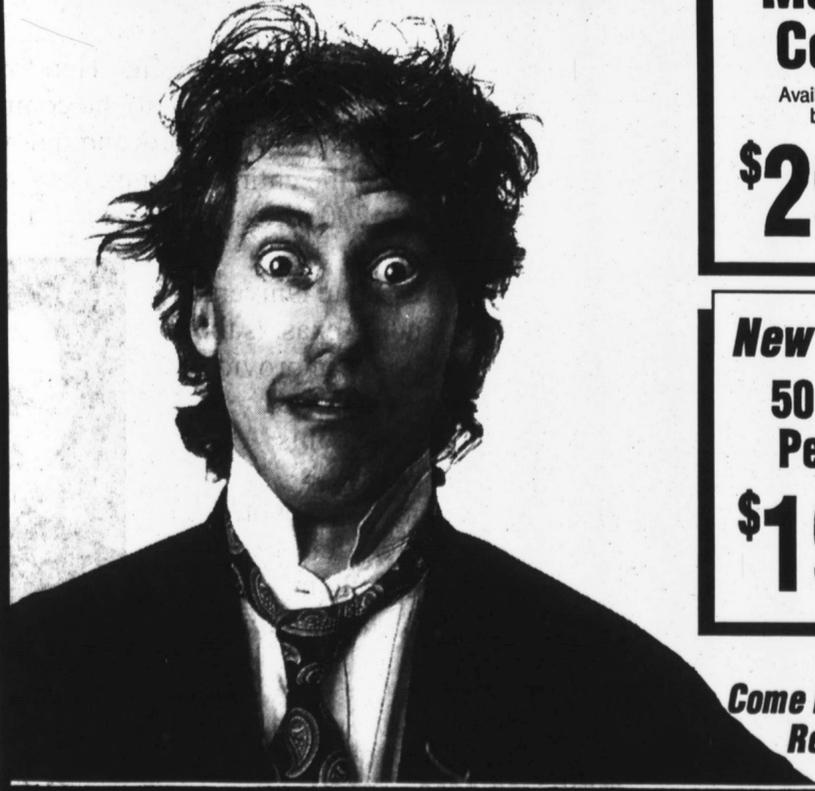
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Hometown celebration of 'King of Western Swing' still growing

TURKEY, Texas (AP) - The approximately 12,000 western swing fans expected here this weekend are proof positive that Bob Wills' musical style didn't die with him in 1975.

While largely relegated to the history books, the tunes still vibrate across southwestern dance floors.

"I know here in Dallas it's against the law to play western swing," said Jerry "Hambone" Cunningham, a steel guitarist with Wills' Texas Playboys in the late 1960s. "But what little there is, the kids really flock out to support it."

During the last weekend of April, Turkey's population of 500 multiplies as aficionados of the "King of Western Swing" from near and far park trailers wherever there's room to pay homage to the town's favorite son.

"There aren't a lot of stores still open here, but we do have a few," said Suzie Johnson, co-owner of a historic downtown hotel, where many former Playboys stay each year. "It's great for the whole area; a 50 to 75-mile radius. The ones who don't have campers stay in the motels around."

Wills developed his mix of big band, blues, dixieland, jazz and western music in the 1930s, playing dance halls and radio stations in Texas and Oklahoma. He introduced drums to country music and formed the foundation for countless artists to follow.

Possibly his greatest hit was "San Antonio Rose," followed closely by "Take Me Back to Tulsa" and "Faded Love."

Turkey is a scenic agricultural town dotted with wrought-iron designs, wooden cowboys leaning on downtown posts and decades-old buildings. While the town has shrunk over the years, the festival continues to grow.

Just 10 years ago, Bob Wills Day topped out at 5,000 participants. There were already about that many here by Wednesday, a day before any of the Playboys arrive to herald the start of the festival.

Those looking for primo camper parking arrived last week, Mrs. Johnson said.

Some former Playboys will kick off the celebration tonight with an autograph party, followed by dancing on Friday night and a full day of festivities - including more dancing - on Saturday.

"On Friday we usually do a breakfast open to the public and a dinner, and every night for a week and a half prior we have a band called the Texas Travelers play at the hotel," said Mrs. Johnson, who runs the 15-room Hotel Turkey with her husband.

The scene is especially gratifying to Cunningham, who owns the Music Mart in the Dallas suburb of Garland. Western swing was declining in the wake of rock when he was a 24-year-old Playboy, and Wills' health was waning.

"I was barely in on the end of the era," Cunningham said. "Bob was already sick at the time and not making all the shows."

Wills' dance halls reeling with his western swing fiddle for about 40 years until a stroke grounded him in 1969. In addition to his live performances and radio shows, he starred in 26 movies with names like "Wyoming Hurricane" and "The Lone Prairie."

Wills died after a two-month coma at age 70, and he was buried in Tulsa, Okla., where his star burned brighter than most anywhere else. Except, maybe, here in Turkey.

"We start getting calls not too long after Bob Wills Day about the Bob Wills Day next year," Mrs. Johnson said.

"Well, the honky tonks in Texas were my natural second home;

where you tip your hats to the ladies and the rose of San Antonio. I grew up on music that we called western swing;

It don't matter who's in Austin, Bob Wills is still the king."

- From "Bob Wills is Still the King," performed by Waylon Jennings.

Verde Valley County may be Arizona's 16th county

By JERRY NACHTIGAL
Associated Press Writer
CLARKDALE, Ariz. (AP) - On a dirt road high above the old mining-turned-tourist town of Jerome, Vince Davis leans against his dusty pickup truck and points out the boundaries of the sprawling Verde Valley.

Forty miles to the east lie the red-rock canyons of Sedona. Far to the north, the sun reflects off snow-covered mountains towering above Flagstaff. A few miles to the south lies Cottonwood, a small but growing community of 6,500. Directly below is Clarkdale, another former mining boomtown.

Davis - bearded, balding, businessman, 41-year-old family man, Catholic, Clinton voter in 1992, Dole man in '96 - is no extremist. But he's got a revolutionary idea.

Davis wants the 40,000 residents of this scenic valley in Yavapai County to thumb their collective noses at Prescott, the county seat, and break away to form their own county. And he's picked a logical name for what would become Arizona's 16th county - Verde Valley County.

Yavapai County spreads across 8,100 square miles. And Prescott is a laborious 50-mile journey from Cottonwood on U.S. 89A, through the steep and winding streets of Jerome, over 7,700-foot Mingus Mountain. (See COUNTY, Page 8A)

"Yavapai County has always been highly reluctant to spend any money over here," gripes Davis, a county resident for 12 years and the owner of construction and door businesses. "As a matter of fact, their idea is to figure out how to take money out of here and not put any money back in."

Simply put, Davis and his small band of supporters believe county leaders are neglecting folks in the Verde Valley, largely because of geography.

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COUNTY

around curving national forest roads and finally across open desert.

"We are geographically isolated, so we don't really run to Prescott or Flagstaff (in Coconino County) unless we have to do government stuff," Davis said.

He complains valley residents aren't seeing a fair return on their tax dollars, that the county is too tight with the purse strings on its \$100 million budget when it comes to capital projects outside greater Prescott.

"A small example is Prescott is getting a new five-story parking garage," Davis said. "Who's gonna pay for it? Everybody in the county."

Davis ticks off a long list of other perceived slights to those living on the wrong side of Mingus Mountain, from the relocation of a public landfill at Camp Verde closer to Prescott to the hiring of Prescott contractors to do road work in the valley.

But the most important reason to create a new county, Davis says, is to give residents a voice in plotting the future of their valley, named for the picturesque Verde River that winds through its canyons and mesas.

Developers, including Del Webb, are building thousands of new homes in the Cottonwood area for retirees and other new residents, and Sedona is also experiencing rapid growth. Plus, roads and sewers need to be improved and the area needs to attract jobs other than the minimum-wage variety offered by a wave of new restaurants and discount stores, Davis says.

"The people are coming in

droves," he said. "It's a nice place to live. We need to have a say in what's going to happen in the future."

Davis doesn't get a whole lot of argument from one member of the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors.

"I think there's some merit to the claim that there's been some inequities," said Chip Davis of Cottonwood, the only representative of the three-member board who resides in Verde Valley.

As the county seat, it's logical that the county's main offices be located in Prescott, said Davis, no relation to Vince Davis. But he says the Verde Valley has gotten short shrift when it comes to such things as road equipment and the number of county employees hired to work there.

However, seceding from Yavapai County isn't the answer, said Chip Davis, who was elected to the board last fall. The valley's growth has caught county officials off-guard, but it's also opened some eyes to the need for better long-range planning, he says.

"As long as county government strives to do a good job and represent the people the best way we can, we'll be OK," Davis said. "If we fall down on that, then people have a right to demand change."

County secession drives aren't without precedent in Arizona. La Paz County was part of Yuma County until about 15 years ago, when proponents circulated petitions and brought the matter to a countywide vote.

Under state law, Davis must gather signed petitions from 20 percent of Yavapai County's registered voters, or about 18,000 voters, to put the issue up for election.

Drive-in church service draws crowds

By MALIA RULON
Tucson Citizen

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - Every Sunday since it opened in 1964, Glen and Helen McGinnis have gone to the drive-in.

They park their car and hang the clunky speaker on their window. But the couple are not about to see Sylvester Stallone's latest celluloid disaster or a bunch of loud-mouthed Ninja turtles.

They are attending Park Avenue Christian Church's drive-in service. Joining them are people in about a dozen other cars and trucks.

"It's something different," Helen McGinnis said. "But it's just a matter of preference, I guess."

The church's drive-in service started more than three decades ago at the Rodeo drive-in theater on South Nogales Highway after the Rev. John Coatsworth, then the pastor of the church, saw a drive-in religious service in Tampa, Fla.

The drive-in was started here for elderly and handicapped churchgoers who had a hard time attending traditional services.

Now, people of all kinds attend the drive-in services in a parking lot at the church.

A pastor stands just inside a small building, behind open sliding-glass doors, and speaks into a microphone connected to the speaker system.

"We get everything that we would get at the second (traditional indoor) service - except the choir," said Mary Bolza, who has attended drive-in services with her husband off and on for two years.

Bolza, who has trouble walking, said the service is "wonderful" for people who have mobility problems.

"It's so much easier than having to go into the service," she said. "I don't even have to get out of the car."

And that's the point, Helen McGinnis said.

"Come as you are and worship in your car," she said.

"They could be in their pajamas

for all we know," said Gerald Yost, a church usher. "It makes no difference. They've got the best seat in the house."

The drive-in started in 1964 at the theater, with Coatsworth preaching from a stage constructed on a trailer. Coatsworth's son, Dave, played organ music through a tape recorder.

Thirteen months later, the service was moved to the church lot, where it remains. John Smith, the church's interim pastor (the full-time pastor resigned recently), said 20 to 30 people usually attend the drive-in services.

The drive-in service is similar to those inside the church, Smith said. Still, he had to adjust to the drive-in approach.

"It felt awkward preaching to headlights," Smith said.

When drivers enter the lot, they are handed programs and a communion kit. They sing hymns, give an offering and listen to a sermon.

There are a few differences between traditional services and the

drive-in service: The outdoor services do not feature a choir, and the pastor hears no feedback.

"I don't hear laughter or anything," Smith said. "It's more like broadcasting, like being on the radio."

Smith likes to think the mobile congregation is singing along with the hymns, but for all he knows he and the organist could be the only ones singing.

"That doesn't bother me," Smith said, citing optional participation as one of the benefits of the service.

"They can just sit and listen," he said. "You can choose if you want to plug in (to the service) and when you want to plug in."

Smith cited another benefit: It is a non-threatening way for the curious to attend a religious service.

"It's an entry point for some people who want to taste what a church has to offer, but who want to do it anonymously and without interaction," Smith said.

The church is a member of the Disciples of Christ, a Protestant denomination founded on the American frontier in the 1800s. Except on special occasions including Easter, drive-in services begin each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. October through April, and at 7:30 a.m. May through September.

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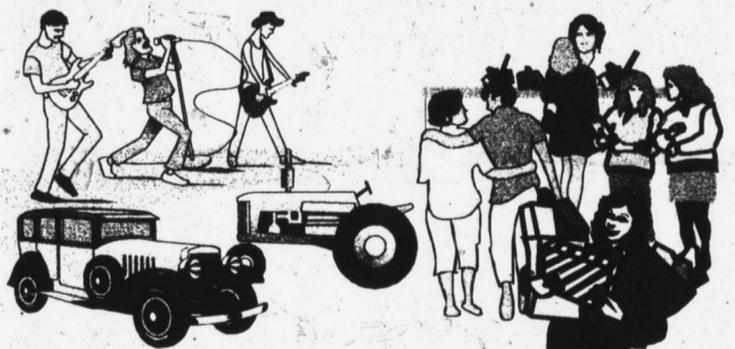
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Aikman played key role in Dallas' drafting LSU tight end

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Larry Lacey walked to the refrigerator to get a diet Pepsi (what else at Valley Ranch?), came over and allowed himself to be interviewed.

It was draft day after the first round and owner Jerry Jones' gag order had been lifted. Jones and his scouting department had put up more smoke screens than a World War II ship convoy on the Atlantic. Jones even planted a story the team would be, alas, trading out of the first round like it did the last two years to save money.

However, agent Leigh (Show Me

The Money) Steinberg, broke the code of silence (you can't gag agents) to predict the Cowboys would move up in the draft for a tight end, likely Tony Gonzalez of California, one of his clients. Steinberg has good sources. Another client is Troy Aikman, who went on a caravan to pass to the likes of Gonzalez and David LaFleur of Louisiana State.

How could the Cowboys move up if they had salary cap problems?

The Cowboys salary cap is a deeper mystery than the Hale-Bopp comet. Now you see the money and

now you don't. It's hard to follow and Jerry wants to keep it that way.

But back to Lacey, the Dallas Cowboys scouting director who had iffy drafts since Jimmy Johnson left. The only impact player of any note was offensive lineman Larry Allen in 1994. You remember that year, it was the one where they traded up to get defensive end Shante Carter, who has been your basic bust.

In Lacey's defense, he had to wait until the second round the last two years before his suggestions were considered. So far, Dallas has

only had average results for the average players selected.

"I'm really excited," Lacey said about the selection of LaFleur, an imposing physical specimen who seems taller than his listed 6-foot-7 and bigger than his posted 280 pounds. "This kid has the entire package. I think our tight end situation is going to be in good hands for years to come."

Hands? Do you say hands?

Without Jay Novacek last year, Aikman had balls skipping off fry pans disguised as hands. Eric Bjornson never got into the flow after he

sprained both ankles and couldn't have caught a ball dipped in honey.

LaFleur has hands. Aikman threw balls high, low, and behind LaFleur and he caught them all. You have to see the NFL combine film where balls were coming at LaFleur from all angles. He caught them all.

Block? Do you say block?

He made a lot of impressive blocks for the Bengal Tigers last year to spring running back Kevin Faulk.

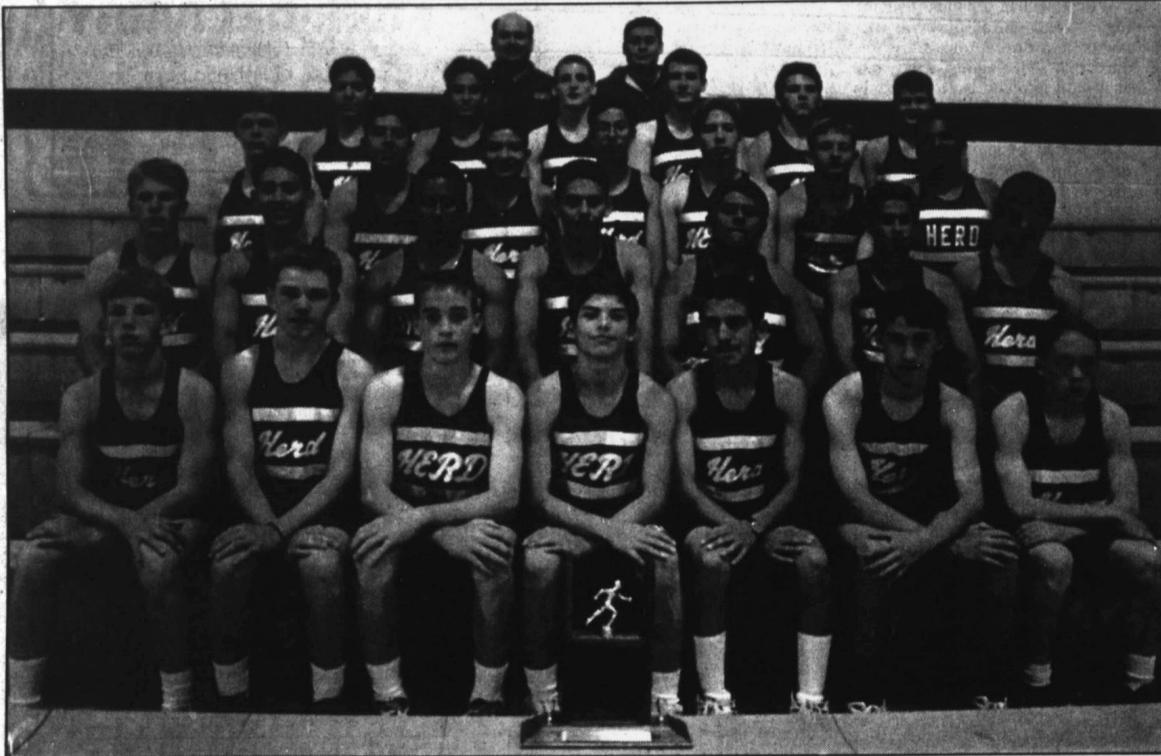
The Cowboys wanted LaFleur so bad that they traded up to get him. Some critics say the Cowboys

might have overvalued LaFleur and didn't need to give up the two draft picks it cost.

"If you see somebody you want why not go after him," Laceywell said.

The Cowboys couldn't run a two tight end offense last year because Kendall Watkins suffered a season-ending injury in training camp. There was no Novacek and a crippled Bjornson.

"Now, we can run some two tight end offense," Laceywell said. "This is going to make Troy a happy camper."



District champions

The Hereford Junior High School Whitefaces captured the district track and field championship last weekend, ending a spectacular season on a high note. Members of the HJH Whiteface squad include (front row, left to right) Morty Wilson, J.P. Holman, Slade Hodges, Richard Salinas, Jose Sanchez, Morgan McNealy, Nathan Harrell, (second row) Kyle Artho, Javier Alonzo, Rich Bordayo, Joel Martinez, Valentin Diaz, Tony Escamilla, Rafael Flores, (third row) Jason Jesbo, Michael Barba, Ramiro Zambrano, Jonathan Soto, Jesse Edwards, Landon Noland, Valentin Sustaita, (fourth row) Trey Madrigal, Gilbert Hernandez, Cody Hodges, Hagen Henderson, Chris Hammerbeck, Tim Dudley (back) Coach Bobby Nino and Coach Henry Perez. Not pictured is Joe Mendoza.

McCall to pay stiff fine for quitting fight

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Oliver McCall has agreed to pay a \$250,000 fine for crying and then refusing to fight during his heavy-weight title bout with Lennox Lewis. But the payment is on hold while the battle over McCall's \$3 million purse continues.

Nevada boxing officials on Friday delayed accepting a proposed settlement with McCall for his bizarre actions during the Feb. 8 fight, saying they would meet again in June to consider the offer.

Fight promoter Main Events Inc. asked for the delay while it asks a federal court to rule that McCall should not get his purse for the fight.

Main Events and HBO hold a letter of credit for the \$3 million purse, and contend that McCall should not get it because he stopped fighting in the fourth round of the scheduled 12-round fight for the WBC title.

"Our position is basically that McCall didn't fulfill his contract and therefore, subject to hearing an explanation from him, no purse is due," Main Events attorney Pat English said Friday.

Gonzalez set to return May 2

ARLINGTON (AP) - Baseballs are once again zooming off the bat of Texas Rangers slugger Juan Gonzalez as he works his way back from surgery on his left thumb. It's catching them that's a problem.

Gonzalez can swing a bat with little pain, but he winces when squeezing his mitt in the outfield - and that's just while he's shagging flies and picking up grounders. He's staying away from line drives.

Still, last year's AL MVP and his doctors are targeting May 2 - a Friday night home game against Boston - for his 1997 debut. Gonzalez will begin as a designated hitter and eventually work his way back to right field.

"The doctors have told me he has no limitations with the bat," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "He's been told that hitting in batting practice or in a game can't hurt it."

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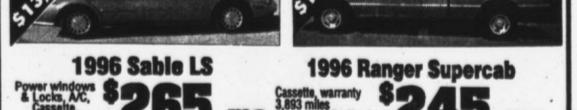
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With the help of the Texas Library Association, applications were devised and sent to all Texas public libraries. There was a limit to the amount of money which could be

requested and for this first year there would be 40 grants awarded.

Out of the 222 applicants, five Panhandle libraries, including the Deaf Smith County Library, were chosen to receive an award of \$2,500 for projects specifically designed for our communities.

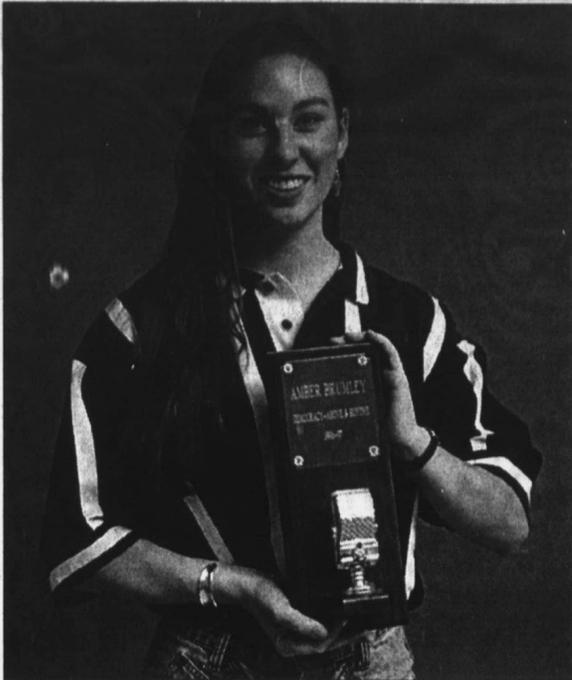
"Our goal for the money is to purchase readers used in the Accelerated Reading Program which has been implemented in our community," Rebecca Walls, library director, said.

Walls and assistant director Martha Russell attended the Texas Library Association Annual Conference in Fort Worth on April 10 when Mrs. Bush officially recognized all 40 libraries which have been awarded grants.



Recognition by First Lady

Rebecca Walls, left, Deaf Smith County Library director, is pictured with Texas First Lady Laura Bush at the Texas Library Association Annual Conference. The Deaf Smith County Library was one of 40 Texas libraries awarded \$2,500 from the Texas Book Festival.



Proud winner

Amber Brumley was the first place winner locally in the Voice of Democracy essay contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. She placed second in regional competition.

Local residents on Scout council

Hereford is well represented on the Texas Plains Girl Scout Council.

At the recent annual meeting held in the Girl Scout Program Center in Amarillo, Norma Walden was elected as a board member-at-large for a three year term 1997-2000.

Mike Hatley was elected to serve a three year term 1997-2000 on the nominating committee and Janie

Alejandre, whose term is 1996-1999, continues to serve on the nominating committee.

Alice Eades recently resigned from the board and Nancy Josseland has completed a three year term on the nominating committee.

The theme for this year's annual meeting was "85 Years of Making a Difference" as Girl Scouting celebrates its 85th birthday.

Talent for making a buck is alive, well

Editor's Note: The following essay was written by Amber Brumley and submitted in the Voice of Democracy essay contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Brumley's essay was the first place winner locally and placed second in regional competition. She is the daughter of Mike and Janice Brumley and attends Community Christian School.

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

By Amber Brumley

I flipped on the television and watched as a flame came fluttering out of the darkness...into the early morning light. Fascinated, I watched as Americans in bathrobes were standing by the sides of the two-lane road. As a runner carried the Olympic torch toward them, they signaled thumbs-up and broke the country silence with a soft startling cheer. Whenever television news played scenes of the torches' progress across the landscape, something in my soul, as well as that of the audience, cheered.

It was perfectly fitting that the road-side scene was turned into a television commercial -- calling up something patriotic and sentimental in the process of selling Nike tennis shoes. The new American mood was, if anything, eminently commercial. Whether one described it as enlightened self-interest or shrewd crassness, the old American talent for making a buck was alive and well.

America is the super-power of the world, not only in the Olympics, but in the competitive market. Henry Knox instituted these five principles as an outline for America's democratic success. We have a belief in God, limited government, individual freedom, incentive and of course competition.

Our founding fathers, who were daring entrepreneurs, formed parts of this country's foundation. An entrepreneur is an individual like you and me with the inventiveness, initiative and spirit of adventure to become whatever his energy could make him. This was the challenge, the hope and the American heritage that

touched and inspired hearts everywhere. Our need for freedom created America as a democracy, and launched us into the upward spiral, above and beyond all other forms of government.

Everyone can feel the American pride. One doesn't have to be an Olympic athlete or some great individual. Every day and in many ways, I know that America is better than any other country. From the choice of when to wake-up in the morning, to driving my car to the grocery store.

With my 18th birthday not too far in the future, I have paid more attention to the areas that affect me as a citizen. I really enjoyed deciding which candidate I would pick, by listening to the presidential debate and other speeches. Politics is not

something I find boring anymore, but rather, I enjoy participating in political discussions. There are some today who proclaim that a socialistic state would be better.

I believe that the future will be shaped by the minds and labors of free men in a free society. More than 200 years old, but as young and vigorous as ever, the United States today faces opportunities as great and challenges as difficult as any it has ever faced. I am so fortunate to be one of the few who will pursue those opportunities and persevere through the difficulties of our American way of life.

Everywhere the world is changing. An old word is disappearing and a new one is being born. What will this

new world bring? All of us are athletes traveling toward the finish line of life. Who wins the trophy of achievement? I'll tell you, all who challenge life and take that chance. And the old American talent for making a buck is and always will be alive...and well.

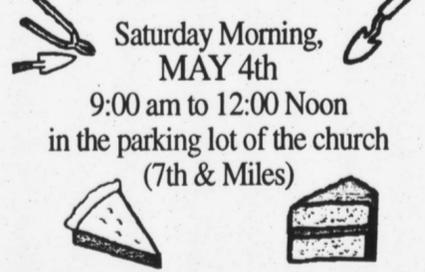
Thank You!

To our many friends in the entire community for the cards, flowers, and phone calls. And especially for all the prayers individually and collectively during my stay in the hospital. All is greatly appreciated. May God bless each of you!

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HJH Roundup

By CAROLYN WATERS

A young mind is like gelatin. The idea is to put in lots of good stuff before it sets.

HJH Orchestra played at Hereford Care Center on Thursday as part of the center's Fourth Anniversary and Open House. The students played a variety of string orchestra selections that they have studying in class. These selections included "Chester Variations," "Contrasts in E Minor," "Blue Grass Country," "Dance of the Tumblers," and "Caprice." Both seventh and eighth graders are in the orchestra which is under the direction of Raymond Jenkins.

Next week, with the exception of Monday, students will be involved in the TAAS testing. It is important that each student attend classes each day as there are no re-takes for this testing.

The following students attended the Industrial Technology Contest in Canyon on Thursday: Trey Bezner, Mark Harrell, Marty Wilson, Hagen Henderson, Kane Wilt, Richard Valdez, Slade Hodges, Robert Gallego, Justin White and Derek Weber from Mr. Nall's class; Kevin Jesko, Ivan Gutierrez, Pablo Lopez, Chris Sheppard, Weston Wilcox, Rafael Telles, Andrew Carnahan, Amanda Schumacher, Arion Decker, Paul Kilpatrick, Nathan Mungia, Bryan Vasek, Jacob Ory, Chance Wade, Paul Estrada, Michelle Bernhardt, Lance Arnold and Heather Pena from Mr. Rudd's class; and Brody McBride, Rick Bortayo, Joe Casarez, Javier Bravo and Steven Reinart from Mr. Rowe's class.

Honor roll receptions were held on Thursday. Needless to say, some students had to miss this due to being in other activities that took them off campus.

History Day students are finalizing their projects for the state contest May 8-11. They are behind schedule at this time and will be working at home to complete their tasks.

Cheerleader tryouts were held on Friday. Results will be forthcoming. There were many seventh graders who participated in the tryouts. This is a time of excitement and also of sadness for these girls, but it is also a good experience.

As we begin to "wind down" the school activities for this school year, please help us by having your student in school daily and don't even think about withdrawing your child before the end of the day May 23!

Kids are like sponges. They absorb all your strength and leave you limp. Give 'em a squeeze and you'll get it all back!

Sciumbato is initiated in senior honor society

Lexi Sciumbato has been selected for membership in Mortar Board at West Texas A&M University in



LEXI SCIUMBATO

Flame speaker is announced

Hereford Flame Fellowship will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Community Center.

Guest speaker will be Marejohn Brock of Hooks, where she and her husband, John, pastor a church. She ministers in prisons and at women's meetings.

The couple has two sons and several grandchildren.

Everyone is invited to attend. Please note the time change.

Make-A-Wish meets Tuesday

The Hereford Make-A-Wish Foundation will meet for a brown bag lunch at 12 noon Tuesday in the Heritage Room of the Deaf Smith County Library.

The group meets the last Tuesday of every other month and anyone interested in finding out more about Make-A-Wish is welcome to attend.

Help is always needed from anyone who would like to volunteer.



KRISTA WEST, ROBBIN MYERS

Couple to exchange vows in June wedding ceremony

Danny and Kippi West of Hereford announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Krista Lynn, to Robbin Dean Myers.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Bob Myers of Austin and Delma Myers and Albuquerque, N.M.

The couple is planning to be married June 21 at the home of the

bride-elect's parents.

The bride-elect is 1994 graduate of Hereford High School and a full-time student at West Texas A&M University majoring in education.

Myers graduated from Nazareth High School in 1993 and attended WTAMU. He is employed by Stowers and Son in Friona.

Annual Cinco de Mayo Fiesta plans announced

Hereford's eighth annual Cinco de Mayo Fiesta will be held May 3 and 4.

A dance featuring the Tejano superstar band, Los Palominos, will start the festivities at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Soliz Civic Center. Tickets for the dance are \$12 before 9 p.m.

Activities continue at 12 noon until 6 p.m. Sunday at the V.F.W. field.

Live music will be provided all day long, including recording Capital E.M.I. stars Tormenta.

Authentic Mexican food and drinks will be available.

There will be a class "D" softball tournament and hundreds of kids will participate in the High Plains Soccer Tournament.

Highlight of the fiesta will be the naming of the 1996 Hispanic of the Year.

Past recipients of the award are Janie Nino-1995; Arturo Gonzales-1994; Joe Soliz, City Commissioner-1993; Margaret Del Toro, Tax Assessor-1992; Steve Cortez-1991; and Edward Maldonado-1990.

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Don't tease your child. It's not a game to confuse or frighten a child. Don't make fun of the way a child looks.

Stick up for your kids. Don't let others tease or make fun of them. Report and confront any adult who uses humiliation to try to teach children a lesson.

Let your kids know they are important to you. Say, "You're

terrific. I like you!"

For more parent pointers come to THE SUCCESSFUL FAMILY activities Tuesday evening from 5:30-8 at the HISD Administration Building, 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue.

There will be a special presentation this week conducted by the Police Department and Probation Office on gang violence and how it affects the family.

Don't forget, at the final meeting on May 6 we will hold the door prize drawing for the TV and VCR. You must be present to win. There will also be a special drawing only for those who have had 100 percent attendance.

For more information, contact Tilli Boozer, counselor/facilitator, at 806-363-7668.

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Extension News

By **BEVERLY HARDER**
County Extension Agent-FCS
Co-signing cautions
Your child, another relative or a friend approaches you about co-signing a note.

They are sure they will be able to make the payments, but they don't have a credit history that lets them get a note on their own. What should you do?

Think twice before saying yes. As many as three out of four co-signers end up repaying the loan!

If you've co-signed a loan and the person stops making payments, you will be responsible for making the payments.

The item may be gone and you would still be stuck with making the payments.

The cost doesn't stop there. When you apply for a loan of your own, your liability for the co-signed loan will reduce your credit capacity.

So, before you agree to co-sign, be sure you want to accept the responsibility for the loan.

Know that not only will you have to pay the full amount of the debt, but

also late fees and collection costs if payments are not met. If you do not pay off the note, it may become a part of your credit record.

If you decide you should co-sign, be sure you can afford to repay the loan if you must. Remember that the debt must be considered by anyone reviewing an application for a loan you are seeking on your own, such as to buy a new home, property or your own car.

Most importantly, ask the lender to give you a written agreement to notify you if the borrower misses a payment.

This warns you of the problem and give you a chance to contract the borrower, see that they return the property to the creditor to apply its value toward the payments due, or get the money to make their payment.

Make sure you have copies of the loan contract, the Truth-in-Lending Disclosure Statement, and any product warranties.

Avoid putting any personal property up as collateral to secure the loan, you could lose it if payments are stopped or missed.



MR. AND MRS. RON MATTHEWS
...celebrate 25th anniversary

Wedding anniversary is observed by local couple

Ron and Jane Matthews celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary recently with a family dinner and a trip to the Austin and San Antonio areas.

Matthews married the former Jane Beznar on April 8, 1972, in Hereford. He is employed by the Texas Department of Transportation. Mrs. Matthews is employed by Hereford Regional Medical Center.

They have been active in the

United Way, Boy Scouts of America, American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association.

They are members of St. Anthony's Church.

Their sons are Chris, who resides in Hereford and Eric, who is in the U.S. Air Force stationed in Saudi Arabia.

Military Muster

Marine Lance Cpl. Genaro Ramirez, son of Maria L. Ramirez of Hereford, recently reported for duty with 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Ramirez's new assignment is an example of how Navy and Marine Corps men and women are assigned to ships, squadrons and shore commands around the world.

Whether serving in the Persian Gulf near Iraq or in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, people like Ramirez are making a difference as they work to improve their knowledge and skill as part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

The 1995 graduate of Hereford High School joined the Marine Corps in July 1995.

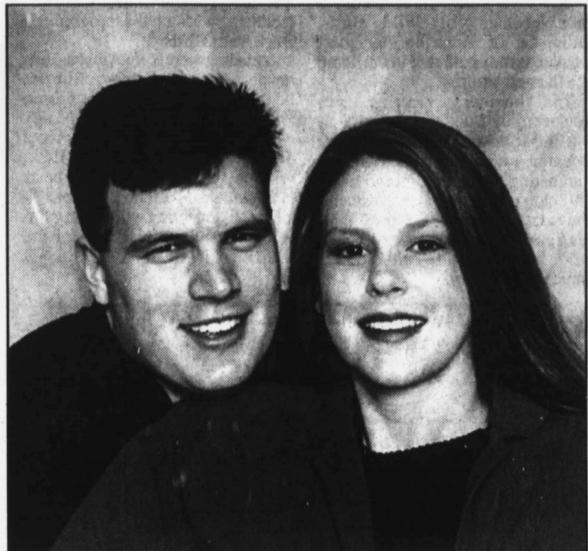
Welcome to Hereford

The merchants of Hereford wish to give a "Hustlin' Hereford" welcome to these newcomers who have recently moved into our city:

*Mr. Mike McPherson.

We are glad you're here and hope that you enjoy our community spirit.

If you have moved to Hereford recently and we have overlooked welcoming you properly, please call 364-7721.



LESLIE BILLINGSLEY, BRODY LIPPERMAN

August wedding planned by ex-Hereford resident

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Billingsley of Hereford announce the engagement of their daughter, Leslie Marlynn, to Brody Daniel Lipperman, son of Dan and Liz Lipperman of Lake Kiowa.

The couple plans to wed Aug. 2 in Irving at Woodhaven Presbyterian Church.

The bride-elect, a 1991 graduate of Hereford High School, received a bachelor of science degree in applied learning and development in 1995

from The University of Texas at Austin. She teaches third-grade reading at Atwood Elementary in Fort Worth.

The prospective bridegroom, a 1992 graduate of Duncanville High School, received a bachelor of science degree in mathematics in 1996 from The University of Texas at Austin. He is an actuary for Southwestern Financial Services in Dallas.

FCE luncheon, council meeting will be held in Heritage Room

Deaf Smith County Family Community Education Clubs will hold their annual Spring Luncheon and Council meeting at 12 noon Monday in the Heritage Room of the Deaf Smith County Library.

Delegates to the Spring Convention which was held recently in Perryton will make reports to the members.

FCE Council will be held at 1:30 p.m. following the luncheon.



Steering committee

Members of the steering committee for the Miss Hereford scholarship pageant are pictured at a recent work session. Applications are being accepted for the Miss Hereford pageant until 5 p.m. April 30. The pageant will be June 7 and is open to all young women between the ages of 16 and 21. Contestants will vie for scholarships and prizes. Pictured are, front row from left, Peggie Fox and Kim Leonard; back row from left, Elvira Enriquez, Linda Daniel, and Betty Drake and Betty Taylor, co-chairmen. Committee member not pictured is Julia Laing.

New Arrivals

Charley and Diane Adams of Amarillo are the proud parents of a son, Mark Anthony, born April 20 in Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

The infant weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19-3/4 inches long. Grandparents are Herman and Dorothy Schumacher of Hereford and Floyd and Arlene Adams of Dalhart.

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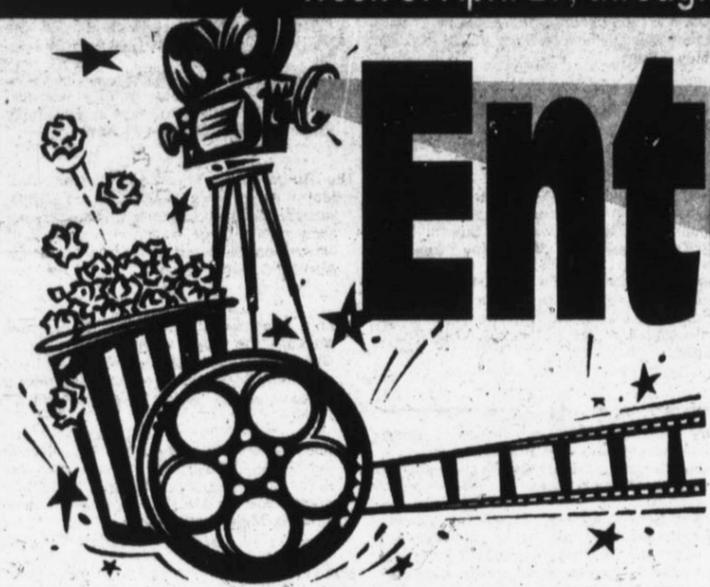
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I Am Your Child shows how to make a difference



Two-time Oscar™ winner Tom Hanks (left) hosts *I Am Your Child*, a program that examines the importance of early childhood development, airing Monday on ABC. Directed by Rob Reiner (right), the special includes appearances by Billy Crystal, Oprah Winfrey, Robin Williams and Roseanne.

By Suzanne Gill
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Like a lot of people, when actor-director-studio executive Rob Reiner reached middle age, he started to think about a "way to make a real difference in solving society's problems."

The answer, in part, was to do what Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland did in those old *Andy Hardy* films: Put on a show.

Reiner's show, *I Am Your Child*, is a star-studded special airing Monday, April 28, on ABC. His rallying point is early childhood — the critical developmental period from birth to age 3.

"When I was going through analysis in the '80s, it became very clear to me that what happened in my first years of life was critical in terms of how I developed later on," says Reiner, director of *The Princess Bride*, *When Harry Met Sally* and *Ghosts of Mississippi*.

While it's easy to view the Hollywood community's penchant for psychoanalysis as purely self-indulgent, Reiner came away from the experience with a sense of mission.

"People needed to understand first of all how critical those first few years are," he says. "If we really want to impact crime, teen pregnancy, drug abuse, child abuse, homelessness and welfare, the way to do it is to focus in on the first three years (of life)."

Reiner is particularly interested in recent research on how the neurological connections that become pathways of intelligence and personality are formed between conception and age 3. Through play, baby talk and other stimuli, "we are actually forming connections in the (child's) brain," Reiner says.

Everyone benefits when children are nurtured, he says.

"Even if you don't deal directly with kids, you're living in the world. You don't want to have to pay for more jails.

"We're showing that if you attack these problems at the roots and give children the right foundation in the first three years, you'll have significant reductions in these areas."

Fortunately there are no special skills or equipment needed.

"They're all things you know to do. If you're loving and attentive and physically nurturing, your child is going to get what he or she needs," Reiner says. "We're saying, now that we know this new brain science, we can maximize that."

What can one man do? So far, Reiner has teamed with Johnson & Johnson to produce a parenting video, AT&T to distribute a brochure, IBM to create a Website, *Newsweek* magazine to publish a special issue, and President Bill Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton to create a White House conference.

For *I Am Your Child*, Reiner persuaded two-time Oscar™ winner Tom Hanks to serve as host. The theme song, "I Am Your Child," was composed by Barry Manilow and the roster of celebrities appearing includes Billy Crystal, Oprah Winfrey, Robin Williams, Roseanne and retired Gen. Colin Powell.

A documentary segment focuses on Hampton, Va., where "they have put together a number of these early childhood development programs as a way of raising the economic and social status of the community," Reiner says.

Reiner says schools, businesses and churches have joined to give parents some support in raising their children.

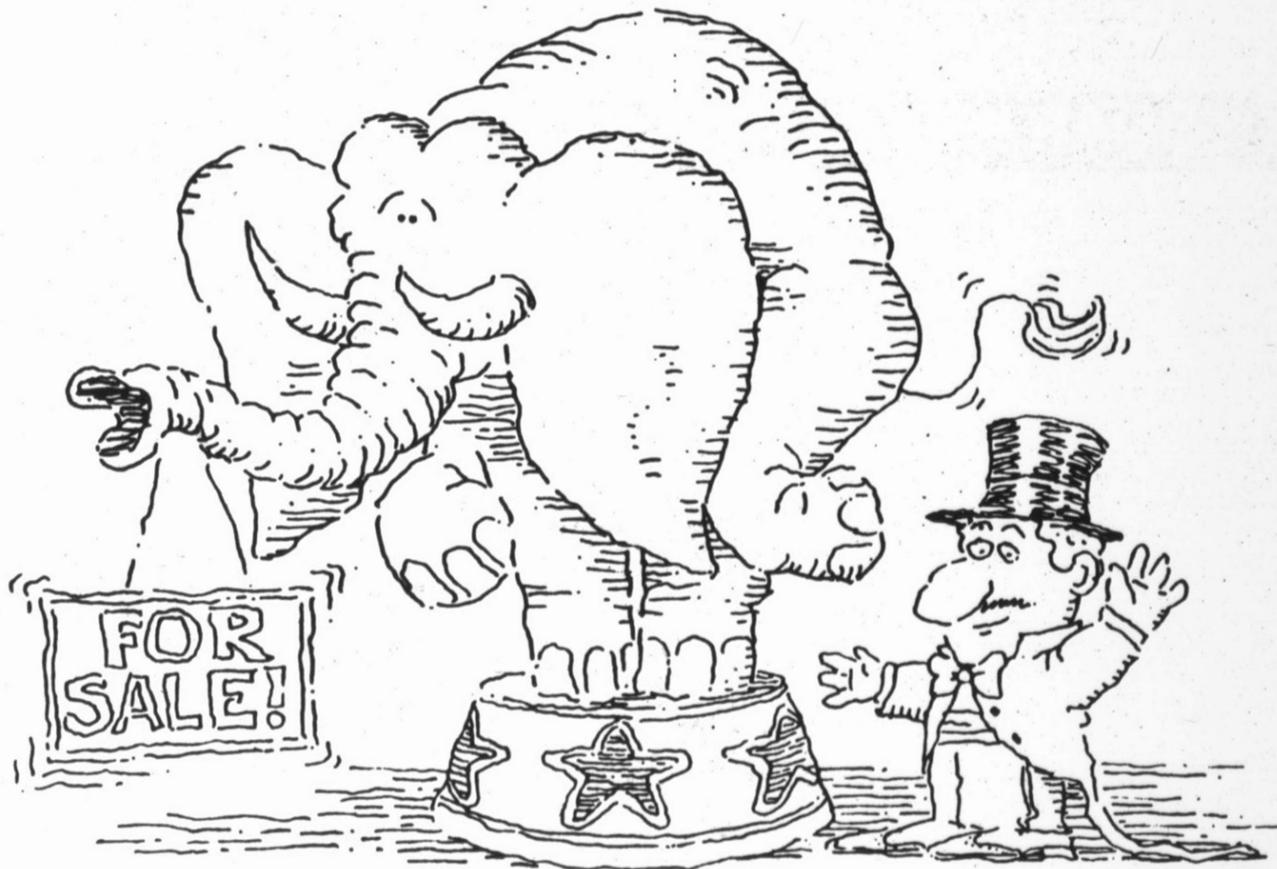
"I think what we're looking for is to reconnect as a community. And this is the way to do it, over kids."

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Margie's Notes

By Margie Daniels, HSCA Executive Director

I know by the time you read this our Volunteer Recognition Reception will be over but definitely not forgotten! We appreciate all of our volunteers so much. We certainly want to thank the Texas Plains Choral Society for the beautiful program. We have Seniors and other people who help us in so many areas. There is no way we can name all who are involved with our center. It is almost like being intertwined into the community! Thanks again everyone!

We have decided to open our Thrift Store on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays starting May 6. We hope these days will be more convenient for everyone. We still need any items you can donate. Also any old rags you think no one can use -- we can! We now have an outlet for the, in other words we can sell them!

The itinerary for the June Branson tour is printed in this paper. Please get your reservations in as soon as possible. The Christmas tour to Brownstone is completed and you can start making reservations. The fall tour to Washington, D.C., is not yet complete, but if you are interested, please sign up.

It will soon be time to pay membership dues. The form is in this paper so you can mail it in. We want you to know you do not have to be a member to participate in the programs of HSCA.

We have had several of you ask about having game night. We decided it would be best to have it on the first Saturday night of the month in the dining room, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided for a donation. Please come out on May 3 and have a good time.

With the weather so unsettled and it is required for us to have tornado drills and fire drills, we asked Mike Watts with Worksmart to help us. He lead us through a practice tornado drill this month. We appreciate Mike and his assistance. I want to thank all of you who were here during the drill for your patience and understanding. The drills are a lot of trouble for you to go through, but could save some lives.

See you at the Center.

HSCA Activities

By Peggy Maxwell, Activities Director

Many April showers brought beautiful May flowers. Lawns are green and growing, gardens are taking shape, birds are singing the joys of spring.

Remember the activities at the Senior Center in your spring-time planning. Check the activity calendar and try a new adventure this spring.

We recently honored all our volunteers. The Center is blessed with many wonderful people, especially the dedicated volunteers. Volunteers are caring people who love to serve others. If you would like to volunteer at the Center we would love to find a place for you to serve.

Please note the Pancake Supper May 23. Come out to the supper for fun and fellowship.

We are honoring all May birthdays on May 21. If you have a May birthday, come to the Center. Enjoy the meal and you will be served a special dessert.

President's Corner

By Norma Thurston, HSCA President

We are well on our way to the end of the month. I wonder where it went.

Truman and I were out of town for all the cold weather and snow, but it was cold where we were.

We went to East Texas. We visited Palestine and Rush for the train ride, hoping to see the dogwood, red bud trees and the azaleas. But we did not see a one, as they had bloomed about two weeks early.

We did, however, see lots of bluebonnets and Indian paint brush. Nothing can beat that.

I hear the tour group had a good time and saw lots of wild flowers. It was really wet everywhere we went. They need to send some of it over our way.



Fun and fellowship

Members of Hereford Senior Citizens Association, from left, Ludie Greeson, Bennie Manley and Irene Reinart, enjoy the craft room facilities at the Senior Center as they paint Christmas ornaments and baby blankets. There is also time for visiting and fellowship which add to the activity more enjoyable.

Vitamin E, prescription drug slow Alzheimer's, study says

BOSTON (AP) - Researchers have found that ordinary vitamin E pills modestly slow Alzheimer's - the first time any treatment has been shown to change the course of the mind-robbing disease.

Patients with moderately severe Alzheimer's who took high doses of the vitamin in a two-year study delayed such major milestones as going into a nursing home by about seven months.

The study - the largest ever involving Alzheimer's - also found that selegiline, or Eldepryl, a standard prescription drug for Parkinson's disease, does the same thing and seems to work about as well as vitamin E.

Both appear to help by protecting brain cells from the damaging effects of oxygen. Experts say this offers an important clue for finding other drugs that will be even more effective.

Dr. John Growdon of Massachusetts General Hospital, one of the researchers, said he has begun routinely giving his Alzheimer's patients vitamin E, the cheaper of the two treatments.

"This is not an overwhelming

effect, but it is the first time we have seen long-term benefit," Growdon said. "I find that very encouraging."

The study was directed by Mary Sano, an associate professor of clinical neuropsychology at Columbia University, and was published in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

It found that both vitamin E and selegiline decreased Alzheimer's patients' loss of their ability to bathe, dress, handle money and do other routine chores by about 25 percent.

"It opens up another encouraging avenue for the families of patients with the disease," said Edward Truschke, president of the Alzheimer's Association.

It also raises the possibility that vitamin E might also protect those who are still healthy from eventually getting the disease, although this has not been studied.

"The obvious question is, 'Should I take vitamin E?'" Truschke said. "Because of the other health benefits it has, it probably can't hurt. But at the same time, there are some mild side effects. Anyone taking a new medication should consult with their

physician."

Indeed, vitamin E is turning out to be a remarkably versatile nutrient. Some believe it wards off cancer, and there is strong evidence that it is good for the heart.

Last year, one major study found that daily vitamin E reduces heart attacks by 75 percent in people who already have bad hearts. Another found evidence that foods rich in vitamin E - such as mayonnaise, margarine, salad dressings, vegetable oil and eggs - reduce women's risk of heart disease by two-thirds.

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Presenting our Volunteers



EDNA JOHNSON

Edna Johnson is the volunteer leader for the Golden Line Dancers from the Senior Citizens Center. She has volunteered her services in this capacity since 1992.

Edna has lived in Hereford since 1952 and worked at various locations including the Hereford Clinic and West Park Drug.

She has two sons, Jerry Johnson of Hereford and Bill Johnson of Amarillo, and two daughters, Anna Solomon of Hereford and Donna Allen of San Antonio.

The line dancers meet at the Senior Center on Mondays and Fridays.

"They enjoy dancing. It's one thing they like to do and it doesn't matter how old they are, if they want to dance, they can dance," Edna said.

Thank you, Edna, for all you do and all the cheer and good will you create.

Employee Spotlight



LORENE GRANT

Lorene Grant started working for the Senior Center in August 1987. She had been home taking care of her children prior to that time and had not worked outside the home for many years.

Her job as outreach worker takes her into many homes of the elderly and she learns firsthand of the needs and concerns.

Lorene works with the home bound and the congregates in filling out papers and helping in many ways to get services and referrals as needed.

She has a husband who is a minister, two children and five grandchildren.

Lorene has recently renewed her interest in sewing, but she still does not like to cook.

Women's May at HSC

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Quilting Daily, 9:00am to 3:00pm Exercise Class, 10-10:45am Line Dance, 10-11:00am Doll Class, Monday, 1-4:00pm Decorative Tole Painting, Tues., 1-3:00pm Ceramics, Wednesday, 1-3:00pm Oil Painting, Thursday, 9-11:00am Choir, Thursday, 1-2:00pm		THRIFT STORE NEW DAYS & HOURS OPEN 9am to 4pm Tues., Wed. & Thur. 1306 East Park Ave.	Pool Class Exercise Class Oil Painting Choir Thrift Store	Pool Class Line Dance Thrift Store	Games 12-4 DANCE 7:30- 10:30pm
MAY 4	MAY 5	MAY 6	MAY 7	MAY 8	MAY 9	MAY 10
	Pool Class Line Dance Doll Class	Pool Class Exercise Class Decorative Tole Painting Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Ceramics Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Oil Painting Choir Thrift Store DSHHC Blood Pressure 9-12:00	Pool Class Line Dance HSCA Board Mtg. 12:00	Games 12-4
MAY 11	MAY 12	MAY 13	MAY 14	MAY 15	MAY 16	MAY 17
	Mother's Day Pool Class Line Dance Doll Class Retired Teachers 11:30-1:30	Pool Class Exercise Class Decorative Tole Painting Beltone 10-12 NARFE 1:00pm Long Term Care Seminar 1:00pm Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Ceramics Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Oil Painting Choir Thrift Store	Pool Class Line Dance	Games 12-4
MAY 18	MAY 19	MAY 20	MAY 21	MAY 22	MAY 23	MAY 24
	Pool Class Line Dance Doll Class	Pool Class Exercise Class Decorative Tole Painting Miracle Ear 10-12:00 Diabetic Support 1:00 Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Ceramics Birthday Party 11:00-12:30 Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Oil Painting Choir Thrift Store	Pool Class Line Dance Pancake Supper 5-8:00pm	Games 12-4
MAY 25	MAY 26	MAY 27	MAY 28	MAY 29	MAY 30	MAY 31
	Pool Class Line Dance Doll Class Memorial Day	Pool Class Exercise Class Decorative Tole Painting Beltone 10-12:00 Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Ceramics Thrift Store	Pool Class Exercise Class Oil Painting Choir Thrift Store	Pool Class Line Dance	Games 12-4



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Meeting the HSCA Board Members



CAROLE MCGILVARY

Carole McGilvary retired after 35 years of teaching, 25 years as librarian at Stanton Junior High and later high school.

She is secretary of the Hereford Senior Citizens board.

She is presently serving on the Administrative Boards of First United Methodist Church and Hereford Community Concert Association. She is also serving on the executive boards of Hereford Retired School Employees Association and Delta Kappa Gamma Society.

Carole serves as substitute teacher for an adult Sunday school class and as leader of the United Methodist Women Circle at King's Manor.

She is a member of Golden K Kiwanis Club and Hereford Study Club and serves as a mentor for the HOST program.

Carole coordinates the children's programs and tours for the Festival of Trees. She has given many book reviews and programs for various organizations.

She has four children and 15 grandchildren. She also does oil painting in her "spare time"!

In spite of Carole's full schedule, any time I need her she's ready to help! Thank you, Carole!



Birthday celebration

Residents of Hereford Care Center who had April birthdays were treated to a party complete with birthday cake, hosted by First Baptist Church.

Get involved in Home Delivered Meal Program

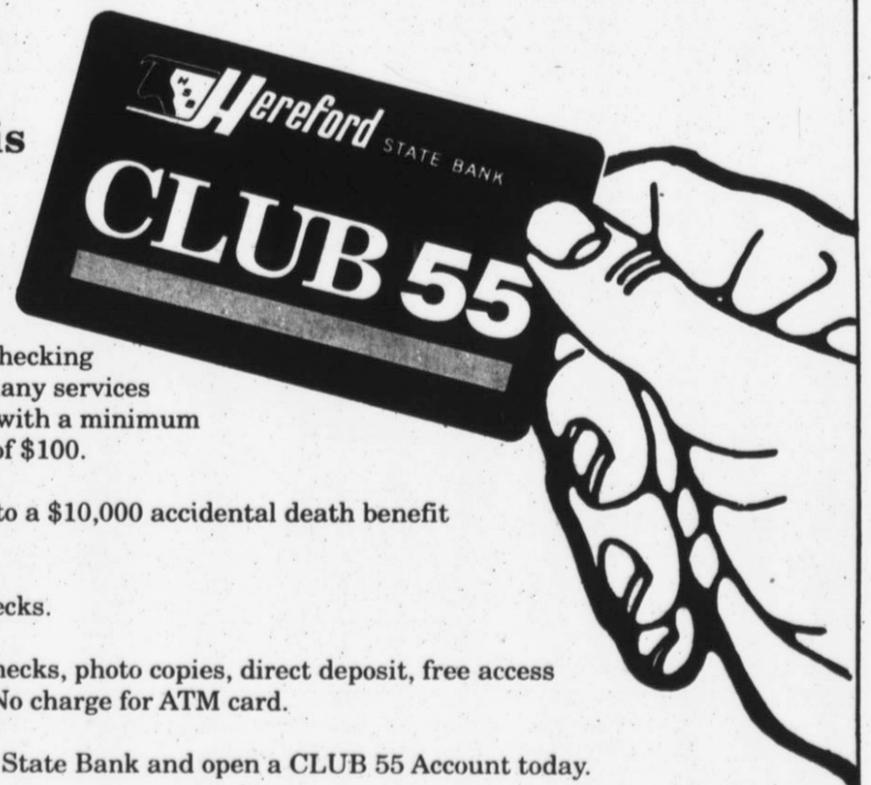
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The following is printed at the request of Mary Stoy and family in memory of Art Stoy.

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 God saw he was getting tired,
 and a cure was not to be.
 So he put his arms around him and whispered,
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On the Menu

HEREFORD SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION LUNCH MENU FOR MAY 1997									
MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY			
<p>DAILY CHOICE: Whole, 1 1/2%, Chocolate and Buttermilk</p> <p>HEREFORD SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER 425 Ranger 806-364-5681 OPEN Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.</p>				<p>We set aside a day each year Which we call Mother's Day To honor Mother, hold her close, And cherish her in every way. Yet wouldn't it be nice for her if we could truly say We set aside some time for love To make each day our mother's day.</p>		<p>Roast Beef w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Bu. Green Peas Sliced Tomato Salad Banana Pudding WW Bread</p> <p>Alt: Ham Fresh Fruit</p>		<p>Breaded Fish w/ Lemon Wedge Cheese Grits Brussel Sprouts Coleslaw French Bread Peach Cobbler</p> <p>Alt: Beef Patty w/Au Jus and Mushrooms Italian Gr. Beans Peaches</p>	
M A Y 5	<p>Salisbury Steak Baked Potato Fried Okra Lettuce, Tomato & Onion Salad WW Bread Ice Cream w/ Fruit Topping</p> <p>Alt: Chicken Fillet Cottage Cheese Peaches</p>	M A Y 6	<p>Chicken Strips Cream New Potatoes & Peas Bu. Carrots Frosted Lime-Walnut Salad Boston Cream Cake Rolls</p> <p>Alt: Polish Sausage Pears</p>	M A Y 7	<p>Baked Ham Sweet Potatoes Broccoli w/ Cheese Sauce Raisin Carrot Salad Pineapple Tidbits Rolls Brownie</p> <p>Alt: Smothered Steak</p>	M A Y 8	<p>Meat Loaf Gr. Northern Beans Mixed Greens Sunshine Salad Onion Slices Cornbread Mixed Fruit</p> <p>Alt: Smothered Chicken</p>	M A Y 9	<p>Salmon Patties w/ Gr. Pea Sauce Potato Cheese Bake Tomatoes & Okra Cabbage & Carrot Slaw Cornbread Meringue Pie</p> <p>Alt: Polish Sausage Pears</p>
M A Y 1 2	<p>Beef Stew Potatoes, Carrots, Onions, Celery & Tomatoes Cheese Stix Coleslaw Cornbread Angel Food Cake w/ Topping</p> <p>Alt: Chicken Stew</p>	M A Y 1 3	<p>Roast Turkey Giblet Gravy Dressing Green Beans Cranberry Gelatin Salad Pound Cake Rolls</p> <p>Alt: D'zerta Jello</p>	M A Y 1 4	<p>Polish Sausage BBQ Sauce Oven Brown Potatoes Seasoned Sauerkraut Stewed Tomatoes WW Bread Peach Cobbler</p> <p>Alt: Smothered Pork Chops Peaches</p>	M A Y 1 5	<p>MEXICAN STACK Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Salad Fixings Mixed Fruit Oatmeal Cookies Tostados</p> <p>Alt: TURKEY STACK Vanilla Wafers</p>	M A Y 1 6	<p>Breaded Pollock w/ Lemon Wedge Macaroni & Cheese Harvard Beets Cabbage/Carrot Slaw Cornbread Sherbet</p> <p>Alt: Brisket Seasoned Zucchini Apricots</p>
M A Y 1 9	<p>Meat Sauce Spaghetti Italian Gr. Beans Tossed Green Salad Garlic Bread Ice Cream</p> <p>Alt: Chicken Ala King Fresh Fruit</p>	M A Y 2 0	<p>Beef Brisket Oven Brown Potatoes Bu. Carrots Fried Okra Green Onions/Pickle Cornbread Apricot Crisp</p> <p>Alt: Polish Sausage Apricots</p>	M A Y 2 1	<p>Chicken Strips w/ Gravy New Potatoes Bu. Broccoli Jellied Citrus Salad Biscuits Strawberry Shortcake Whipped Topping</p> <p>Alt: Ham Pound Cake</p>	M A Y 2 2	<p>Stuffed Bell Pepper Rice Pilaf Bu. Peas Sl. Cucumber w/ Tomato in Oil and Vinegar French Bread Fresh Fruit Cup Oatmeal/Raisin Cookies</p> <p>Alt: Ham</p>	M A Y 2 3	<p>Catfish Fillet w/ Lemon Wedge Bu. Parsley Potatoes Harvard Beets Carrot/Cabbage Salad Cornbread Applesauce Cake</p> <p>Alt: Baked Chicken Breast Green Beans Applesauce</p>
M A Y 2 6	<p>Beef Stroganoff Brown Rice Herbed Green Beans Cucumber/Tomato Salad Fresh Fruit Rolls Sugar Cookies</p> <p>Alt: Chicken/Noodles Vanilla Wafers</p>	M A Y 2 7	<p>Chicken Fried Steak Gravy Mashed Potatoes Blackeyed Peas Carrot/Raisin Salad Plum Cobbler Rolls</p> <p>Alt: Chicken & Dumpling Purple Plums</p>	M A Y 2 8	<p>Baked Chicken w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Baked Squash Casserole Tossed Salad Tapioca Pudding w/ Fruit Rolls</p> <p>Alt: Brisket D'zerta Tapioca/Fruit</p>	M A Y 2 9	<p>MEXICAN STACK Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Salad Fixings Tostados Apricots Cookies</p> <p>Alt: TURKEY STACK</p>	M A Y 3 0	<p>Fried Pollock w/ Lemon Wedge Creamed Potatoes Spinach w/ Hard Cooked Egg Coleslaw WW Bread Lemon Cheese Cake</p> <p>Alt: Ham Fruit Cup</p>

Woman, 63, becomes world's oldest known new mom

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The world's oldest known new mom is a 63-year-old woman who lied about her age to get into an in vitro fertilization program, doctors said. She delivered a healthy baby girl last year.

Her case illustrates the lengths people will go to have children, doctors at the University of Southern California said Wednesday.

The woman, whose name was not released, said she was 50 when she approached the doctors for the treatment. She was actually 60.

It took her three years to get pregnant through a donated egg and her husband's sperm.

"Had the individual disclosed her actual age ... she would not have qualified for treatment at USC, since the program uses an arbitrary upper

age limit of 55 for women seeking fertility therapy," USC's Program for Assisted Reproduction said in a statement.

Program director Richard Paulson and his colleagues believe their patient is the oldest on record to have a successful pregnancy.

The woman, a Philippine-American, had minor complications during pregnancy, including elevated blood pressure and gestational diabetes. The problems were controlled by bed rest and diet,

said Dr. Hermina S. Salvador, an obstetrician at Loma Linda University Medical Center.

The baby was delivered by Caesarean section and weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces. The woman and husband of 16 years have no other children.

Doctors did not learn the woman's true age until the end of her first trimester, said Paulson, chief of the medical school's infertility division.

At the time she gave birth, she was 63 years and nine months. A previous

case from Italy reported a successful pregnancy for a 62-year-old woman.

An article on the pregnancy and birth, to be published in the medical journal Fertility and Sterility, concluded in part that when arbitrary age limits are imposed, people will devise a ruse to get a service.

The woman produced credible documentation that would indicate she was 10 years younger and passed rigorous physical tests, Paulson said.

"It turned out that she sailed right through it," he said.

Edward D. Jones hosts long-term care insurance seminar at HSCA

Edward D. Jones and Co. will host a seminar on long-term care insurance featuring guest speaker Nancy Neal, vice president of sales insurance products representing John Hancock.

The seminar will be held May 13 at 1 p.m. at the Hereford Senior

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06/18/97 8:00 am 9:00 am 12:00 2:50 pm 6:00 pm 8:00 pm	HOTEL CONT'L BREAKFAST Historic Downtown Branson Lunch on your own ANITA BRYANT Dinner on your own BALDNOBBER'S THEATRE
06/19/97 8:00 am 12:00 2:00 pm 6:00 pm 8:00 pm	HOTEL CONT'L BREAKFAST Lunch on your own DOUG GABRIEL DINNER-MESQUITE CHARLIES MEL TILLIS & BRENDA LEE
6/20/97 8:00 am 12:00 3:00 pm 6:00 pm 8:00 pm	HOTEL CONT'L BREAKFAST Lunch on your own CHARLEY PRIDE Dinner on your own SHOJI TABUCHI THEATRE
06/21/97 8:00 am	HOTEL CONT'L BREAKFAST Leave Hotel for Home Stopping at Precious Moments Chapel for Morning Break

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