

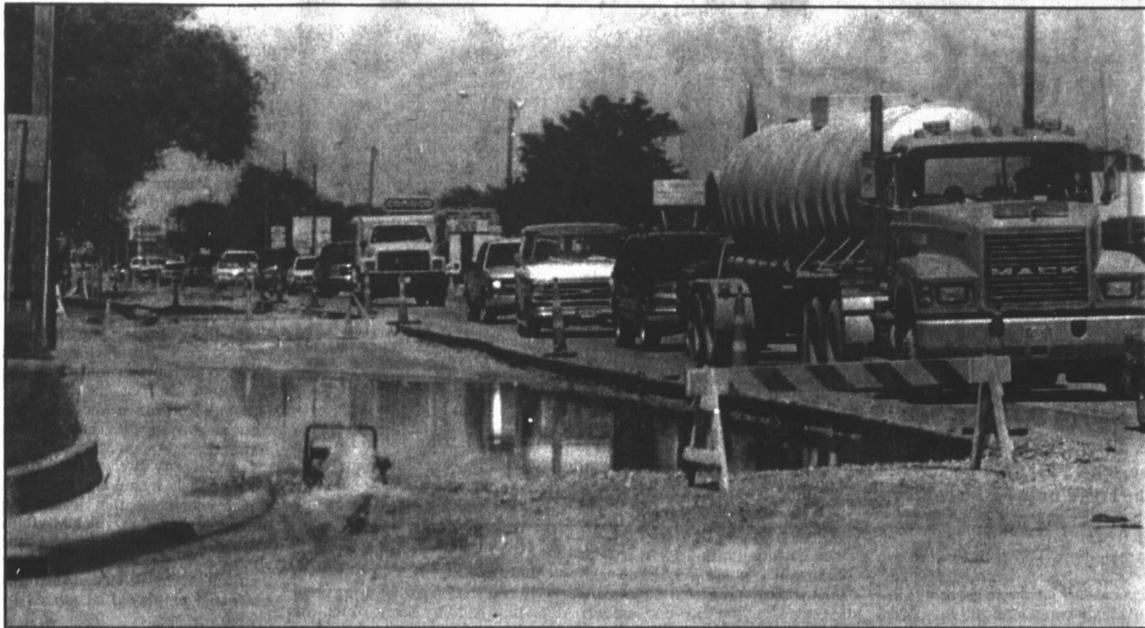
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## Using a pump

Because of the heavy rainfall that fell across Hereford on Monday evening, construction workers on the U.S. Hwy. 385 project had to install pumps to remove the water and enable them to

work. This pump was at the intersection of Park and 25 Mile Avenue.

## Re-opening of crisis center endorsed

By GEORGIA TYLER  
Staff Writer

Re-opening of a crisis center was endorsed Tuesday night by the Deaf Smith County Hospital District, after hearing reports on the need for such a program here.

Spearheading the attempt to put a new program together, Nancy Griego, director of the Hereford Regional Medical Center women and children's health clinic, reminded the board that since last December, there has been no organized rape crisis/domestic violence center here.

"I've talked with the Amarillo people and they say they will not re-open the office here," reported Griego.

James Robinson, HRMC chief executive officer, told the board, "I think the hospital should take over the program."

Contacts have been made with Deaf Smith County, City of Hereford and United Way to determine if funding at previous levels would be available, Griego said.

In recent years, the county's contribution was about \$5,000 and the city added \$2,000, she continued. United Way put \$11,200 into the program annually. Griego said her proposal to the United Way for renewed funding is based on a budget of \$25,300.

If entities previously involved in the project fund at the same level, she

said, the hospital district would be responsible for about \$5,100.

Robinson advised the board that "you shouldn't think that's all the expense we may have, though."

Re-organization of the rape crisis, domestic violence program is an outgrowth of SANE, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners, which the hospital put in place more than a year ago.

Griego and two other nurses have been trained to conduct examinations of children and adults who report sexual assault.

"We need a coordinator, counselors and volunteers in follow-up," Griego stressed.

During a report on the trauma center at HRMC by Rosemary

Barrett, nurse coordinator, the board heard that the nurse examiners conducted 16 examinations of victims of reported sexual assault during the first few months of SANE.

"We've already passed that number this year," she said.

Griego said details of organizing the crisis remain to be worked out. She reported she has received assurances that funding will be renewed. Contributions from individuals, organizations, churches and businesses also will be sought.

"This is needed here," Griego said.

On a motion by Chris Leonard and second by Mark Collier, the board authorized organization of the new rape crisis/domestic violence center.

## Prospective candidate files notice of treasurer

The first shot in the 1998 political wars was fired Tuesday when a prospective candidate for a Deaf Smith County office filed a designation of campaign treasurer.

Anselmo "Sammy" Gonzales expects to run for Deaf Smith County Commissioner, Precinct 2, a position now held by Lupe Chavez, a Democrat. Gonzales in his papers filed in the office of County Clerk David Ruland did not specify which primary, Democratic or Republican.

Texas law requires a prospective candidate to designate a treasurer and file the papers with the county clerk. An application for a place on the ballot must be filed with the political party chairman in the county.

Filing for office will open on Dec. 3 and continue until 6 p.m. on Jan. 2. Party primaries will be held on March 9, 1998.

Most elective positions in Deaf Smith County will be subject to election next year. Exceptions are county sheriff and tax assessor-collector.

Offices to be filled by election are county judge, district judge, county clerk, district clerk, criminal district attorney, justice of the peace, county treasurer and commissioners of Precincts 2 and 4.

## UPS trucks roll with Teamsters at wheels

ATLANTA (AP) - Teamsters returned to work and trucks began rolling today at United Parcel Service, as the company that bills itself as "the tightest ship in the shipping business" set out to right its course - mending morale and winning back customers.

Today's first order of business following a 15-day strike that crippled the nation's largest shipping company was to pick up thousands of packages being held by regular customers.

"We have a lot to pick up," said Ken Sternad, a spokesman at UPS headquarters in Atlanta. "We imagine that for next several days, we'll see strong pickup volume, then probably next week a leveling off to something below pre-strike levels."

At a distribution center west of Atlanta, only a few trucks were moving this morning and some returning employees were turned away. Driver Vincent Wiggins was supposed to be on vacation but showed up, thinking he might help clear a backlog of packages. He said he was told there wasn't enough work.

"Right now, they need to build up," Wiggins said. He added that he was anxious to return to work because "I've already had two weeks vacation."

Some customers said they were eager to see familiar faces in the brown delivery trucks picking up packages.

"I was buddies with all the drivers," said Matt Weyandt of Dover (Del.) Leasing Co. "We'll

have a good laugh about this now that it's over."

The tentative agreement would combine part-time slots to create 10,000 new full-time jobs, limit subcontracting and increase UPS' contributions to the union's multiemployer pension and health plans.

The union's 50-member national bargaining committee and officials from more than 200 Teamsters locals unanimously endorsed the contract Tuesday night, sending it to members for a ratification vote and authorizing a return to work.

"I'm really happy. My headaches have gone away," said Michael Estlick, co-founder of Electro Mechanical Technologies Inc., a Cleveland company that laid off half

its staff because it couldn't get parts delivered.

UPS also said it lost money, at least \$600 million in revenues although the figure was partly offset by reduced labor costs. Company officials estimated permanent volume losses at 5 percent or more, and warned that such a loss could trigger more than 15,000 layoffs.

"It's hurt us a great deal," UPS chairman James Kelly said. "It will take a year or two to determine the impact this strike has had on UPS and its employees."

He said some customers had told UPS they would cancel business or reduce future reliance on the delivery giant.

"But it is now time to look ahead" (See TRUCKS, P-2)

## Not an Aggie joke: hometown is smartest community in state

BRYAN (AP) - Better think twice about those Aggie jokes.

Bryan-College Station, the home of Texas A&M, is the smartest community in Texas and the fourth-smartest nationwide, according to the Aug. 18 edition of Fortune magazine.

Communities were ranked by the percentage of population holding a four-year college degree.

Heading the list was Iowa City, Iowa, home of the University of Iowa, with 20 percent. Stamford, Conn., home of the University of Connecticut, followed with 17.6 percent. Third

was Champaign, Ill., home of University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign with 17.8 percent. Tying Texas A&M for fourth, with 17.2 percent, was Bloomington, Ind., home of Indiana University.

Bryan-College Station was the highest-ranked of four Big 12 university cities listed in the ranking, including Lawrence, Kan., Boulder, Colo., and Columbia, Mo. Those cities are home to the universities of Kansas, Colorado and Missouri.

The study was conducted by

Moran Stahl & Boyer, a consulting firm that specializes in business location selection. It concluded that so many Midwestern cities made the list because people attend state universities and then "stay because of the low cost of living and abundance of jobs."

Joe Brown, city of Bryan spokesman, said that while Texas A&M's proximity definitely helped, another factor was the high number of college graduates who work for the school districts and other government entities.

## Decision on plant is several weeks off

By DONALD M. COOPER  
Brand Editor

If all goes as expected, Hereford should learn in six-eight weeks if it will be selected as the site of a \$100 million recycled paper mill.

John Sisson and Craig Pace, consultants for Fluor Daniel of Greenville, S.C., spent Tuesday in Hereford, where they met with city and community leaders.

The two consultants are examin-

ing several sites in Texas and two other states for the recycled paper mill. The other Texas sites being considered for the plant are Amarillo, Cleburne and Millsap.

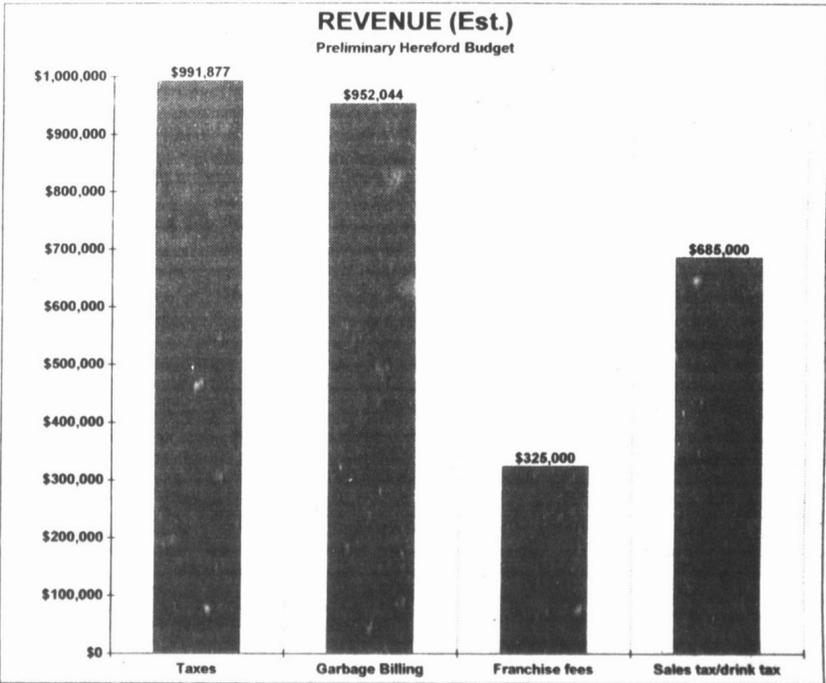
Fluor Daniel, which is a multinational construction company, was hired by an unidentified paper manufacturer to select the site for the mill.

Mike Hatley, executive director of the Hereford Economic Development Corp., said today he believes the

consultants received a good picture of what Hereford has to offer.

"I think it went well. I think that everything that they needed was provided," Hatley said. "They saw community support and the progressive attitude. ... I think that we have a lot of pluses on our site."

Hatley said the consultants said construction on the plant would begin in the spring of 1998, with the mill going on line in 1999.



This chart shows the sources of the money that funds the City of Hereford's operations. The amounts are still estimates. Final budget approval will be Sept. 15.

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# Local Roundup

## Bluebonnet open house

Bluebonnet Elementary will host an open house on Monday, August 25, for K-5 and 4-6 grade students. They will also be having a scholastic book fair Aug. 25-29 at the school. Everyone is welcome to come meet the teachers and buy their favorite books.

## Sunny skies

End of summer weather is here. Tuesday's high temperature reached 90 and low fell only to 63. Today will be mostly sunny, high temperature is expected to reach 90 with a low of 65. A 20 percent chance of thunderstorms is forecast for tonight. Temperatures should be slightly cooler through Sunday with high temperatures only reaching 86.

# News Digest

## State

**AUSTIN (AP)**—A new court rule approved by the state Supreme Court will make lawsuits in Texas more expensive and could keep legitimate cases from going to trial, the group Texas Citizen Action is warning.

Walt Borges is director of the consumer group's court watch program. He said the new "no-evidence" summary judgment rule will allow more lawsuit defendants to claim that people suing them have no evidence to prove their cases.

If judges agree to the summary judgment motions, cases against the defendants can be thrown out of court.

Under current rules, people who make no-evidence summary judgment motions must prove there is no evidence that could prove the allegations leveled against them. Under the new rule, the people suing would have to prove they have evidence to back their claims.

"The great fear is that because of the pressure of malpractice lawsuits and zealous defense, everyone is afraid that every single defense lawyer is going to file these routinely," Borges said Tuesday. "The impact is that it creates an entirely new level of procedure. You have to have a hearing and go through all the evidence."

**HOUSTON (AP)**—A Houston federal judge's alleged racist remarks in a trial that seeks millions in damages from an oil giant were inappropriate, but the trial is so far along he should continue to preside over the case, a federal appeals court says.

The ruling from the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Tuesday rejected a motion from Chevron USA that Houston-based U.S. District Judge Kenneth Hoyt be removed from presiding over a trial that accuses the company of "environmental racism."

The appeals court said while it found statements attributed to the judge were "totally unacceptable for a federal judge," it would be unprecedented to disqualify him now 10 weeks after the jury had been seated and after 58 witnesses and 31 trial days.

A three-judge panel of the new Orleans court heard arguments Aug. 1 on Chevron's motion that Hoyt recuse himself.

The court said it agreed the comments were "unfortunate, grossly inappropriate, and deserving of close and careful scrutiny and most serious consideration." But the court noted the comments, while on the record, were not made in the presence of the jury.

**AUSTIN (AP)**—Texas Department of Criminal Justice Board member John Ward of Gatesville has resigned to avoid a conflict of interest involving a bid of his insurance company bidding on a prison road construction contract.

## World/Nation

**NEWARK, N.J. (AP)**—Possible evidence that government prosecutors improperly released information that outlined kickback deals involving lottery lobbyists in New York and Texas will be seen by a judge before any of it is disclosed to the public, a federal appeals court ruled.

Tuesday's decision by the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals was a defeat for newspapers here and in Texas, who had challenged the closing of the hearing by a federal judge in Newark.

The issue was sparked by a document released in January by federal prosecutors in New Jersey regarding the pending sentencing of J. David Smith, the former national sales manager for Gtech, the world's largest lottery company.

Smith, 50, of Morganfield, Ky., was convicted here in October of accepting kickbacks from lobbyists doing work for Gtech in New Jersey while he was still with the company.

The sentencing memo raised questions about the business practices of Gtech, of West Greenwich, R.I., which runs lotteries in 29 of the 38 states that have them and in 30 nations. The company has never been charged.

"I think it's appropriate that to avoid conflict, I resign," said Ward, a board member since February 1993. He faxed a letter of resignation to Gov. George W. Bush on Tuesday night.

Ward's decision came after Texas Attorney General Dan Morales' office issued a legal opinion, which carries the weight of law, saying that the board couldn't contract with J.H.L. Construction as long as Ward was on the board.

The construction company, insured by Ward Insurance Agency, Inc., is bidding on a TDCJ paving contract in Gatesville.

Bids for the job are to be unsealed and considered by the board Wednesday afternoon.

# Obituaries

## TOM LeGATE

Aug. 19, 1997

Memorial services for Tom LeGate, 51, former Hereford mayor who died Tuesday, will be held at 3 p.m. Friday in First United Methodist Church.

Burial will be at 2 p.m. in Rest Lawn Memorial Cemetery, under direction of Parkside Chapel.

Officiating will be the Rev. Ted Turner of Church of the Nazarene, the Rev. Tom Fuller of First United Methodist Church and Deacon Jonny Cloud of St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

Mr. LeGate was born in Garden City, Kan., and married Carol Sue Cross in Syracuse, Kan., in 1966.

He was active in Red Raider Booster Club, Chamber of Commerce Hustlers and Hereford athletic booster club. A graduate of Texas Tech University, he was manager of Oswalt Livestock Products division of Heyco, Inc., in Hereford.

Mr. LeGate was elected to the Hereford City Commission in 1985 and served three terms before running for mayor in 1991 and serving one term. He did not seek a new term in 1993.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors are his wife; two

daughters, Tiffany Confer of Hereford and Jennifer Walker of Snyder; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nolen LeGate of Hereford; three sisters, Terri LeGate, Connie Lance and Barbara King, all of Hereford, and four grandchildren.

The family has suggested that memorials be directed to Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo 79101.

## CHRISTINE LARSON

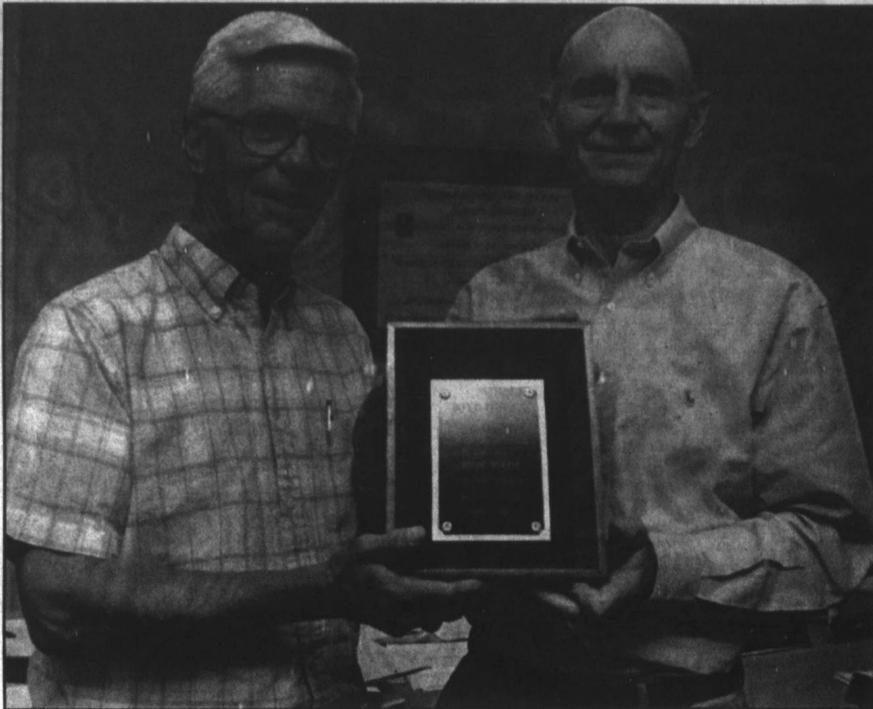
Aug. 19, 1997

Christine Larson, 74, of Hereford, died Tuesday.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in Rose Chapel of Gililand-Watson Funeral Home with burial in West Park Cemetery. Officiating will be the Rev. Bonnie Dunnsouth of Wesley United Methodist Church and the Rev. Jesse Hodge.

Mrs. Larson was born in the Cedar Hill community of Floyd County and came to Deaf Smith County in 1926. She married Inman Larson in 1963 in the Bippus community. She was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church.

Survivors are her husband and five sisters, Anna Kate Bradley of Adrian, Mary Dorris of Clovis, N.M., Stella Sevier of El Paso, Chloe Dell Dowd of Laurel, Ind., and Alta Mae Higgins of Hereford.



## Thanks for service

A plaque in appreciation for service on the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board is presented to Boyd Foster, right, by Mal Manchec, board president. Foster resigned from the board because he is accepting a business opportunity in Dallas.

## HOSPITAL

Admissions, 172, in July were two less than the same month a year ago. Patient days also were lower, 471 this year, compared with 507 July a year ago.

Bright spots, Robinson pointed out, were the use of the portable MRI service, outpatient visits, respiratory therapy treatments and home health visit.

The MRI service was initiated last month, Robinson observed, and recorded 14 procedures during the month.

"We plan to ask for another day,

or more time on the day it is here because of response," Robinson said.

Boyd Foster reported to the board that the "community encourager" position will be taken by Pat Stone. She will work with a consultant in collecting community input on the future of health care in Hereford and Deaf Smith County.

The board accepted, with regret, the resignation of Boyd Foster, senior member of the board, who will be involved in a new business opportunity in Dallas. Foster joined the board in

May 1990. His current term will expire next May.

The resignation previously accepted, then rescinded by Larry Watts, was re-submitted and accepted. He also is moving out of the county. His term will expire in May.

The board delayed a decision on appointment of persons to fill the two unexpired terms.

During a brief executive session, the board visited with Robinson about an evaluation for him. On returning to open meeting, directors adopted an evaluation instrument.

# State's politicians collect \$6.3 million in donations

**WASHINGTON (AP)**—Texans in Congress tapped their campaign supporters and "political" action committees for \$6.3 million in contributions for the first six months of this year, according to the latest filings with the Federal Election Commission.

During the same period in this non-election year, the 32 Texans spent a total of \$2.7 million, beginning the process of building the war chests they will need for next year's House races.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, raked in \$1.8 million in contributions during the first six months of the year - a sizzling pace for a senator who isn't up for reelection until 2000.

By contrast, fellow Texas GOP Sen. Phil Gramm, who was re-elected in November to his third six-year term, did next to nothing in the way of fund-raising. He took in \$6,816 during the first half of the year.

Then again, Gramm tapped his individual contributors for some \$16 million last year for an unsuccessful White House run, and then turned to them again to finance a \$6 million Senate race.

## TRUCKS

together," Kelly said. "We will turn our attention to the task of winning back the confidence of our customers - and their business."

The Teamsters dismissed the layoff threat as a scare tactic. "We believe they'll get all the business back again," said Vince Lasita, secretary-treasurer of Local 100 in Cincinnati.

UPS, which normally ships 12 million items a day, was virtually

crippled when 185,000 teamsters went on strike with the support of the company's 2,000 unionized pilots.

Greg Smith, an analyst with The Colography Group in Marietta, said UPS' large-volume discounts, its history and its sophisticated computer connections with customers should allow it to regain most of its business.

And personal touches made by striking workers like Ron Monroe should help.

"All during the strike, I've been out seeing my customers," said Monroe, a full-time driver for 13 years in Atlanta. "They've been very understanding."

Although UPS competitors lacked the capacity to take up all of the company's slack, the Postal Service, Federal Express and other shippers aggressively expanded operations the past two weeks.

"The UPS strike opened a lot of eyes," said Fred Backhaus, owner of Fred's Photo in Beloit, Wis. "I think we are all realizing you have to have more than one shipper. A lot of our vendors and distributors relied exclusively on UPS."

Ken Shapero, a spokesman at UPS' air hub in Louisville, Ky., believed operations would soon run smoothly again, and tensions would ease as both sides joined together.

A few of the striking Teamsters said the animosity would last a bit longer, especially with workers who crossed picket lines.

"They stabbed us in the back; that's about as dirty as you can get," said Adam Liles, a part-time driver in the Atlanta area for eight years.

At Somerville, Mass. - one of the most aggressive spots for union activity - Keith Portanova, 29, said he will go back with more pride in what he does and no regrets. He added that tight finances weren't the only reason he was happy to return.

"I'm really bored," the seven-year UPS driver said. "But at least I've gotten a good tan."

--A cellular phone was stolen in the 200 block of Avenue F.

--A domestic disturbance was reported in the 200 block of Elm.

--A boys bicycle, valued at more than \$90 was stolen from the 800 block of Brevard Street.

--A man and his 16-year old step son got into a fight at a residence in the 100 block of Northwest Drive. No serious injuries resulted and no charges have been filed.

--A pickup window in the 600 block of north McKinley had the rear window broken out. Damage is valued at \$300.

--A report of a man, with a baseball bat, chasing another man in the area of Grand and Avenue I. Officers were unable to locate.

--14 traffic citations were issued.

--Two motor vehicle accidents without injuries.

--No fire calls.

# Prison guard served time for beating

**HOUSTON (AP)**—One of the jail guards seen on a videotape using stun guns, dogs, and kicks to subdue Missouri prisoners was once convicted and sentenced for beating a state prison inmate, the Houston Chronicle reported today.

The guard, Wilton David Wallace, pleaded guilty to a federal misdemeanor for beating a prisoner at the Darrington Unit with a riot stick in 1983. Wallace was sentenced to five months in jail, the newspaper reported today.

Brazoria County chief deputy Charles Wagner identified Wallace when he watched the September 1996 videotape of Missouri prison inmates being manhandled at Brazoria County Detention Center in Angleton, said Glenn Patton, Richwood police chief. Richwood is near Angleton, about 40 miles south of Houston.

The tape, which was obtained last week by The Brazosport Facts, shows Wallace pushing an inmate on the floor with his foot, the Chronicle reported. Portions of the videotape were shown by television stations across the nation on Monday.

The security director for Capital Correctional Resources Inc., the private company that leased the portion of the jail in which Missouri inmates were housed, said the sheriff's department made the decision to hire Wallace and all other personnel employed as guards by CCRI.

"We screen and get applicants. The final approval is up to the sheriff's office," said Dennis Walker, CCRI's security director.

He was unsure why Wallace was hired.

"I asked the same question. I was down there Thursday and Friday and was unaware of that (Wallace's history in the Texas penal system)," Walker said from CCRI's corporate headquarters in Groesbeck in Central Texas.

The FBI is investigating possible civil rights violations at the jail in connection with incident last year, agency spokesman Rolando Moss acknowledged Tuesday. The FBI will give its finding to the U.S. attorney's office, he said.

John Lenoir, executive assistant U.S. attorney in Houston, said his office can't act until it receives the FBI report.

The 32-minute videotape was reportedly made by a sheriff's deputy for training purposes after a jailer said he smelled marijuana in a prisoner housing area.

The tape surfaced as part of a lawsuit brought by one of the inmates, a convicted burglar who was returned to Missouri months ago. He has sued for \$100,000 in damages for, among other things, being bitten by the dog.

After viewing the videotape, Missouri Corrections Director Dora Schriro on Friday ordered all 415 inmates returned and canceled the state's contract with Brazoria County. The inmates began returning home Monday and the rest are scheduled to be shipped out Thursday.

Kevin Kising, an inmate who says he was present when the deputies manhandled the prisoners and who filed a civil rights lawsuit against Brazoria County, told The Brazosport Facts there were no loud celebrations on the bus during the 14-hour ride back to Missouri.

"The atmosphere was very quiet," Kising said. "Everybody was happy. Everything is looking up for us."

It feels good to be out of there after 11 months of hell," Kising told the newspaper.

A few months ago, Oklahoma officials began gradually bringing home the 560 inmates it had at the Limestone County Detention Facility in Groesbeck. They said they were concerned about the frequency with which its prisoners were being controlled with pepper spray.

The Limestone County facility is operated by the same company that operates part of the Brazoria County facility.

Oklahoma still has 250 to 300 prisoners in Limestone County, but officials have said they plan to phase out the state's presence there once sufficient space becomes available in a private prison in Oklahoma.

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# Lifestyles

## Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: A while back, you printed your annual column on Reconciliation Day and talked about the importance of keeping in touch with family members and friends who have drifted away. That letter impressed me so much, I decided to write to my brother, who is a preacher in a southern state, and "reconnect." We'd had a falling out and had not spoken to one another for several years.

I wrote him a nice letter saying we should let bygones be bygones and enjoy the years we had left. He responded at once with a letter saying he didn't see any point in trying to get together because I was "too much like Dad -- bullheaded, a know-it-all, etc., etc." Actually, Dad was a decent, hard-working family man, but he was hard to please and not very affectionate. Being a girl, I really missed having a father who would hug me like some of my friends had, but I understood that my father was not a hugger, and I accepted him the way he was.

I really feel bad about the way my brother shut the door on me. He is missing out on being part of a big, loving family. He has three kids whom I would love to know: Sad, isn't it? I think about it often. Just sign me -- A Sister in Dayton, Ohio

Dear Sister: Your brother is the loser. He doesn't know what he is missing. How sad that he is also depriving his children of the pleasure of knowing you and their cousins. I hope he sees this and changes his mind. Let me know if it happens. It would make my day.

Dear Ann Landers: I always wondered how a pedestrian could be hit by a car in a crosswalk. I know now. I cannot count the number of times I've seen pedestrians step blindly into an intersection crosswalk when the light turns to "Walk." Do they stop to see if oncoming traffic notices them? No, they do not. They just figure the driver will see them and hit the brakes. They march directly into the street, assuming that because they have the right of way, the cars will stop.

What they do not know is that the

driver in an oncoming car just got fired, had a fight with his wife or is trying to find the lighted cigarette he just dropped. The pedestrian may have the right of way, but being right isn't enough when you're laid up in the hospital or, worse yet, in the cemetery.

Wake up, you idiots. Your life is your responsibility, and if you value it, you will not assume that all drivers are sober, considerate and interested in keeping you alive. -- A.H. in Sacramento, Calif.

Dear A.H.: Thank you for all the readers you may have saved today. Your message is clear: Don't assume a driver sees you or that he is competent, sober and alert. The one who isn't could cost you your life.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a single woman in my early 30s with a good job and an active social life. I don't drink or do drugs, and I lead a fairly happy life. So what's my problem? My mother thinks it would be better if I were married, and she can't understand why I don't "find a man."

Mom has always harped on this subject because I have had few boyfriends, and I've never really taken her seriously. As I get older, her comments are more frequent and increasingly hurtful. I don't want to stop talking to my mother, but how can I let her know that her harping is becoming unbearable? -- Vancouver

Dear Van.: Tell your mother that from now on, the subject of finding a man is strictly verboten and you don't want the subject brought up ever again. Let her know that if she doesn't respect your wishes, you will promptly leave the room. Then do it.

Lonesome? Take charge of your life and turn it around. Write for Ann Landers' new booklet, "How to Make Friends and Stop Being Lonely." Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$4.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Friends, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$5.15.)

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## Williamson to be honoree for 80th birthday event

A reception honoring Mary Williamson on the occasion of her 80th birthday will be hosted by her children from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Hereford Country Club.

Mrs. Williamson was born Aug. 28, 1917, in Ada, Ohio, and reared in Grand Rapids, Mich. She was one of the first women chemist in the

Chicago station of the Food and Drug Administration.

She served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and met her husband, LeRoy K. Williamson, while they were both stationed at the Naval Medical Research Institute in Bethesda, Md. They were married April 11, 1948.

The couple moved to Deaf Smith County from Cotton County, Okla., in 1951 where Mr. Williamson has been a farmer/stockman.

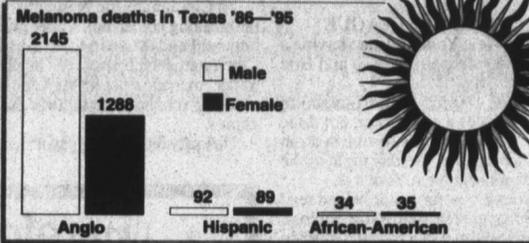
Children hosting the reception are Joel Williamson of Dumas, Kim Williamson of Marshall and Lisa Jackson of Amarillo.

Mrs. Williamson also has seven grandchildren.

## Keeping an eye on Texas

### Melanoma is preventable, curable

Skin cancer is the most prevalent of all cancers. It is estimated that by the year 2000, the risk of melanoma, the most dangerous skin cancer, among Anglos in the U.S. will be 1 in 90 persons. Prevention is the best defense; cover up with clothing and sunscreens with at least a 15 SPF rating.



### Melanoma early detection

Monthly examinations can catch skin cancer in the early stages, when it is almost always totally curable. Look for any moles with:

- A symmetry — one half of a mole does not match the other.
- B order irregularity — the edges are ragged, notched or blurred.
- C color — the pigmentation (coloring) of the growth is not uniform.
- D iameter — greater than 6 mm. (about the size of a pencil eraser).

For more information call 1-800-4-CANCER.

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Cancer Registry, and American Cancer Society.

## Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: I have been trying to locate a recipe that my mother used to make. I think she got it from a women's magazine 35 to 40 years ago. She passed away 10 years ago and I haven't been able to locate the recipe.

It was made with strawberry gelatin. Cinnamon red hots are dissolved in the boiling water in which you dissolve the gelatin. When it is partially set, cream cheese is whipped into the gelatin.

Could you see if you could locate this recipe? — Delores Raines, Salem, Ore.

Our readers are the best! So, once again we're asking for their help in locating this recipe for Delores. To make it a sweet deal, we will send the first 10 readers who submit this recipe a Heloise All-Time Favorite Recipes pamphlet. So if you've got the gelatin recipe, send it in now! Thanks for your help! — Heloise

### SEND A GREAT HINT TO:

Heloise  
PO Box 795000  
San Antonio TX 78279-5000  
or fax it to 210-HELOISE

### PLANNED-OVERS

Dear Heloise: The lady who wrote in and said how to fix up leftovers — well, I've been doing that for years except I call them planned-overs.

This saves time; you don't have to start from scratch every meal! — A fan and former San Antonian, Scottsdale, Ariz.

### EXTRA-SPECIAL FISH

Dear Heloise: I roll fish in instant mashed potato mix. It is excellent! — Sharon Lay, Lake Worth, Fla.

### CORN ON THE COB

Dear Heloise: My husband has an efficient way to butter corn on the cob. It is a method that has been in his family for a long time.

He first butters a slice of bread, and then he wraps it around the corn on the cob, rolling the corn until it is fully buttered.

This method saves a napkin, keeps his fingers clean and gives him buttered bread to eat with his meal. — Starla Griffin, Huntington Beach, Calif.

### FROZEN POTATO CHIPS

Dear Heloise: About frozen potato chips: We think they are great and a nice thing to always have on hand, as they stay fresh for so long. Take only as many as needed at a time. — Fred Millett

Dear Heloise: My favorite use for an empty ketchup bottle was thought up by my daughter.

She likes barbecue sauce and she asked me to put it in a ketchup bottle. It works great. Of course, ketchup bottles are also good for dispensing syrup and honey. — Debbie Basham, Baytown, Texas

I have compiled a pamphlet chock-full of great barbecue hints and even some of my favorite barbecue recipes. To receive a copy, please send \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (55 cents) envelope to: Heloise/BBQ, PO Box 795001, San Antonio TX 78279-5001. — Heloise

Dear Heloise: Among my hobbies is one shared by many these days — the making of pretty country-style wreaths and other such decorations.

There are times when thin wire is needed to attach flowers or ornaments. A while back, I was out of craft wire in the midst of a project and discovered I didn't need to purchase more after all.

My solution: the tie wrap that comes on celery and other grocery items. I simply peeled off the paper from the wire and had ample thin, strong wire to finish my project. I

## Senior Citizens

### MENUS

THURSDAY-Polish sausage, barbecue sauce, sauerkraut, oven brown potatoes, stewed tomatoes, peach cobbler, whole wheat bread; or smothered pork chops, peaches.

FRIDAY-Fish nuggets with tartar sauce, macaroni and cheese, Scandinavian vegetables, cabbage/apple slaw, lemon cheese cake, French bread; or ham, D'zerta cheese cake.

MONDAY-Meat loaf with salsa, hashed brown potatoes, whole kernel corn, cucumber and onion salad, pears, cookies, whole wheat bread; or salmon patties, zucchini/tomatoes, cottage cheese.

TUESDAY-Cornflaked baked chicken, baked potatoes with toppings, herbed green beans, carrot/raisin salad, chocolate cake, French bread; or Salisbury steak, peaches.

WEDNESDAY-Staffed bell peppers, rice pilaf, buttered peas, sliced cucumber and tomato in oil, watermelon wedges, oatmeal cookies, French bread; or ham.

### ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil

painting 9-11 a.m., choir practice 1 p.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-4 p.m., health wellness with weigh-in 10 a.m.-12 noon.

FRIDAY-Pool classes, Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Senior Crime Alert 12:30 p.m.-1 p.m.

SATURDAY-Games 12 noon-4 p.m.

MONDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class 1-4 p.m.

TUESDAY-Pool classes, exercise class, decorative tole painting 1-3 p.m., Beltone 10 a.m.-12 noon.

WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., ceramics 1-3 p.m.

## Barn Church will not meet

The regular third Thursday meeting of Barn Church will not be held this week.

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## Hospital Notes

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<b>NOTHING TO LOSE</b> 4:15 - 9:20
<b>GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE</b> Brendan Fraser 1:55 - 4:00 - 7:00 - 9:00
<b>EVENT HORIZON</b> 2:15 - 4:10 - 7:25 - 9:15
<b>CONSPIRACY THEORY</b> 2:20 - 4:35 - 7:20 - 9:35

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# Sports

## Right-hander steals show in duel of top southpaws

**By The Associated Press**  
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
In a matchup of two of the leagues best left-handers, a righty stole the show.

The New York Yankees sent their hottest pitcher, David Wells, to open a nine-game Western swing against Anaheim's biggest winner, Chuck Finley. Neither made it to the fourth inning Tuesday night.

Anaheim right-hander Jason Dickson, making his first relief appearance as a pro, came on when Finley left after 2 2/3 innings with a sprained left wrist, and pitched the final 6 1/2 innings of the Angels' 12-4 victory.

Staked to a 9-3 lead after Anaheim scored seven runs in the first inning off Wells, Dickson held the Yankees to four hits the rest of the way.

**White Sox 5, Blue Jays 3**  
**Blue Jays 6, White Sox 5**

At Chicago, Jason Bere, making his first start since elbow surgery last September, gave up four hits in 5 1/3 innings to give the White Sox a split of their doubleheader.

Carlos Delgado hit a tie-breaking RBI single in the seventh as Toronto scored two runs on two Chicago errors in the opener.

Bere (1-0) gave up no runs, walked three and struck out three. He was pulled after giving up a single to Delgado with one out in the sixth and received a standing ovation.

Chicago's Frank Thomas, who missed Monday's game because of a sore left elbow, went 5-for-7 in the doubleheader to raise his AL-leading average to .345.

**Orioles 12, Royals 9**  
**Royals 9, Orioles 2**

At Kansas City, Ricky Bones pitched a seven-hitter and rookie Jed Hansen drove in four runs as Kansas City split its doubleheader and ended Baltimore's four-game winning streak.

Lenny Webster's three-run homer keyed a six-run third for the Orioles in the opener. Webster went 3-for-5 and tied a career-high with four RBIs.

**Tigers 8, Twins 2**  
Willie Blair won for the ninth time in 10 appearances, and Bob Hamelin, Travis Fryman and Tony Clark hit two-run homers as Minnesota lost its 10th straight.

Blair (13-5) allowed nine hits and struck out seven in his second complete game.

**Brewers 8, Rangers 2**  
At Arlington, Mark Loretta drove in a career-high four runs to lead Milwaukee to its fourth win in five games.

Jose Mercedes (5-7), who had lost five of his previous six decisions, allowed four hits in 5 1/3 innings. He struck out seven and Ron Villone fanned six in 3 1/3 innings, tying Milwaukee's season-high of 13 strikeouts.

**Indians 7, Mariners 5**  
At Seattle, David Justice hit his first grand slam in almost seven years and John Smiley (2-2) allowed seven hits, one walk and struck out three in seven innings for Cleveland.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
The New York Mets are having a hard time escaping losses and Eric Young.

Young, traded from Colorado to Los Angeles a day earlier, got three hits and stole a base, drove in a run and scored one Tuesday night as the Dodgers beat New York 4-2.

Young's performance helped send the Mets to their fourth straight loss. They lost three in a row at Colorado over the weekend as Young went 3-for-8 with two runs in his final three games with the Rockies.

**Braves 4, Astros 3**  
At Houston, John Smoltz (12-10) struck out a season-high 11 in eight innings and Jeff Blauser hit a two-run homer as Atlanta handed Mike Hampton his first loss since June 27.

**Pirates 5, Padres 3**  
Keith Osik's two-run, two-out double finished off Pittsburgh's three-run sixth, and John Lieber (8-12) won at home for the first time since June 30.

**Marlins 8, Cubs 1**  
Bobby Bonilla followed two bases-loaded walks with a grand slam in the fifth, and Alex Fernandez pitched a

four-hitter. Fernandez (16-8) walked one and struck out seven in his fifth complete game. He has won his last six starts and is 3-0 against the Cubs this season.

**Reds 6, Rockies 5**  
At Cincinnati, Jon Nunnally hit a tie-breaking homer and Willie Greene homered and drove in three runs for Cincinnati, which improved to 12-12 under manager Jack McKeon by winning for the seventh time in 10 games.

Nunnally hit a solo homer off Jamey

Wright (6-9) to put the Reds ahead in the fifth, and Greene added a two-run shot off Curist Leskanic in the sixth.

**Giants 9, Phillies 5**  
At Philadelphia, Shawn Estes (16-4) beat the Phillies for the third time this season, and Bill Mueller hit a bases-clearing triple.

Estes allowed five runs and seven hits in six-plus innings. He improved to 8-0 in 10 starts following Giants losses. Mark Lewis added a two-run homer and San Francisco scored five runs in the fifth to stay two games ahead

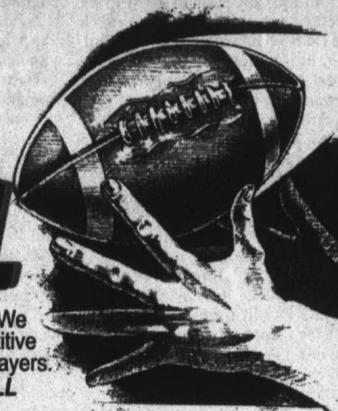
of second-place Los Angeles in the NL West.

**Cardinals 12, Expos 5**  
Ray Lankford hit a three-run homer and scored twice in an eight-run second inning for St. Louis at Montreal.

Gary Gaetti, celebrating his 39th birthday, hit an RBI single in the second and homered for the Cardinals.

Todd Stottlemire (12-8) allowed one run and four hits in five innings, but left after being hit on the shoulder by F.P. Santangelo's RBI single in the fifth.

## Hereford YMCA FLAG FOOTBALL



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**LEAGUE FEE:** Fee will be \$18.00. All participants must be YMCA members. YMCA memberships for youths is \$29.00 per year and includes use of the YMCA facility throughout the year. Expired memberships must be renewed. **\*ENTRY MEMBERSHIP FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM!**

**RESTRICTION:** Elementary grades only. Exception: Kindergarten children who meet the age requirements for the 8 & under division.

For more information please come by the YMCA office and pick up a registration form.  
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## Sports Briefs

**By The Associated Press**  
**BASEBALL**

**ANAHEIM, Calif.** - New York Yankees pitcher David Cone was placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to Monday because of mild tendinitis in his right shoulder.

Cone, 34, underwent surgery 15 months ago for an aneurysm in his right shoulder, but tests confirmed that there is no vascular problem with the shoulder. Cone (12-6) removed himself from the Yankees' 8-0 victory over Texas on Sunday before the second inning.

**MONTREAL** - St. Louis Cardinals first baseman John Mabry fractured his right jaw after being struck in the face by a batted ball during batting practice.

Mabry was standing along the leftfield line and was struck on the right side of his face by a line drive

hit by Montreal's Mark Grudzielanek. X-rays revealed a fractured jaw. No announcement was made on how much time Mabry will miss, but he will need surgery.

**NEW YORK** - New York Mets outfielder Carl Everett and his wife, under investigation for child abuse, will not regain custody of their two children until at least Sept. 5, a Family Court judge ruled.

**TENNIS**  
**COMMACK, N.Y.** - Arnaud Boetsch of France beat Yevgeny Kafelnikov for the third time in four career matches, topping the third-ranked Russian 6-4, 7-6 (8-6) in the first round of the Hamlet Cup.

Second-seeded Goran Ivanisevic of Croatia also advanced, beating qualifier Ramon Delgado of Paraguay 7-5, 6-4.

**BASKETBALL**

**CHARLOTTE, N.C.** - The Charlotte Hornets added another piece to their backcourt, signing free agent shooting guard Bobby Phillips.

Phillips, who played his first six NBA seasons in Cleveland, agreed to a seven-year, \$33 million contract.

**HOCKEY**

**NEW YORK** - For the second time in a week, the NHL ruled in favor of the Philadelphia Flyers in a dispute over rights to restricted free agent Chris Gratton.

Commissioner Gary Bettman decided the trade that would have sent Gratton from Tampa Bay to Chicago was not consummated before the Flyers submitted an offer sheet to the restricted free agent.

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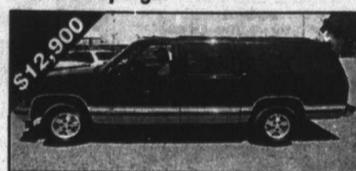
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1997 FALL TENNIS SCHEDULE

Aug. 16	Levelland/Andrews	at Levelland
Aug. 23	Levelland/Plainview	at Lubbock
Sept. 6	Lubbock/Snyder	at Lubbock
Sept. 9	*Borger	at Hereford
Sept. 13	*Pampa	at Pampa
Sept. 20	*Caprock	at Hereford
Sept. 27	*Randall	at Randall
Oct. 4	*Dumas	at Hereford
Oct. 11	*OPEN	
Oct. 18	*Canyon	at Canyon
Oct. 24	Dist. Tourney	TBA
	*District 1-4A match	

As much as 40 to 50 percent of total body heat, depending on how hard the heart is working, can be lost through the head when a person is not wearing a hat.

Junior High Schedules, 1997

Week	8A	8B	7A	7B
Sept. 7-13	at Borger 9/9, 6:30	at Borger 9/9, 5 p.m.	Borger 9/9, 6:30	Borger 9/9, 5 p.m.
Sept. 14-20	Pampa 9/16, 6:30	Pampa 9/16, 5 p.m.	at Pampa 9/16, 6:30	at Pampa 9/16, 5 p.m.
Sept. 21-27	at Canyon 9/23, 6:30	at Canyon 9/23, 5 p.m.	Canyon 9/23, 6:30	Canyon 9/23, 5 p.m.
Sept. 28-30	V. View 9/30, 6:30	V. View 9/30, 5 p.m.	at West. 9/30, 6:30	at West. 9/30, 5 p.m.
Oct. 5-11	at Dumas 10/7, 6:30	at Dumas 10/7, 5 p.m.	Dumas 10/7, 6:30	Dumas 10/7, 5 p.m.
Oct. 12-18	Borger 10/14, 6:30	Borger 10/14, 5 p.m.	at Borger 10/14, 6:30	at Borger 10/14, 5 p.m.
Oct. 19-25	at Pampa 10/21, 6:30	at Pampa 10/21, 5 p.m.	Pampa 10/21, 6:30	Pampa 10/21, 5 p.m.
O28/ Nov. 1	Canyon 10/28, 6:30	Canyon 10/28, 5 p.m.	at Canyon 10/28, 6:30	at Canyon 10/28, 5 p.m.
Nov. 2-8	at V. View 11/4, 6:30	at V. View 11/4, 5 p.m.	West. 11/4, 6:30	West. 11/4, 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

VARSITY AND JUNIOR VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TEAMS	TIMES
Aug. 15	Scrimmage: Coronado Monterey/Andrews	Lubbock	J/V/V	4:00
Aug. 16	Tascosa Scrim.	Hereford	J/V/V	TBA
Aug. 22/23	Ama. Invit Tour	Amarillo	V	TBA
Aug. 23	Hereford JV Tour.	Hereford	JV	TBA
Aug. 26	Ama. High/River Road	Amarillo	J/V/V	5:00
Aug. 29/30	Justin NW Invit Tour	Justin	V	TBA
Aug. 30	Dumas JV Tour	Dumas JV	JV	TBA
Sept. 2	Tascosa	Amarillo	J/V/V	6:00
Sept. 5/6	Seminole Invit. Tour	Seminole	V	TBA
Sept. 9	Amarillo JV Tour	Amarillo	JV	TBA
Sept. 13	Canyon	Canyon	J/V/V	6:00
Sept. 16	Caprock	Hereford	J/V/V	2:00
Sept. 20	Borger	Borger	J/V/V	6:00
Sept. 23	Randall	Hereford	J/V/V	2:00
Sept. 27	Pampa	Pampa	J/V/V	6:00
Sept. 30	Dumas	Hereford	J/V/V	2:00
Oct. 4	River Road	Hereford	J/V/V	6:00
Oct. 7	Canyon	Hereford	J/V/V	TBA
Oct. 11	Caprock	Amarillo	J/V/V	6:00
Oct. 14	Borger	Hereford	J/V/V	2:00
Oct. 18	Randall	Amarillo	J/V/V	6:00
Oct. 21	Pampa	Hereford	J/V/V	2:00
Oct. 25	Dumas	Dumas	J/V/V	6:00
Nov. 1	OPEN			
	PLAY-OFFS BEGIN			

GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Nov. 18	Petersburg	Here	6:30
Nov. 25	Coronado	Here	7:30
Nov. 27-29	Turkey Classic	Franship	
Dec. 2	Dimmitt	There	6:30
Dec. 4-6	Concho Classic	San Angelo	
Dec. 9	Canyon*	Here	7:30
Dec. 12	Dumas*	There	7:30
Dec. 16	Caprock*	Here	6 p.m.
Dec. 19	Borger*	There	6 p.m.
Dec. 29-31	Caprock Tourney	Lubbock	
Jan. 6	Pampa*	Here	6 p.m.
Jan. 9	Open		
Jan. 13	Randall*	There	6 p.m.
Jan. 16	Canyon*	Here	6 p.m.
Jan. 20	Dumas*	There	6 p.m.
Jan. 23	Caprock*	Here	6 p.m.
Jan. 27	Borger*	Here	6 p.m.
Jan. 30	Pampa*	There	6 p.m.
Feb. 3	Open		
Feb. 6	Randall*	Here	6 p.m.

\*District 1-4A



1997 Herd Football Schedule

Aug. 29	at Lovington	7 p.m. MT
Sept. 5	Tascosa	7:30
Sept. 12	Palo Duro	7:30
Sept. 19	at Coronado	7:30
Sept. 26	Borger*	7:30
Oct. 4	at Pampa*	2 p.m.
Oct. 10	Caprock*	7:30
Oct. 17	at Randall*	7:30
Oct. 24	Dumas*	7:30
Oct. 31	OPEN	---
Nov. 7	at Canyon*	7:30

\*District 1-4A

Hereford Football Schedules, 1997

Week	JV	Soph	9A	9B
Sept. 1-8	at Tascosa 9/4, 4:30	Open	at Tascosa 9/4, 4:30	at Tascosa 9/4, 4:30
Sept. 7-13	at Palo Duro 9/11, 4 p.m.	at Franship 9/11, 5 p.m.	at Borger 9/11, 5 p.m.	Open
Sept. 14-20	Coronado 9/18, 7:30	at Dimmitt 9/18, 6:30	Pampa 9/18, 5 p.m.	at Randall 9/20, 10 a.m.
Sept. 21-27	at Borger 9/25, 7 p.m.	Plainview 9/25, 7 p.m.	Borger 9/25, 5 p.m.	Open
Oct. 1-4	Pampa 10/2, 7 p.m.	Open	at Pampa 10/2, 7 p.m.	Randall 10/4, 10 a.m.
Oct. 5-11	at Caprock 10/9, 4:30	Open	Caprock 10/9, 5 p.m.	Open
Oct. 12-18	Randall 10/16, 7 p.m.	Clovis 10/16, 5 p.m.	at Randall 10/16, 5 p.m.	at Randall 10/16, 7 p.m.
Oct. 19-25	at Dumas 10/23, 7 p.m.	Franship 10/23, 5 p.m.	Dumas 10/23, 5 p.m.	Dumas 10/23, 6:30
O28/ Nov. 1	Clovis 10/30, 7 p.m.	at Amarillo 11/1, 10 a.m.	Palo Duro 10/30, 5pm	Palo Duro 10/30, 6:30
Nov. 2-8	Canyon 11/6, 7pm	at Plainview 11/6, 5 p.m.	Canyon 11/6, 5 p.m.	Plainview Red 11/6, 7 p.m.

GOLF

LEMONT, Ill. - Roger Tambellini, a senior at Southern California, shot a 3-under-par 69 to top the 64 match-play qualifiers in the 97th U.S. Amateur Championship.

Tambellini played Cog Hill's No. 2 course after opening with a 5-under 67 on the more difficult Dubsread layout, the site of the match-play competition.

Bryce Molder of Conway, Ark., and Don Padgett III of Akron, Ohio, finished a stroke back at 7-under 137. Molder shot a 68; Padgett had a 69.

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# U.S. trade deficit shows decline in June

WASHINGTON (AP) - The U.S. trade deficit narrowed sharply to \$8.2 billion in June as American exports climbed to an all-time high and imports shrank for the first time in eight months. But the politically sensitive deficits with China and Japan both widened.

The Commerce Department said that the overall deficit shrank by 14.5 percent to \$8.16 billion. It was the smallest imbalance since March and compared to a May trade gap of \$9.54 billion.

Even with the better-than-expected showing in June, the trade deficit for the first half of this year is running at an annual rate of \$111.1 billion, putting the country on track for its worst trade performance since 1988.

Paul Kasriel, an economist at Northern Trust Co. in Chicago, said the June trade improvement could be short-lived, given recent financial market turmoil in several Asian countries.

"The recent currency devaluations

and economic difficulties in Southeast Asia will likely increase our import growth and slow exports to that region," he said.

Financial markets reacted adversely to the trade performance as weaker demand for Treasury's benchmark 30-year bond pushing the yield up to 6.53 percent. Analysts said investors were worried that the boost in export demand could spell inflation troubles down the road.

Trade has remained the one glaring

exception to all the good economic news so far this year.

Despite the fact that President Clinton has sought to make trade a key component of American foreign policy, critics point to the rising deficits and argue that the administration's policies have been a failure resulting in a flood of imports from low-wage countries.

The administration, however, points to the low U.S. unemployment rate and record exports to argue that

the strategy of opening new markets is working.

Clinton has said he will ask Congress next for the "fast-track" authority he needs to expand the North American Free Trade Agreement to other countries in Latin America. That likely will launch a bitter battle pitting Clinton against labor and environmental constituencies in his own party.

For June, the deficit with Mexico, which had climbed to record levels,

narrowed 29 percent to \$1.2 billion as American exports hit an all-time high. The administration has blamed the widening trade gap with Mexico on that country's severe currency crisis in late 1994 and argued, without NAFTA, the situation would have been even worse.

The deficit with China was up 14.5 percent to \$4.3 billion, reflecting big increases in imports of Chinese clothing, shoes and toys. For only the fourth time in history, the deficit with China surpassed the trade gap with Japan, which was also up.

In June, the trade gap with Japan rose by 11.6 percent to \$4.1 billion as imports of Japan at all-time highs,

# Civil war broadens

CHONG CHOM PASS, Thailand (AP) - Cambodian factional fighting spilled across the border into Thailand today when shells fired by the warring sides struck a Thai village.

Nobody was hurt in the village but Thai soldiers who had been put on alert as the fighting neared the border took shelter inside bunkers while Cambodian government troops tried to destroy a resistance artillery base at nearby O'Smach rained shells along the frontier.

Two rockets landed about 300 yards inside Thailand, prompting the Thais to fire two warning shots back across the border.

Mortar rounds hit the center of a small village just a few hundred yards from Thailand, prompting Thai commanders to call for reinforcements in case fighting spilled over the border.

As many as 5,000 resistance troops loyal to deposed Premier Norodom Ranariddh were spread across a 15-mile front, said Boonthon Yen, an official from Ranariddh's party.

The government of Hun Sen, who ousted the prince in a coup last month, has massed 7,000 troops at O'Puok, four miles inside Cambodia. From there, they have been slowly encircling O'Smach, the largest remaining town controlled by Ranariddh's troops, Thai army officers said on condition of anonymity.

Thai army officers said they expected O'Smach would fall by Thursday if not sooner. Hun Sen's forces have been taking heavy casualties, said the Thai regional commander, Maj. Gen. Chirasak Prommopakorn.

Boonthon Yen said small contingents of government troops were attacking opposition forces at many points along the front, but resistance soldiers were retaliating with machine guns, rocket-propelled grenades, artillery and mortars.

Also, Khmer Rouge guerrillas were laying land mines behind Hun Sen's troops to booby trap them if and when they retreat, he said.

About 300 more refugees fled to Thailand today to join the 35,000 who crossed to safety since fighting intensified Monday.

In the weeks since the July 5-6 coup, Hun Sen's forces have pushed Ranariddh's men back more than 60 miles to O'Smach, where the opposition is making a desperate final stand.

Ranariddh and Hun Sen became co-premiers after U.N.-supervised elections in 1993. Before then, they were battlefield enemies, with Hun Sen the head of a Vietnam-installed government, and Ranariddh and the Khmer Rouge allied against him.

Hun Sen justified his coup by alleging the prince had endangered national security and illegally imported weapons.

Ranariddh, who was abroad during the coup and has been seeking to rally international support for his restoration, declared today that he remains the legal first prime minister under Cambodian law.

Ranariddh said all changes brought about by Hun Sen's coup are "illegal" and violate the 1991 peace accords, the 1993 election, the constitution and other laws.

"It has been a clear and constant rule that all important decisions by the Royal Government of Cambodia, especially those committing Cambodia as a nation, be signed jointly by the two prime ministers," said Ranariddh in a statement faxed to The Associated Press.

His remarks came hours after government soldiers scaled Phnom Snuap, a hill overlooking O'Smach, and fired late Monday on the town, sending the 35,000 refugees streaming into Thailand.

Thai army officers said Hun Sen's forces advanced closer to O'Smach today, taking another town called Chodpodtang.

"We are at a big disadvantage," said a resistance soldier who identified himself only as Veera. "They have plenty of rockets and also some weapons made by the United States. We don't have anything like that."

Refugees were receiving food and other aid this morning from the Red Cross in Thailand.

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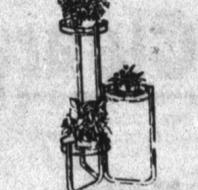


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# NYC police officers being recalled from Haitian duty

NEW YORK (AP) - New York City police officers working in Haiti to tame its notoriously brutal police force will come home to help out in the precinct where four officers are accused of torturing a Haitian immigrant by sodomizing him with a stick.

The group of about 10 Haitian-American officers are part of a United Nations team. They can "relate to that portion of the community that is Haitian" in the neighborhood including the 70th

Precinct, Police Commissioner Howard Safir said.

The officers would join a contingent of black officers Safir plans to transfer to the Brooklyn precinct.

Abner Louima, who remains hospitalized with a torn colon and other injuries, demanded through his lawyers a settlement in his \$55 million claim against the city. At a news conference in Brooklyn, attorney Sanford Rubenstein called on city officials "to begin the healing

process and accept responsibility and admit what happened to Abner Louima."

His family said he "still believes in the police" and is praying for the city.

Louima, 30, was arrested after a scuffle with police outside a Brooklyn nightclub on Aug. 9. Authorities say he was beaten by the four officers on the way to the stationhouse, and then was sodomized with the wooden handle of a toilet plunger in the precinct's bathroom while in

handcuffs. Louima said the attackers used racial slurs.

A second Haitian immigrant came forward and accused police from the 70th Precinct of beating him the same night that Louima was tortured.

Alan Abramson, a lawyer for Patrick Antoine, was arrested along with Louima outside the nightclub when he was passing by and got caught up in the brawl that had broken out there. Abramson said officers - including Justin Volpe, one of those charged in the Louima attack

- hit Antoine on the street outside the nightclub and again in a squad car. The New York Times reported today.

Police dropped all charges against Antoine on Tuesday, including an allegation that he had assaulted Volpe.

In the Louima case, Volpe and Charles Schwarz were arraigned Monday on state charges of assault and sexual abuse. Both pleaded innocent and were freed on \$100,000 bail.

Two more police officers, Thomas Wiese and Thomas Bruder, were arrested Monday and charged with beating Louima earlier, before he arrived at the stationhouse.

## Israelis retaliate

BAALBEK, Lebanon (AP) - Israel retaliated today for rocket attacks on its northern settlements by sending jets to bomb suspected guerrilla bases in Lebanon.

The fighter jets also bombed an electricity pylon in southern Lebanon, downing lines from the power plant at Jiye, 15 miles south of Beirut. Hundreds of Lebanese homes and businesses lost their electricity.

Israel said the attack on the Lebanese utility - the first since April 1996 - was intended to punish Lebanon, which is still trying to recover from its 1975-90 civil war.

The Israeli raid was the latest in a series of violent exchanges since Monday that have taken the lives of at least nine Lebanese civilians and wounded dozens of people in southern Lebanon and northern Israel.

The spiraling violence threatened a 1996 U.S.-brokered agreement among the warring parties not to target civilians. A five-nation commission monitoring the agreement was to meet today to discuss the increasing hostilities.

A statement issued by the Israeli army in Jerusalem said: "Israeli planes also hit a high-tension line near the (southern Lebanese) city of Sidon in order to make clear to the Lebanese government that it must start reining in Hezbollah and stop Hezbollah attacks on Israeli settlements and on the security zone."

The zone is an Israeli-occupied enclave in southern Lebanon.

The latest tit-for-tat exchanges began Monday when a South Lebanon Army unit fired artillery shells into Sidon, killing six people and wounding at least 35.

The Iranian-backed Hezbollah, or Party of God, responded by firing toward the SLA attackers, and at least one battery of the Lebanese army reportedly joined in.

On Tuesday, Hezbollah gunners fired at least 45 rockets into northern Israel, slightly injuring three Israelis.

Israel blamed Monday's incident on a "rogue commander" but said today that it has no plans to remove the commander of an Israeli-backed militia in south Lebanon who ordered his artillery to shell Sidon.

Brig. Gen. Oded Ben-Ami, the army spokesman, said the army had urged Gen. Antoine Lahd, the former Lebanese army officer who commands the 2,500-member militia, to use restraint in the future.

"We asked him to be much more reasonable when he is acting or reacting," Ben-Ami told the Foreign Press Association. "I believe that the message was clear enough to the general."

The Israeli army statement said today's attack was "in response to the firing of dozens of Katyushas yesterday into northern Israel."

Israel's main target was suspected Hezbollah hideouts in eastern Lebanon. Four jets fired six missiles at a Hezbollah base near Janta, a village about 40 miles east of Beirut.

There were no immediate reports of guerrilla casualties. But Lebanese hospital officials said four civilians - two of them children - were treated after the attack.

Israel also fired a missile into an orange grove near Toufahta, between Sidon and Tyre. The Lebanese army maintains 155 mm howitzer batteries in the area.

The Israeli army statement said the target was an artillery battery of the Lebanese army, which it said had joined in battles Monday.

Israel has occupied its so-called "security zone" in southern Lebanon since 1985 to try to protect its northern settlements from cross-border guerrilla raids. The zone is patrolled by about 1,500 Israeli soldiers and 2,500 members of the SLA.

Hezbollah has pledged to drive the Israelis and their allies out of Lebanon.

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# Diane Keaton is comfortable with post-50 life, career

By LYNN ELBER  
AP Television Writer  
LOS ANGELES (AP) - The years have liberated Diane Keaton from the burden of sex appeal. Or so she declares.

Sleek and leggy in a leather pantsuit, her smile as beguiling as in her "Annie Hall" days, the actress is still a knockout. Whether her looks belie her words, Keaton, 51, does seem at ease with growing older.

"I feel more freedom not feeling as though I have to be attractive to men. And that's kinda nice because then I feel then if men like me, they like me because they like me."

"There's pluses and minuses. Sometimes you remember, like, eh... But there is a positive aspect to that," she concludes, inconclusively.

As with Annie Hall, her Oscar-winning character from Woody

Allen's 1977 comedy, Keaton's elliptical patter is as intriguing for the words that get left out as for the ones so freely scattered.

For instance, did she enjoy capitalizing on her youthful sexuality?

"What came of that was a lot of self-consciousness and worry and did they or didn't they and time spent worrying about that," replies Keaton, once romantically linked with the likes of Allen and Warren Beatty. She's now a single mom to young daughter Dexter.

Seasoning is valuable on the professional as well as personal front, says Keaton, interviewed in connection with her latest project, the TV movie "Northern Lights" (7 p.m. EDT Saturday on the Disney Channel).

"Sandy Meisner, my acting

teacher when I was in my 20s in New York, in the Neighborhood Playhouse, always said to us kids 'Wait until you get a little experience...'"

"He's right. I think I bring different things at different times to roles, what I'm interested in, the things that touch me or move me," says Keaton.

In Hollywood, the attitude toward actresses is generally the younger, the better - making Keaton's thriving career a hefty brick through the glass ceiling.

She shared in the success of last year's "First Wives Club" with Goldie Hawn and Bette Midler. This year, Keaton received an Oscar nomination for "Marvin's Room" and just nabbed a starring role in a new film, "The Other Sister."

Television also has welcomed her. "Northern Lights," an offbeat

comedy-drama, is her third movie for television (after "Amelia Earhart" and "Running Mates").

Keaton plays Roberta Blumstein, a brassy New York widow, childless, who comes to a New England town for her brother's funeral and discovers she has joint guardianship of his young son.

Blumstein also bumps up against the town's truly eccentric residents. It's a juicy role for Keaton, decked out in mock Chanel suits, a high-glam helmet of a wig and assorted neuroses.

Although the movie has echoes of her 1987 picture "Baby Boom," Keaton says Blumstein is different, "about the least lovable person I've

ever seen."

"I never really had a part like her, not quite like her, saying what she thinks every minute of the day and having an attitude. It's like one of the Bea Arthur characters, they always have a comment," Keaton said.

Keaton also gets to warble a bit, which she considers a treat: "One of the best things in life is to sing."

Despite an impressive collection of roles in film including "The Godfather," "Looking for Mr. Goodbar" and "Reds," and praise as a director for "Unstrung Heroes," Keaton couldn't avoid a career slump.

She was ignored, she said, after "The Good Mother" flopped with audiences in 1988.

"I couldn't get a job when I did 'Father of the Bride'" in 1991, said Keaton, crediting the film's creators, Nancy Meyers and Charles Shyer, with her hiring. The trio had worked together on "Baby Boom."

The role in "Marvin's Room" was due to co-star Meryl Streep, Keaton said.

"She's the one who said 'Diane,' and I don't think they particularly wanted me at Miramax, I know they didn't. But she kept on it, and (producer) Scott Rudin did, too."

Hot, cool, hot again. The actress, looking reflective, delivers her appraisal - and it's pure Keaton:

"Yeah, interesting, the whole thing."

## Central Texas women trying to revive art of china painting

WACO, Texas - Dianne Moore and Barbara Bessire can paint on about anything: Tiles, plates, cups, saucers, steins. And they can pretty much paint any type of scene you want.

Ms. Moore recently painted a set of tiles to look like a big artichoke, with two ladybugs flitting about nearby. Those tiles are in a Woodway home, decorating the wall behind a stove.

Ms. Moore, from McGregor, and Ms. Bessire, of Hewitt, took up porcelain painting about three years ago. Ms. Bessire had been painting on fabric, "but I started on china and now I don't want to do anything else."

The tiles the women paint are used for backsplashes for kitchen sinks, borders above wallpaper and in bathrooms. Ms. Moore is currently

painting a floral scene on tile for her own bathroom.

Cost of a tile design varies, Ms. Moore said, depending on the pattern chosen and how large an area needs to be covered. An average price is about \$35 per 8-by-8-inch tile.

When the tile or porcelain piece is first painted, it has a "loose look, like a watercolor," Ms. Bessire said. As long as the piece hasn't been "fired," the paint can be wiped off if the look isn't quite right.

Once the artist is satisfied with her painting, the first firing takes place. The piece is placed in a kiln and baked at 2,300 degrees for three hours. This allows the paint to melt into the glaze, Ms. Bessire explained.

The tile or porcelain must cool in the kiln for eight hours. Another layer of paint can then be applied.

"China paint goes on in layers,"

Ms. Bessire said, with paint being added at different times offering varying intensity of color.

Ms. Bessire and Ms. Moore are also in the middle of painting a bunch of small tiles, a bit bigger than Scrabble letter squares, that will be turned into refrigerator magnets to be given away at an upcoming garden show.

"They're going to show what you can do in china paints," Ms. Bessire said.

Ms. Bessire and Ms. Moore are both members of the Porcelain Art Guild of Waco and are attempting to revive interest in the club. Many of the members of the guild are elderly, Ms. Moore said, and they are hoping to attract younger members and interest others in the art.

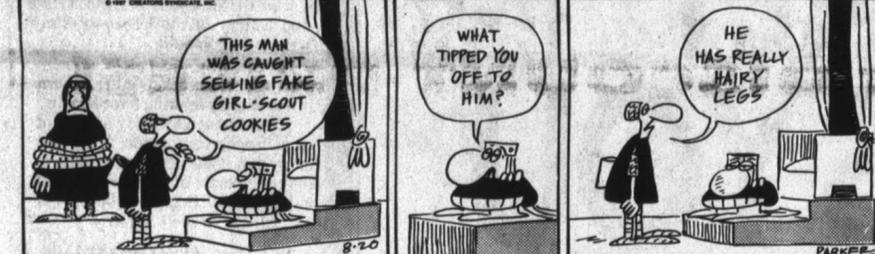
"These are the antiques of tomorrow," Ms. Bessire said.

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This Morning				Ricki Lake	Price is Right	Young and the Restless	News	News	News	News
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(6:45) Movie: 12 Angry Men	Henry Fonda.	Movie: Walt Until Spring, Bandini 'PG'	(15) Movie: True Grit (1969) John Wayne, Glen Campbell. ***1/2 'G'	(15) Movie: Down Periscope	Movie: Mr. Write Paul Reiser. ** 'PG-13'	Movie: Congo (1995) Dylan Walsh, Laura Linney. 'PG-13'	Movie: Deliver Them	Movie: Scandal Sheet **1/2	Movie: The Arrival (1996) Charlie Sheen, Ron Silver.	Movie: Dracula Has Risen
Movie: Her Cardboard	Movie: Public Enemy (1931) ***	Movie: Public Enemy's Wife (1936) **	Movie: In Saigon: Some May Live (1966)	(Off Air)	Club Dance	VideoMorning	Dallas	Aleene's Crafts	Wildhorse	Wildhorse
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Law & Order	Columbo	Cosby Mysteries	New Mike Hammer	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy	Quincy
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# 'Hell on Wheels': Author encourages others to battle disability

By ED TODD

**Midland Reporter-Telegram**  
MIDLAND, Texas - There is no doubt that Jean Starnes has won the race against her toughest competitor - herself.

She's still racing. And in striving to win her independence and to sway able-bodied people to become more cognizant of the similarities among all people, especially those who are handicapped, Ms. Starnes has overcome the limiting disabilities associated with cerebral palsy.

"I am so grateful when I can advance sensitivity," Ms. Starnes writes in her 1997 autobiography, "Hell on Wheels: The Jean Starnes Story."

The Midlander, who is a retired teacher and counselor, has authored the 125-page book to inspire people to become aware of their talents, potential, and capabilities and to "encourage other people with handicaps ... (to) do whatever they want to do (and to) make people think.

"We're not dumb just because we are in wheelchairs," Ms. Starnes said.

Indeed, for her, the wheelchair became "an object of freedom."

Ms. Starnes - who was motivated by a tough-love family that refused to just let her sit and waste away in self-pity and excuses and to fling her limbs and head with limited control - chronicles her life with humor, wit, compassion, and anecdotes.

She had rewritten the book four times in her office at home and suffered a closet-full of rejections before she landed a publisher.

"My mother always told me, 'You won't be happy just sitting.' I think she over-taught that. I am rather independent."

She is not one to just sit and languish.

Despite her disability - since her birth in West Texas in the early 1930s - Ms. Starnes has realized the

American dream in a "Wonder Woman" sort of way.

She earned a bachelor's and two master's degrees to become a teacher, counselor and associate psychologist and earned prestigious humanitarian awards in her field. She drives her own car and owns her own home. She adopted a child, Ricky, now 30, who is "so proud of me" and who is a blessing in her life. She was married and divorced. She travels independently and learned to swim and walk.

But walking with "duck shoes" and braces was laborious, though it did keep her legs straight. So, she opted to get around faster in a wheelchair, later in a cart similar to a golf cart, and in the agile three-wheeled battery-powered vehicle. And, when she is traveling across town or through the country side, Ms. Starnes drives her mini-van that is equipped with a draw bridge to get her in and of the van by way of the three-wheeled vehicle.

Of all the book's qualities, it is her frankness and candor that lends credibility and impact to the work.

"People would wonder," she said, for example, about her sexuality and her now ex-husband's impotency, "and I didn't want them to wonder." As she candidly noted in the book, "The honeymoon was uneventful."

Other than that, her husband, who "tried to make our marriage work, wanted a mother instead of a wife. I wanted a sex partner and a daddy for Ricky. We both failed to meet each others' needs."

Beyond that, she teased: "In my family, we don't kiss and tell."

Ms. Starnes, who was raised in Rankin and Fort Worth and who later lived in Midland, Austin, and Houston, earned advanced degrees from the University of Houston in education and psychology. She worked at state schools in Austin as a counselor and taught in Midland at the Opportunity Center, operated by the Midland Association for Retarded

Citizens (MARC).

Her awards include the Texas Rehabilitation Commission's "Governor's Citation," 1979; Texas Association for Retarded Children's "Outstanding Professional" in Texas, 1960; Pilot International disabled professional woman-of-the-year award for community service, 1990; and Tops in Texas Award for "her devotion and dedication to the cause of humanity in working with handicapped children," 1970. She was featured in Pat Dishman's book, "Ten Who Overcame."

The second of unexpected twins, her birth was delayed by oversight, and oxygen to her brain apparently was cut off briefly and resulted in the sometimes-erratic movements associated with cerebral palsy.

"My parents gave me the strength to persevere until I accomplished whatever I set out to do," Ms. Starnes reflected in her book, "whether it was learning to swim or obtaining a college degree. I have always been grateful for the wisdom and stamina of my parents, who did whatever was necessary to enable me to develop into a productive person."

In fact, her parents purposefully separated the sisters in class for fear that her twin, Joanne, would unduly help her "sistie" and thereby inhibit her progress toward independence.

Early in her childhood, while she was away from home in a cerebral palsy school in Florida, she viewed a classmate who "drooled excessively" and vowed to quit her drooling by

discipline and soon did.

"I had never been around handicapped people," Ms. Starnes reflected. "I didn't know how I was supposed to act."

In growing up, Ms. Starnes recalled feeling flattered that her breasts developed and people noticed. At age 18, she fell in love with a 6-foot-3, 19-year-old from Tennessee.

"I was quite cute back in those days," she said.

Ms. Starnes, who is a Christian Science practitioner, recalled putting the power of prayer to test when she feared she was drowning in the swimming pool at home. "God help me!" she prayed. "At that moment, I reached up and caught Daddy's hand, and he pulled me to the top. When all else fails, prayer works."

She said that some people had qualms about hiring her as a teacher, and "will always be grateful to Wade Whiteley for his support and insistence" in the late 1950s that she be given a chance to teach for the Midland Council For Retarded Children, now MARC.

"I enjoyed teaching," she writes, "and the individuality of each pupil. They worked so hard for just a little praise ... The challenges of teaching young children with mental retardation made me feel vitally alive and active."

Ms. Starnes said that "one of my primary goals in the Opportunity Center was to get them (the students) to talk."

By 1968, Ms. Starnes was driving

her golf cart about town and, by 1972, she was driving an automobile with speed and dispatch.

Once, after she had parked the cart at a Midland drive-in restaurant, Ms. Starnes overheard a man in the next car remark to his young daughter: "What is she doing here? Why is she driving on the streets? I don't think they should let people like her out in public. She should be kept in an institution somewhere."

At first, Ms. Starnes didn't realize that he was talking about her, but when she did, she became flabbergasted and angry and hurt and felt compassion for the embarrassed girl who was a victim of her father's prejudice.

When she made the transition from cart to car, "I felt very excited and rather scared at the same time" just as she did when she went from swimming to diving.

In her quest for independence, Ms. Starnes said that over the years people became more accepting of their handicapped brothers and sisters.

Of her trials in gaining independence, Ms. Starnes writes that "My struggle for more freedom may not have been more difficult than for other people, but it has been different. It is my hope that this book encourages everyone to vie for their own independence and not give up."

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## To Your Good Health

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** What is Reiter's syndrome? I've been dating someone for six months, and he just told me he has this disease. What is it? Can I catch it through kissing? Is it sexually transmitted? — C.

**ANSWER:** Reiter's syndrome generally has three signs. One is a discharge from the penis. The urethra — the drainage tube passing from the bladder through the penis — is inflamed. Its inflammation produces a discharge.

The second Reiter's sign is the achy, painful joints of arthritis.

The third is conjunctivitis, inflammation of the mucus membrane covering the front part of the eye — which does not appear in all patients. About a third of all patients demonstrate all three manifestations.

The syndrome appears to result from an immune-system response activated by a prior infection of the digestive tract or the genital organs.

The genital infection is often due to the Chlamydia germ, which can be transmitted sexually.

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ity. Intestinal infections can lead to it. Again, if your partner has been treated, you need not worry.

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I gained weight after I stopped smoking. I am not eating more food, so why did I put on these extra pounds? — Z.Y.

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**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I read that endorphins were just as addictive as morphine. Do you agree? — R.V.K.

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Don't fear them. You don't become addicted to your own body's chemicals.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible.

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**Help Your Heart Recipes**

*This recipe is intended to be part of an overall healthful eating plan. Total fat intake should be less than 30 percent of your total calories for a day — not for each food or recipe.*

**Mexican Corn, Zucchini, and Tomatoes**  
*Elote y Calabacitos y Tomatoes*

1	tablespoon acceptable* margarine	seeded, and diced
1	medium onion, sliced	¼ cup low-sodium chicken broth
2	cloves garlic, minced	½ teaspoon salt
2	cups fresh or frozen corn (about 8 ounces)	½ teaspoon ground coriander seeds
1	pound zucchini, thinly sliced crosswise	¼ teaspoon black pepper
2	large tomatoes, peeled,	1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro

In a large skillet, melt the margarine over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic and sauté for 2 minutes, or until tender. Add the remaining ingredients except fresh cilantro. Bring mixture to a simmer over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to low and cook, partially covered, for 4 to 5 minutes, or until vegetables are just tender; do not overcook. Stir in the cilantro and remove pan from heat. Serve warm or cold.

Serves 6; ½ cup per serving

\* Select margarine with liquid vegetable oil as the first ingredient and no more than 2 grams of saturated fat per tablespoon.

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## Romance novel publisher chooses writer from Rising Star for spring marketing blitz

By LORETTA FULTON  
Abilene Reporter-News

RISING STAR, Texas—She looks more like the church organist than a writer of steamy romance novels. In fact she's both. With shortly cropped hair, large glasses, discreet turtleneck and a silver and turquoise cross dangling from a chain necklace, Linda George looks every bit the church organist she once was.

She definitely doesn't look the part of romance novelist Madeline George, the pseudonym on her paperback, "Gabriel's Heart," which will be published next spring by Harlequin—a name as synonymous with romance as Romeo.

Each year Harlequin selects four new authors, and they are featured in the publishing house's March Madness marketing blitz.

It's the big break that every aspiring romance writer is looking for, the opportunity to cash in on an extremely lucrative market.

"People think that romance novels are just trashy little throw aways," Mrs. George said. "That's just not true. It's an enormous industry."

Mrs. George's novel, set in Denver in 1882, will be published by Harlequin Historicals. The company's contemporary romance novels are published by Harlequin Silhouette.

Getting published by Harlequin is like winning the Lotto. Suddenly you're "somebody" and everybody wants to know your secret for success.

Mrs. George, who lives with her family near Rising Star 60 miles southeast of Abilene, is so sought after that her speaking engagements are taking up valuable writing time.

Later this summer she will speak at the National Romance Writers of America conference in Orlando, Fla.,

and at the Colorado Gold conference in Denver. She also will critique entries in a Southwestern writers competition in Albuquerque, N.M.

It's a long way from Mrs. George's first published writing—a short story titled "His Lovely Wildflower" for a Sunday School publication back in 1979. Since then she has had other work published but "Gabriel's Heart" will be her first published novel.

Mrs. George, a native of Levelland and a graduate of Seminole High School, earned a degree in elementary education in 1971 from the University of Texas at El Paso. After vacillating between her job as a teacher and a career as a full-time writer, Mrs. George finally decided on the latter ten years ago. She jokes that she taught school 10 years over a 16-year period, quitting periodically to try her luck as a professional writer.

In 1994 Mrs. George attended a weeklong workshop at the Taos School of Writing that decided her future. She came home and spent a year writing a time travel novel that is waiting to be published when Mrs. George believes she has enough of a following to try for hardback publication.

As much as she enjoyed that genre, Mrs. George found her niche in historical romance novels.

"My agent said my historical books had an aura, a sound, a texture that the others didn't have," Mrs. George said.

Part of the fun of that type writing is the research, Mrs. George said. She and her husband, Charles, who has resigned his job as an Early High School teacher to help his wife with her writing career, travel the country doing meticulous research for Mrs. George's novels.

"I'm extremely careful to make sure everything is right," she said. Her research comes from books, observation, old photos and descriptions and interviews.

Mrs. George said she quickly sets people straight if they think romance novel writing is something anybody could do.

"It's very difficult," she said. "You have one man, one woman and one conflict."

Every story must involve those three elements.

"You must as the author be creative enough to make that story new and creative and different from all the rest," Mrs. George said.

Although her romance novels are what everyone wants to hear about, Mrs. George is also coming into own in other areas. She writes young adult non-fiction for Capstone publishers and for Grolier's Children's Press on topics as varied as koala bears and Alcatraz.

This time next year Mrs. George will have 20 books in publication including 18 young adult books and two historical romances, "Gabriel's Heart," and a sequel, "Tom's Angel."

She also has one children's book in print, but the historical romances are what keeps Mrs. George going as a writer. She concentrates on a 10-year period, the 1880s, in order to keep the research focused and because she loves that decade.

"For some reason I'm drawn to those 10 years," she said.

Mrs. George insists that her stories are not pornographic as some people might think.

"They're love scenes, not sex scenes," she said. "There is a limit to what you do."

Mrs. George said her children, Christy, 19, and Alex, 16, are used to

being kidded about their mom the romance writer who at one time was organist at the Methodist church in Bangs.

"They're extremely proud of me," she said. Her friends, too, are proud to know her and frequently ask when the next book is coming out.

"It's validation after all these years," Mrs. George said.

Mrs. George said she, too, is sometimes teased about the subject matter of her books. But her husband may get even more attention than she does.

"People want to know if everything in that book comes from real life," she said.

Mrs. George's success came about through years of hard work, perseverance and a thick skin. When she is asked to speak at workshops her topic usually deals with rejection. She's had her share of that and now she's enjoying the fruits of her work and frustration.

She is happy where she is and has no illusion of someday being on required reading lists for English courses.

"I want to sell historical romances," she said. "I don't have visions of the New York Times bestseller list."

With three sequels planned to "Gabriel's Heart" and other ideas waiting to be turned into stories, Mrs. George's future seems to have arrived, especially with her husband being able to help her full time.

"We're pretty confident at this point," she said.

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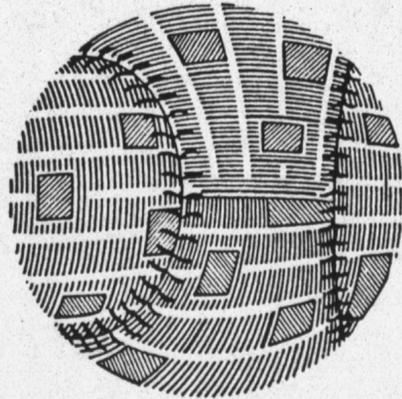
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Price	Oct Dec Feb Oct Dec Feb
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80	1.10 1.15 1.20 1.25 1.30 1.35
90	1.00 1.05 1.10 1.15 1.20 1.25
100	0.90 0.95 1.00 1.05 1.10 1.15
110	0.80 0.85 0.90 0.95 1.00 1.05
120	0.70 0.75 0.80 0.85 0.90 0.95
130	0.60 0.65 0.70 0.75 0.80 0.85
140	0.50 0.55 0.60 0.65 0.70 0.75
150	0.40 0.45 0.50 0.55 0.60 0.65
160	0.30 0.35 0.40 0.45 0.50 0.55
170	0.20 0.25 0.30 0.35 0.40 0.45
180	0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25 0.30 0.35
190	0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25 0.30
200	0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25

CORN (CBT) 5,000 bu., 100 lbs. per bu.	
Strike	Call/Put
Price	Oct Dec Feb Oct Dec Feb
2.10	0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25 0.30 0.35
2.20	0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25 0.30
2.30	0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25
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2.50	0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25
2.60	0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25
2.70	0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25
2.80	0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25
2.90	0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20 0.25
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**AUSTIN** — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock last week created a special Senate committee to examine the state's open government process to determine if access to government records can be improved for all Texans.

Bullock, who presides over the Senate, picked Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, to chair the Senate Interim Committee.

The lieutenant governor also appointed Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria, Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, Sen. John Carona, R-Dallas and Sen. Eliot Shapleigh, D-El Paso, to serve on the committee. "The study is designed to explore all aspects of the Public Information Act and pinpoint areas of concern within the current framework — if they exist," Bullock said.

"The people of Texas have a genuine right to know how their government is being run. While agencies have an obligation to keep government open to public view, they also should have the opportunity to do so in a reasonable and resourceful way."

The committee will consider access to open records, roadblocks by government agencies, costs of providing information, abuses of the process, privacy issues and technological advances.

Bullock asked the committee to submit a status report by March 1, 1998 and a final report by Oct. 1, 1998. The panel is to make recommendations to the Legislature in 1999 if it is determined that problems exist in the public information process, Bullock said.

**Nursing Home Exec Punished**

The Texas Board of Nursing Home Administrators voted 8-0 last week to place a Rockdale nursing home administrator on probation for six months.

According to a 1994 report, state inspectors found urine and fecal odors, filthy linens and rooms; roaches in the kitchen and flies on residents; a broken emergency call button system; and bottles of prescription medication in an unlocked box on the floor of the administrator's office.

In the four years the state board has been in existence, the Rockdale case is the only one that has resulted in the punishment of a nursing home administrator.

The board, however, voted to close 109 cases of complaints against nursing home administrators.

On Sept. 1, the board's duties will transfer to and office in the Texas Department of Human Services, which licenses and inspects the nearly 1,200 nursing homes in Texas.

The Texas Legislature voted to create that office after the *Austin American-Statesman* reported on the failure of the current, industry-dominated board to punish administrators of substandard homes.

**Voters Approve Tax Break**

About 94 percent of those who cast ballots in the Aug. 11 constitutional amendment election voted in favor of the tripling of the homestead tax exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

The tax break will save the average homeowner about \$140 a year.

Gov. George W. Bush lauded

the results. "The people endorsed my efforts and the efforts of the Legislature to cut property taxes," he said.

The final count was 690,678 votes for the \$1 billion property tax cut and 41,388 against.

In November, voters will decide on 14 other proposed constitutional amendments, including whether increases in property values should be capped at 10 percent per year.

**Math Scores Up, English Down**

Texas students showed improved math skills on the ACT test this year, but English and reading scores dipped slightly, according to test results released last week.

Assessing the scores, Education Commissioner Mike Moses said he believes a statewide focus on reading in the early grades and new curriculum standards will help turn around the dip in English and reading scores.

On math, the average Texas score rose from 19.9 in 1996 to 20.2 this year.

**Other Capital Highlights**

After Dec. 31, the public will no longer have access to audits that determine whether oil and gas companies are paying the royalty they owe the state for operating on public land in West Texas. Gov. Bush signed the audit-closing legislation into law in June.

Under a plan signed by Education Commissioner Mike Moses and officials from Spain, teachers from Spain will be allowed to teach in Texas classrooms for one to six years. Under the same initiative, Texas teachers who teach Spanish will exchange jobs for one year with Spanish educators who teach English.

The Texas Lottery Commission is considering contracting with more than one company to operate its online games. Vendors who want to bid must file a letter of intent by Aug. 22 and submit a proposal by Dec. 3. The commission will announce the winners, if any, in March.

# Tobacco firms to provide ingredients, nicotine level

**BOSTON (AP)** — Starting in December, tobacco companies must reveal the ingredients and nicotine levels of their cigarettes to Massachusetts officials.

Greg Connolly, director of the state's tobacco control program, said the state's first-in-the-nation disclosure law could set up a new kind of competition among tobacco companies over who makes a healthier product.

"If we really want to get to less harmful products, we have to give the consumers accurate information," he said. "We're going to make them compete on issues of safety."

The disclosure law, passed last year, was immediately challenged by Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.,

Lorillard Tobacco Co., Philip Morris Inc. and R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., as well as the makers of smokeless tobacco products.

The Public Health Council, which is the state Department of Public Health's policymaking body, voted unanimously Tuesday to approve the regulations. Hours later, a federal appeals court issued a 25-page decision ruling that the requirement is constitutional.

The list of additives for each brand of cigarette would have to be submitted by Dec. 15. The state Health Department would then determine what ingredients should be disclosed to the public to reduce health risks. After getting a ruling from the attorney general, the

department could publicize the information.

Companies also would have to test for nicotine levels and report them to the state. Connolly said that, in recognition that the testing will take time, companies would have to report levels for only 50 brands by Dec. 15. Reports for 150 brands would be due a year later.

Tobacco companies said they didn't have enough time to comply by the deadline.

Compliance may be "a practical impossibility," tobacco industry attorney David Remes said in a letter to the state.

Connolly said, however, that "We have bent over backwards to let this industry comply."

# 75 feared dead after Winnie slams China

**BEIJING (AP)** — The high winds and torrential rains of Typhoon Winnie have left as many as 75 people dead or missing in eastern China and flooded thousands of homes.

The death toll was expected to rise as information came in from outlying areas, local officials said today.

At least 50 people were dead or missing in Taizhou in Jiangsu province northwest of Shanghai, according to an official in the city's foreign affairs office who gave his name as Mr. Lu.

Winnie killed 19 people in coastal Zhejiang province before moving north through Jiangsu to Anhui

province, where it dumped torrential rains before dissipating, the newspaper China Daily said.

The report did not give details. News reports Tuesday said there were six typhoon-related deaths in the region. It was unclear whether the latest report included only new fatalities.

# Mir crew preps for mission

**MOSCOW (AP)** — The batteries of the Mir space station soaked up the sun's energy today while its Russian-American crew prepared for one of the most dangerous spacewalks in history.

"The station is flying in an oriented position toward the sun," said Mission Control spokesman Valery Lyndin. "The batteries are being charged and preparations for the spacewalk are under way."

Deputy mission chief Igor Goncharov said because of new battery power the crew also began switching on the gyroscopes, which give the station permanent orientation in space.

Russian officials, who have scheduled the spacewalk for Friday, are determined to keep the aging space outpost flying into the 21st century despite a series of accidents and malfunctions that included a collision with a cargo ship in June.

In the latest near-disaster aboard the Mir, the information exchange module of the station's main computer failed Monday during docking with a supply ship, leaving the station twisting in orbit for several hours.

Viktor Blagov, the deputy flight chief, told The Associated Press today that the modem-type device was old and "simply failed at the worst possible moment, otherwise nobody would have heard about it."

He said the Russian space mission has a "well-thought-out policy regarding certain pieces of equipment."

"If we replaced this piece earlier, that would have taken much longer work time. By keeping the old piece in operation, we were saving the crew's time and of course money," Blagov said.

"But this policy does not refer to all on-board equipment," he said, adding that all life-support system

parts are replaced automatically when they reach their expiration date.

The malfunction Monday was serious enough to knock out the orientation system that keeps Mir's solar panels aligned with the sun. Without control over which way Mir is pointing in space, its solar batteries lost power, forcing the crew to shut down many systems.

By Tuesday, the computer was revived. The vital but oft-delayed attempt to carry out more serious repairs involves a dangerous venture into the Mir's ruptured Spektr module.

During a radio session today, crew members discussed the spacewalk in detail, including how to retrieve some of the personal gear of U.S. astronaut Michael Foale from the Spektr. They also decided to mount a camera that could be used to film the module's interior.

Goncharov, like many other Russian space officials, said Mir's persistent problems "reflect the situation in our economy."

That was similar to last week's remarks from Russian cosmonaut Vasily Tsibliyev, freshly returned from Mir.

"It's impossible to procure many things which are vital for the station, due to the fact that they are either not manufactured any longer, short in supply, or overpriced," he said.

Goncharov said such shortcomings have never threatened the crew.

"The crew never has lacked anything, the absence of which could threaten flight safety," he said.

The 11-year-old Mir is the jewel of Russia's once-mighty manned space program, which launched the first satellite into orbit and the first man into space. Both Russia and its partners in the international space station now under construction consider the Mir a critical laboratory for developing

the technology to support humans in space on a long-term basis.

If the Mir had to be abandoned, it would be a serious blow to Russian prestige but it would not end Russia's manned space program, which is increasingly focused on developing the international space station. The first component of that station is scheduled to go into space in June 1998.

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