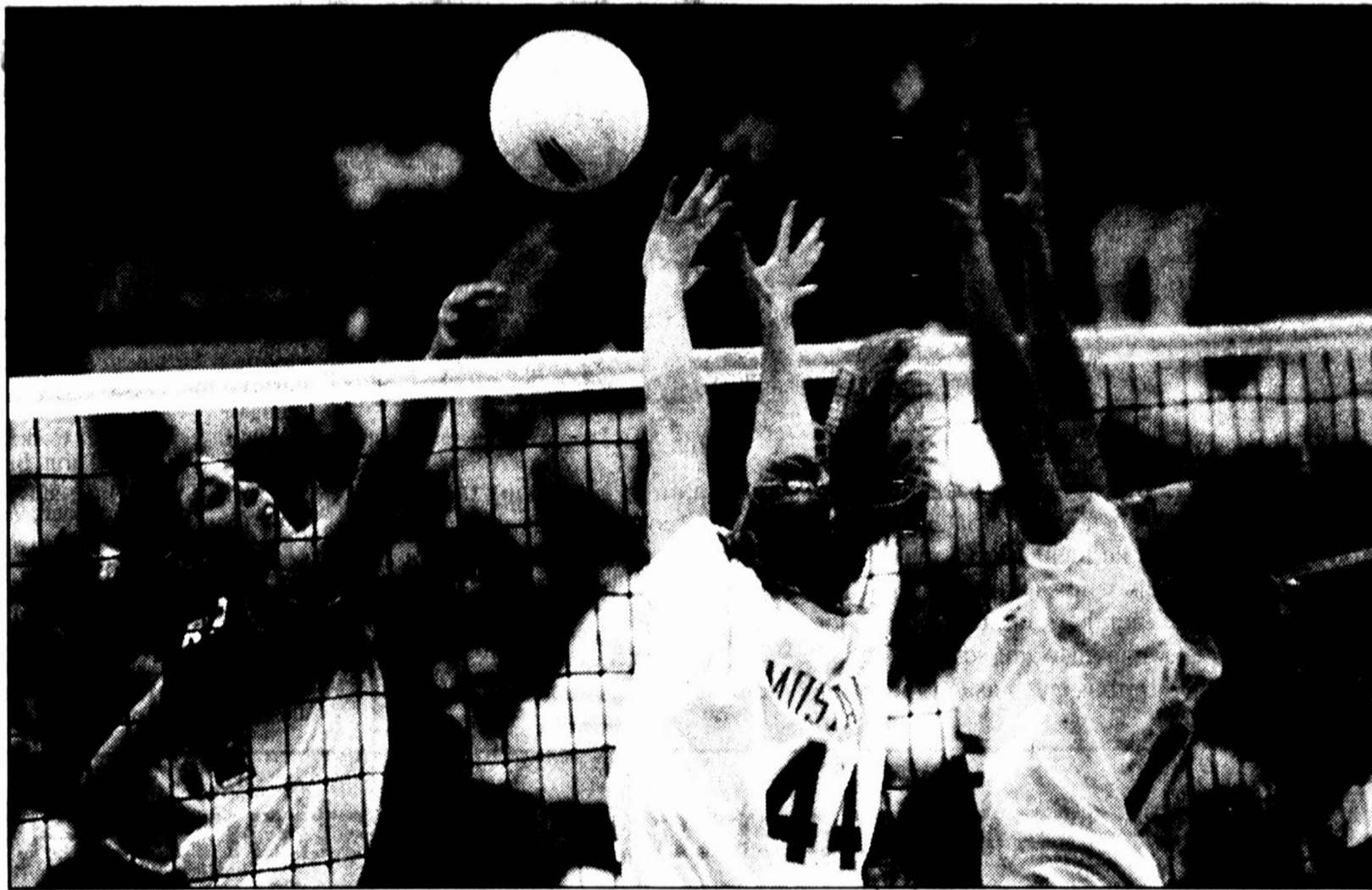


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Good start



Staff photo by Julius Bodner

KRISTIN FANGMAN of Hereford (left) dinks the ball as Lubbock Coronado's Lauren Duniven (44) and Bonny Smith attempt to block during a non-district volleyball match Tuesday night at Whiteface Gymnasium. Hereford won 15-12, 15-5 to begin the 1998 season for both teams. The Lady Whitefaces will face El Paso Burges at 9 a.m. Friday morning at an Amarillo tournament in their next action.

HRMC budget is projecting revenue drop

Directors call public hearing on tax rate

By DONALD M. COOPER
Brand Editor

John Studsrud's fingerprints aren't on the Fiscal 1999 budget for Hereford Regional Medical Center, but he'll have to live with it.

Studsrud, who will assume the duties as HRMC administrator on Sept. 1, did not participate in the budget workshops for the hospital, so the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board approved the spending package for the next year, deciding not to wait until the September meeting when Studsrud will be on the job.

The new budget will take effect Oct. 1.

Studsrud, a health care professional from Dickinson, N.D., was hired during a special board meeting Sunday afternoon, ending a search that began in March after the resignation of James T. Robinson.

As hospital administrator, Studsrud will receive \$83,000 per year in salary and benefits.

The budget which he will have to administer next year projects net operating revenue of \$9,730,855, a 3.9 percent decline from the current budget.

Total expenses for FY 1999 are estimated to be \$9,636,651, leaving a balance on Sept. 30, 1999, of \$94,203.

The directors tabled the capital expenditure budget.

The directors also approved a tax rate of 21.42 cents per \$100 assessed valuation and set a public hearing for 6 p.m. Aug. 27 in the hospital board room. The approved rate, though 0.0003 cents below the current rate, will be at the rollback rate.

In recommending the board approve the 21.42-cent rate, financial director and interim administrator Rodney Bailey said the hospital has been showing a decline in profits and the rollback rate is necessary to boost revenue.

In looking at the July financial report, the hospital's situation improved, but it still finished the month in the red, continuing a trend that began in March.

The gross patient service revenue fell to \$874,223, nearly \$332,000 below budget and the lowest figure in four years, Bailey said.

The total operating revenue for July was \$625,508, a drop of \$186,938 below budget.

The net loss for the month was \$37,687, which puts the hospital's loss for the year at \$596,284.

About \$394,000 of the red ink can be attributed to the reserve fund the hospital has established for possible payback to Medicare for home health overpayments. However, Bailey indicated there is a possibility the money will not have to be repaid. That has not yet been determined, so the hospital continues to pay into the reserve fund.

In other business, the directors:

- Received a report from community health organizer Pat Stone about the Community Health Improvement Partnership's review and recommendations on health care in Deaf Smith County.

- The board is expected to receive the organization's report in mid-September.

- Approved a resolution accepting funds from the Texas tobacco settlement, which will be allocated in January 1999. The hospital district will receive about \$338,000 in the initial installment of the \$17.3 billion the tobacco industry will pay to the state of Texas over the next 25 years. The money to be distributed in January will be used for indigent care.

- Approved a grant of \$75,000 made available by the Coalition of Health Services for internet activity. The grant will include up to 10 computers, running lines and a HUB/router connecting HRMC with all other Panhandle hospitals. The state grant is designed to help rural communities tie into the Internet. The hospital's match will be about \$600 per month for one year. At the end of the year, the hospital can terminate the agreement without penalty.

- Postponed a decision on a contract with David Back Clinic. The board has two scenarios under consideration in the agreement, and the directors wanted to wait until Studsrud has an opportunity to review the agreements before making a decision; and

- Renewed the Title V contract between the Texas Department of Health and HRMC Women's & Children's Clinic.

GOP leaders offer new tax code plans

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (AP) - They agree that the current tax code should be scrapped, but House Majority Leader Dick Army and Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., have widely divergent views on what should replace it.

The two GOP leaders brought their anti-tax debate to this Kansas City suburb Tuesday in the 29th stop on a 30-city national tour designed to garner support for their party's efforts to change the income tax system.

"This debate is not really about money," Tauzin told about 500 people at the event. "It's about freedom and liberty. The current tax code is 7 million words of the government telling us how to live our lives."

Army, R-Texas, said changing the tax code also was about forcing the government to treat its citizens better.

"We have a right to expect a great deal from our government," Army said. "The government has an obligation to treat us with respect and dignity."

Tauzin favors eliminating income tax and replacing it with a national sales tax. Army favors a flat income tax with a single rate of 17 percent and few deductions.

"With my plan, everybody pays the same rate, with no exception," Army said. "If your neighbor makes 10 times more than you do, he pays 10 times more tax. That's fair, isn't it?"

Tauzin's plan would impose a 15 percent national retail sales tax, with mechanisms in place to protect those who live below the poverty line. Flat tax supporters argue that it is simple and fair. They also say it would save billions of dollars spent every year on tax preparation and enforcement by the Internal Revenue Service.

On the other hand, those who favor the national sales tax say it is fair because people are taxed only on what they buy. They claim consumers would have more control of their money because they would get everything they earn in their paychecks.

In response to questions from the audience, Tauzin and Army said they would support each other's plan if a clear public consensus for one of the two emerged.

They noted that both plans would require a two-thirds vote of the House and Senate before any changes could be made.

July housing starts best in more than decade

WASHINGTON (AP) - Housing construction jumped for the second straight month in July to its fastest pace in more than a decade.

Builders started construction of new housing units at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,718,000 units in July, the Commerce Department said today. Home-building activity has not been heavier since 1987.

The unexpected 5.7 percent increase followed a June rise to a revised 1.63 million units that was even sharper than the department previously reported.

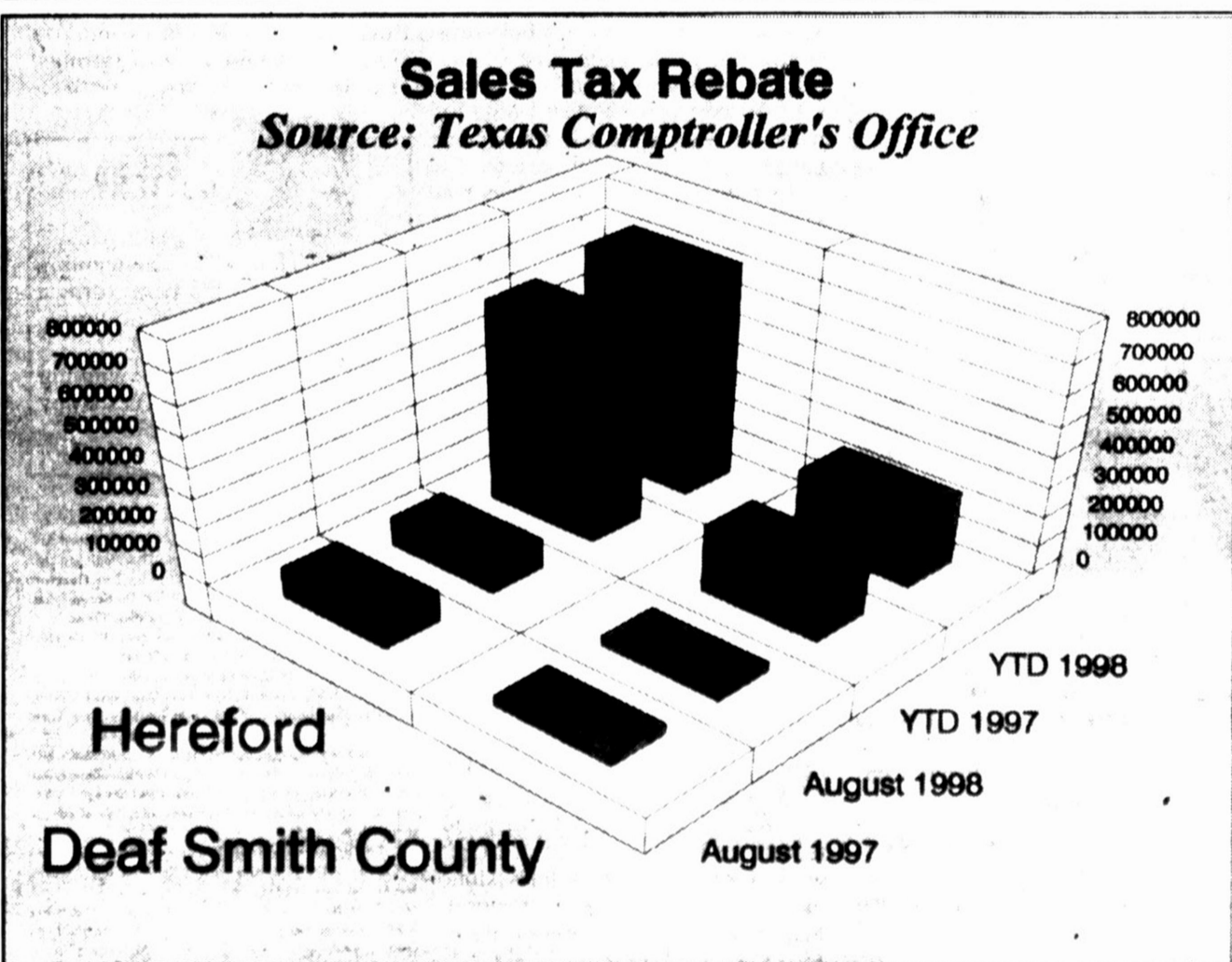
Including July, home building has now stayed above the 1.5 million unit rate for 11 straight months - a stretch unprecedented since the mid-1980s.

The building boom has been fueled by new-home sales, which hit another record high in June.

Home buyers have been plentiful with unemployment at its lowest in decades. And interest rates on fixed-rate 30-year mortgages, which dipped to an average 6.91 percent last week, haven't been much better since 1993.

"We're seeing supply catch up with demand," said Paul L. Kasriel, chief U.S. economist for The Northern Trust Co. in Chicago.

Economists expected the good news on mortgages to continue after the Federal Reserve on Tuesday decided to leave short-term interest rates unchanged because there are few signs of inflation.



Economy shows gain in July

Sales tax rebate payment higher than in June

By DONALD M. COOPER
Brand Editor

Hereford's economy showed improvement over last month; however, it lost some ground from the previous year, according to the Texas Comptroller's Office.

The city on Friday received a sales tax rebate payment of \$103,308.70, a 19 percent gain over July. However, the August pay is 2.4 percent below the \$105,900.55 rebate for August 1997.

For the year, Hereford has received a total of \$727,796.77, a 6.7 percent gain over the \$682,094.95 received for the same period last year.

Deaf Smith County received a payment of \$35,497.64, down 0.5 percent from the \$35,669.53 for August 1997. For the year, the county has received \$248,883.76, up 7.8 percent from the \$230,964.25 for the same period last year.

The comptroller's office delivered a total of \$255.8 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,094 Texas cities and 118 counties, a 12.4 percent increase over the \$227.6 million allocated to Texas cities and counties in August 1997.

The month's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers on June sales and by quarterly filers for April, May and June and reported to the comptroller in July.

"The Texas job market and new businesses are still

growing steadily and retail sales continue to soar, as consumers show confidence in a rosy outlook for the Texas economy," Sharp said. "Year-to-date, rebates to cities and counties are up 11.5 percent over last year."

Around the area, Dimmit, which has been up and down this year, was up again, receiving a payment of \$31,360.15, 22.1 percent above the \$25,683.09 received in August 1997.

Dalhart received \$119,043.71, a whopping 21.4 percent gain over the \$98,029.62 received in August 1997.

Pampa received \$282,207.15 5.8 percent above the \$266,742.34 received in August 1997.

Plainview also saw its payment jump, gaining 14.3 percent to \$293,163.86 from \$256,537.16 in August 1997.

Borger received \$272,217.40, up 16.5 percent from \$233,679.42 for August 1997.

Dumas received \$88,011.42, up 3.8 percent from the \$84,772.98 it received in August 1997.

Among the area counties, Castro County received \$13,405.04, up 9.9 percent from the \$12,201.74 received last August. Hale County received \$91,373.82, down 1.7 percent from the \$92,993.45 it received in August 1997.

The comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled for Sept. 14.

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Lifestyles

'Bambi effect' gives new look to rhododendrons

By GEORGE BRIA
POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP) - Venerable rhododendrons bloom as dazzlingly as ever hereabouts. But a discerning eye sees something different about these towering bushes: a skeletal, Japanese-looking base of gnarled limbs known ruefully as the Bambi effect.

Years of depredations by deer have imposed a new aesthetic on gardeners unable or unwilling to lay out thousands of dollars for steel fencing. With saws and pruning shears, they have tidied and shaped the undersection of the plants, clearing them of the chewed up messes left by deer foraging for vital winter food.

Since the white-tailed raiders can't reach beyond a certain height to nibble, what we have now are plants with luxuriant tops resting on spindly pedestals with a certain beauty of their own.

On my country place, some of the rhododendrons date back to a hurricane some 30 years ago that wrecked a storage facility at a nearby nursery and damaged the plants. Although good sized, they went on sale cheap and we bought them.

As time went on, they all underwent repeated winter attacks by hungry deer. Sometimes, black plastic, wrap-around netting succeeded in protecting their lower leaves, but at other times the deer broke through. These plants are 10 to 15 feet tall now, their evergreen vegetation and seasonal blossoms out of reach of predators and their denuded lower limbs as neat and clean as I can make them.

It's a different story for gardeners in deer country starting out with new, young plants, some of them barely a foot tall and extremely vulnerable. You might ask, why bother at all? But rhododendrons, if you can save them, are prize ornamentals, serving in their maturity as highly effective evergreen screens and producing in spring and summer some of a garden's most beautiful blooms.

It is thus easier to understand why an increasing number of people are paying \$10,000 and more to protect these valued plants and other shrubbery and flowers with high-tensile steel fences, electrified where permitted.

Barring that ultimate recourse, black plastic netting will protect low-lying young plants, but you must

stake the net firmly to the ground and inspect it daily to make sure it is holding.

Milorganite, a fertilizer made from sludge, seems to work temporarily when spread at the base of plants. Apparently, the deer are put off by the odor. Other repellents include dried blood and commercial sprays like Ro-pel and Tree Guard. Small bars of fragrant soap hung around the area may work, as may concoctions featuring rotten eggs.

All these remedies are subject to weather and require constant attention or renewal in the cold and snow of winter, when deer are hungriest and your fingers freeze when you go out there to tend the plants.

If you're willing to spend as much as \$200 per plant, you can get rhododendrons that are already six feet tall. But these, too, must be protected at their lower level. This means wrapping the entire plant, from top to bottom, in netting, and staking it to the ground. Deer will make short shrift of half measures.

Azaleas, which are related to rhododendrons, are not as subject to deer attack because many of them are deciduous and thus have no leaves to offer for food in winter.

Hospital Notes

Patients in Hereford Regional Medical Center on August 19: Estella Abeyta and infant girl Abeyta, Esmeralda Castillo and infant girl Castillo, Maria Limon, Bibian M. Perez, Manuel R. Valdez and Isidra Zuniga.



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Maricella Ramirez, bride-elect of Chris Strowd, was feted with a bridal shower Saturday in the E.B. Black House. Guests were greeted by, from left, Claudia Ramirez and Clarissa Ramirez, sisters of the bride-elect; Elisa Ramirez, mother of the bride-elect; the honoree; Bea Strowd, mother of the prospective groom; and Martha Del Toro, sister of the bride-elect.

Black House site of Ramirez shower

A bridal shower in honor of Maricella Ramirez, bride-elect of Chris Strowd, was held Saturday in the E.B. Black House.

The couple plans to wed Sept. 5. Greeting guests with the honoree were Elisa Ramirez, mother of the bride-elect; Bea Strowd, mother of the prospective groom; and Claudia Ramirez, Clarissa Ramirez and Martha Del Toro, all sisters of the bride-elect.

The registry was decorated with a spring floral centerpiece surrounded with tulle.

The serving table was centered with a large white sheet cake topped with white and dark chocolate dipped fruit. Other refreshments included fruit trays, vegetable trays and orange punch.

Appointments were in silver and crystal, accented with spring colored

napkins.

A comforter set was the gift from hostesses Argelia Alaniz, Monica Alaniz, Virginia Bodayo, Monica Charles, Martha Del Toro, Linda Dominguez, Liz Garcia, Samantha Guerrero, Carolina, Luna, Aida Lemus, Lupe Pesina, Claudia Ramirez, Clarissa Ramirez, Jovita Salazar, Julia Scott, Angela Stansell, Lydia Vallejo, Nora Perez and Toni Reyna.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I would like to respond to "Houston, Texas," who wrote a letter about Reconciliation Day. She said she called her estranged brother and he hung up on her. I, too, thought you should "mind your own business" when it came to family squabbles. After all, you didn't know her brother.

Nine days after I had those thoughts, my own brother was found dead in his room. Do I wish I had called him on your annual Reconciliation Day? YES, I do. Not a day goes by that I don't regret not trying to phone him. He may have hung up on me like "Houston's" brother, but that contact may have been enough for him to want to stick around and see me again. I will live with the guilt for the rest of my life.

Please continue to tell your readers it's never too late to try to mend those fences. Even if they fail, they will have the comfort of knowing they tried. -- Tons of Regrets in London, Ontario

Dear Regrets: I can add nothing to your poignant letter, except my thanks for having written it. Because you had the courage to do so, many estranged brothers and sisters are going to pick up the phone. Here's another letter on the same subject:

Dear Ann Landers: I'm writing in response to the woman from Houston who thought reconciliation with her brother was impossible.

I'm a college sophomore who just came back from a week of camp with our school's Christian fellowship. It was one rough week. So many problems seemed unsolvable. We felt overwhelmed. But with non-stop talking and a lot of praying, we got through it. Relationships were healed, and people who thought they could never be friends again were reconciled.

I want to tell the woman in Houston it's NEVER too late to try. Of course, it takes hard work and persistence. If reconciliation is desired, Houston, you must be willing to call your brother more than once. If he keeps hanging up, write him a letter. If he doesn't reply, go to his house. If he slams the door in your face, put your foot in it!

Reconciliation takes more than one call or one olive branch. But to mend a broken relationship with someone dear to you, especially a family member, is worth the effort. -- C.T., Boston, Mass.

Dear C.T.: "Turn the other cheek" was good advice 2,000 years ago, and it's still good today. Thank

you so much for sharing your experience.

Dear Ann Landers: In one of your recent columns, a reader complained about the lack of respect for our national anthem. He said some singers put their own interpretation to the song and many people don't even know the words. It reminded me of how we Canadian boys used to sing our variation years ago, making fun of the Yanks. It went like this:

Oh, say, can they sing
From the start to the end
What so proudly they stand for
When orchestras play it.
How the whole congregation
In voices that blend
Strike up the grand tune
And then torture and slay it.
Hark, how proudly they shout
When they're first starting out
But the rockets red glare
Leaves them floundering about.
'Tis the Star-Spangled Banner
They're trying to sing
But they don't know the words
Of the blessed old thing!

-- A Naturalized American Who Knows All Four Verses

Dear Naturalized: I doubt that many American-born citizens know even the second verse. Good for you!



Electric clocks were introduced in the mid-1800s.

Turrentine to address Alzheimer's group

In affiliation with the Alzheimer's Association, Panhandle Chapter, the Hereford support group for family caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, will meet from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Thursday at Fellowship of Believers Church, 245 North Kingwood (at Moreman).

A support group is a gathering of people with common problems, needs and interests to share their feelings, thoughts, questions, experiences and concerns in a combined effort to better cope with and survive the

challenge presented by persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

Justice of the Peace Johnnie Turrentine, will be the resource person for this week's support group. Judge Turrentine will discuss her office's role in removing a driver's license from a person who driving has become a danger to self and others. Having to remove the driver's license of a person with Alzheimer's is one of the more painful realities a caregiver must face.

Judge Turrentine will also discuss

the role of her office in determining mental competency and the option of committal. She will be available to answer any questions or concerns shared by the caregiver.

Friends, relatives and neighbors of these brave caregivers are encouraged to offer to say with the person with Alzheimer's to allow the caregiver a rest. Respite care is vital for these caregivers whose days are typically 36-hours long.

Group facilitator is Nathan L. Stone, Ph.D., pastoral counselor and former senior chaplain with Family Hospice of Temple.

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Bob Vaughn, right, commander of Roy Wederbrook Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4818, presents a check for \$5,000 to Chris Cabbiness, representing the Spicer Gripp Memorial Scholarship Fund. The contribution to the scholarship fund was raised by the local VFW through donations and various fund-raisers.

Drive-in movie draws curious Open air theater is part nostalgia -- all fun

GATESVILLE, Texas - Skid marks mar the ribbon of asphalt outside the Gatesville drive-in.

And it's no wonder.

More than one out-of-town family venture has been interrupted by the old-fashioned sign announcing \$5 a car load -- even for first-run flicks.

Someone in the car always spots that red and white, illuminated placard and forces the driver to slam on the brakes, turn through the trees that frame the front gate, and travel back in time.

At least, that was the case for the Johnsons.

Racing back to Pottsville from a nephew's graduation in College Station, Melissa Johnson spotted the sign and shouted for her husband to turn around.

"I said, 'What do you mean turn around?'" her husband, L.D. Johnson, said. "I said, 'How much is it?'"

"It was \$5, and we had \$6," Melissa Johnson said. "It's cheap entertainment."

Now, they're drive-in regulars. They park their teal Ford pickup in the same spot each week.

Arriving at 7 p.m., the Johnsons dine on sandwiches pulled from their red Igloo cooler while slumped in their lawn chairs.

It's a kind of tradition, said Gene Palmer, who owns the sprawling facility fronting State Highway 36.

"I think one thing they like is they get out here a couple of hours before the movie starts," he said. "A lot of these people from the '30s, '40s, and '50s, get to know each other and meet and talk. It's like a family outing. I know a lot of people make friends."

From his perch on a cracked plank of wood, Palmer watches pickup trucks piled high with kids rumble over the gravel drive, slowly scouting for the perfect "seat" in the house.

Couples tucked into modest cars coast through the gate. Families march in, their lawn chairs tucked under their arms.

"They'll park under the trees, underneath these bushes, just about everywhere," Palmer said.

Aptly dubbed the Last Drive-in Picture Show in Gatesville, this theater is part nostalgia, part 20th century, all fun.

Groups gather in the beds of their pickups to feast on barbecue. Families play cards, their laughter bouncing off the massive movie screen. Music blares from tiny silver speakers that sprout from the ground like errant metal weeds. The aroma of barbecue wafts through the air.

But is nostalgia, more than anything else, that fuels most trips to this movie theater under the stars. Just ask the Rivers family.

Sitting the back of their red Dodge Dakota, awaiting the on-screen arrival of Mulder and Scully from "The X-Files," the duo ambled down memory lane.

It has been some 16 years since Gatesville's Ed Rivers, 44, had attended a drive-in. He hasn't forgotten a thing, even though it was a different experience back then, the native of Montgomery, Ala. said.

I don't care what is written about me so long as it isn't true.

—Dorothy Parker

Any fool can make a rule.
—Henry David Thoreau

In those days, Rivers was usually one of several people hidden in the car's trunk in an attempt to snag a lower admission price at the front gate.

"To me, right now, it's nostalgia to come to a drive-in, because we used to do a lot of that as a kid," Rivers said. "It brings back a lot of memories of sneaking into a drive-in locked in the trunk. The only time we could go to a drive-in was family night, for \$1 a person, and there were \$7 total."

But this Friday night was different. Rivers drove through the front gate with his wife, Brenda, perched proudly by his side in the cab of their pickup, paid the \$5 and drove right in.

"There was fresh air," Ed Rivers said, comparing the two experiences. "And you don't have somebody going 'Shut up. Shut up. We're going through the gates. Would you be quiet?'"

No one has to sneak into the Gatesville drive-in.

Palmer wouldn't hear of it.

"When this theater opened in 1950, it was \$1 to come to a movie and children under 12 were free," he said. "Today, it's the same. It's \$5 a carload and most of the time, cars got 10 people in 'em."

Even younger generations, who don't really remember that dying pastime known as a drive-in, want to capture a slice of yesteryear.

Among them are self-described "drive-in virgins," like Mike and Caryn Peterson.

"As you can see we came unprepared, because we have nothing to sit on," Mike Peterson, 26, of Waco said from his perch on the hood of the couple's blue Plymouth Acclaim. "But I got my Junior Mints and my root beer. We're set."

It was his wife who convinced Peterson to attend the outdoor theater in the hopes of duplicating the

old-fashioned dates of her mother.

"I kept telling him it would be a fun and romantic date," Caryn Peterson, 27, said. "There aren't many drive-ins around anymore but he found one in a small town in Texas, and we hit the road."

In his nearly 50 years in the movie business, Palmer has seen it all. On a recent night, a pickup truck came rumbling to the front gate, arriving too late to be admitted.

But that didn't stop those diehard movie fans. As the truck pulled away, Palmer noticed a full-sized couch wedged in the back.

Five minutes later, a burly group of men toted the couch through the front gate, plopped it on an open patch of grass and watched the movie.

"When it was over, these two big guys carried it back out, and it wasn't no small couch. It was a big thing," Palmer said.

The key to a successful drive-in is in the atmosphere, Palmer said. The twinkling stars, the balmy temperatures, the yellow slice of moon are none of Palmer's doing. But the rest -- the music that hearkens back three decades, the family oriented films that show every night but Christmas Eve and the laid-back attitude -- are all to Palmer's credit.

"I love the family atmosphere," said Melissa Johnson, 36. "There's this guy that barbecues and the aroma is just wonderful. It smells like shrimp wrapped in bacon. And you can talk to your neighbor and it's not disturbing. It's really fun."

As darkness drapes its cloak over this gravel-filled lot, the voices dwindle. The laughter silences. The movie starts.

And the only sounds are those of the crickets singing, restless babies crying and the occasional squealing of brakes.

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Senior Citizens

MENUS

THURSDAY-Mexican stack, Spanish rice, pinto beans, salad fixings, tostados, ice cream; or pinto beans with chopped ham, cornbread.

FRIDAY-Fried fish with lemon wedge, roasted potatoes, Scandinavian vegetable, cucumber/tomato/onion, cornbread, icebox pudding; or roast pork, sherbet.

MONDAY-Italian spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian green beans, garden salad, garlic bread, butter-scotch pudding with topping; or chicken ala king, D'zerta pudding.

TUESDAY-Chicken strips, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered peas and carrots, frosted line-walnut salad, rolls, apple cobbler; or roast beef with gravy, applesauce, D'zerta salad.

WEDNESDAY

Pepper steak, noodles alfredo, Harvard-beets carrot/raisin salad, French bread, brownies; or smothered chicken, peaches.

ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting 9-11 a.m., HHH wellness weigh-in 10 a.m.-12 noon, Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

FRIDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

SATURDAY-Games 12 noon-4 p.m.

MONDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class 1-4 p.m., FOT-9:30 a.m.

TUESDAY

Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., Beltone 10 a.m.-12 noon, Golden K Kiwanis-noon.

WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, ceramics 12 noon-4 p.m.

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Names in the news

Lewinsky to testify again before Starr's grand jury

GERALDO RIVERA
CHICAGO (AP) - Geraldo Rivera held nothing back in a *Playboy* interview, calling Jerry Springer "the most shameful man in America" and pronouncing Barbara Walters a "very sexy babe."

In the October issue of the magazine, Rivera acknowledged his own role in the making of trash television but said the difference between tabloid TV and network newsmagazines has become "indiscipherable."

"I think Jerry Springer is the most shameful man in America. I look at him and see Geraldo at his worst - times 10," Rivera said.

Rivera and his multimillion-dollar mouth had this to say about a few other people:

- Peter Jennings? "I don't think of him much. I still think of him as little Pete, whose father put him on the air. But he has paid his dues, too."

- "Dan Rather is my favorite, as kinky as he is and as weird as he is. ... But I've always liked the way he delivers."

- "Barbara Walters was - and is - a very sexy babe. ... She is a profoundly sensual, very female being with a great body."

- Former NBC correspondent Arthur Kent, the "Scud Stud" of the Persian Gulf War, "is an empty leather jacket."

- O.J. Simpson? "I just don't think he's very tough without a knife. And you can tell him I said so."

SOPHIA LOREN
NEW YORK (AP) - Sophia Loren was released from a hospital Tuesday and will stay in New York for a month to rest.

The 63-year-old actress was treated for an irregular heartbeat, publicist Beebe Kline said Tuesday.

Ms. Kline said she didn't know when Miss Loren was admitted, and she refused to identify the hospital. She said Miss Loren flew to New York from Geneva on Aug. 10 to visit a friend and grew fatigued.

JIM BAKKER
LOS ANGELES (AP) - Jim Bakker is getting hitched.

Bakker, who left his Praise the Lord television ministry in disgrace in 1987, is engaged to Lori Beth Graham. She is a youth counselor he met last month while she was speaking to a woman's group in Los Angeles.

"I fell in love first with her heart, the way she cares for people. Then I fell madly in love with her," Bakker said Tuesday. "I am overjoyed that the love was mutual and that Lori Beth has agreed to be my wife."

Bakker is a missionary at the 1,000-member Los Angeles International Church and works with the homeless and drug addicts.

He resigned from PTL amid a sex-and-money scandal, and in 1989 was convicted of bilking followers out of \$158 million. He spent five years in prison.

Bakker and his ex-wife, Tammy Faye Messner, divorced six years ago. She married Bakker's former close friend.

AL LEWIS
NEW YORK (AP) - Al "Grandpa Munster" Lewis, who is running for governor of New York, says both Democrats and Republicans are acting ghoulishly.

"I will get rid of the moneychangers ... the thieves," Lewis said Tuesday. "I'm not a politician."

The actor-activist, who played the role of Grandpa in the 1960s TV series "The Munsters," is running on the Green Party ticket.

Lewis still wears his signature thicket-like sideburns and at age 88 looks every bit like his enduring nickname. He said other candidates are blind to the needs of children while coddling big-money lobbyists.

MYKELTI WILLIAMSON
LOS ANGELES (AP) - Mykelti Williamson, who played Tom Hanks' shrimp-loving pal Bubba in "Forrest Gump," is on trial for attempted manslaughter for allegedly attacking his ex-wife's friend.

Williamson, 41, is accused of slashing Leroy Edwards with a knife on Jan. 5.

On Tuesday, the first day of testimony, former wife Cheryl Chisholm testified that the actor became angry when he was unable to make arrangements with her to pick up their daughter.

The actor left several irate phone messages, Ms. Chisholm said. When she didn't respond to the messages, Williamson allegedly went to her home and attacked Edwards.

Williamson, who has also appeared in "Free Willy," "Heat," "Waiting to Exhale" and "Con Air," has described the case as a misunderstanding and has said he will be vindicated.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Seeking responses from their star witness to President Clinton's testimony, prosecutors have recalled Monica Lewinsky for a second grand jury appearance that could help shape any impeachment report to Congress.

Ms. Lewinsky was asked to appear on Thursday, three days after President Clinton's dramatic televised admission that the two had an inappropriate relationship.

With the president and his family on vacation in Massachusetts, the political repercussions continued over Clinton's confession. Hillary Rodham Clinton issued a statement that she "believes in this marriage," and a torrent of statements poured out from Capitol Hill.

Several Democrats expressed disappointment that Clinton misled the nation, a few Republicans - Majority Whip Tom DeLay among them - demanded the president's resignation, and some members of both parties adopted a wait-and-see attitude.

The president, the first lady, their daughter, Chelsea, and their dog, Buddy, got away from the tension in Washington, flying to Martha's Vineyard for a 12-day vacation and private family time.

Clinton on Monday became the first president to testify before a grand jury carrying out a criminal investigation of his conduct.

Prosecutors want Ms. Lewinsky to return to respond to elements of Clinton's testimony, said sources familiar with the request, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Doctors divided over study for lifesaving attacks

BOSTON (AP) - Doctors are divided over a major new study that concludes they far too often deny a potentially lifesaving medicine to victims of heart attacks.

The report, being published in Thursday's issue of the *New England Journal of Medicine*, says virtually every heart attack survivor should get these pills, called beta blockers.

It contends that no matter what else people have wrong with them, taking beta blockers will cut their risk of dying by about 40 percent in the two years following their heart attacks.

Currently, only about one-third of heart attack patients are prescribed beta blockers. One reason is doctors' fear that they might be dangerous for those who have other health problems, such as diabetes or asthma.

"There is no doubt in my mind that this incredibly inexpensive treatment can be tolerated by the vast majority of patients and can improve survival in patients with almost any other disease," said Dr. Stephen S. Gottlieb of the University of Maryland, who directed the study.

But others are not so sure. They point to flaws in the way the study was done and say doctors should not rush to prescribe beta blockers to those with other serious illnesses.

NEWS in brief

Dr. George Sopko of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute said that while doctors should always keep beta blockers in mind for their heart attack patients, "I would not make sweeping recommendations" based on the latest study.

FBI agents raid hotel where bomb believed made
NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) - FBI agents acting on information from a suspect in the U.S. Embassy bombing raided a Nairobi hotel where the bomb was believed to have been made, a Kenyan newspaper reported today.

Fifteen FBI agents and six Kenyan detectives wearing bulletproof vests carried away several boxes from the raid Tuesday, the *Daily Nation* said.

The Aug. 7 attack in downtown Nairobi killed 247 people, including 12 Americans. An almost simultaneous bombing killed 10 at the U.S. Embassy in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Also today, a Pakistani newspaper reported that the suspect who gave the information for the raid, Mohammed Sadiq Odeh, gave a detailed account of worldwide anti-American operations by a secretive Muslim guerrilla group based in Afghanistan.

Kenyan police and U.S. authorities did not inform the media about the reported raid Tuesday and declined to comment on the latest reported developments.

If true, the two reports signify a major breakthrough in the investigation into the bombings.

In Pakistan, a border official said a Saudi and a Sudanese were detained at the Afghan border and were being questioned about the bombings. The men were stopped Saturday, said Bakhtiar Khan, chief of the Pakistani border post near the northern city of Peshawar.

Threats against Americans becoming more common

WASHINGTON (AP) - The U.S. ambassador to Pakistan, Thomas Simons, stood before a gathering of his compatriots in an auditorium in Islamabad and recommended they leave the country because of a "pattern of threats" against Americans.

Simons' message, delivered Monday, has become an increasingly familiar one for American diplomats and expatriates around the world. In some countries, official and unofficial Americans have been asked to leave because of local turmoil. In others, the threats are related to the Aug. 7 bombings at U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

Worldwide, about a dozen U.S. embassies in recent days found themselves either shut down or unable to provide normal services because of threatening situations. That number

has been reduced recently with the return of normal operations to Egypt, Malaysia and Yemen.

President Clinton has said an American retreat from global responsibilities is not an option. Any pullback, he says, "would give terrorism a victory it must not and will not have."

Says Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, "America will never be intimidated or back down in the face of terrorists."

Terrorism aside, local upheavals have played havoc with U.S. diplomatic representation abroad, especially in Africa.

U.S. embassies in Somalia and Sudan have been closed for years because of unsafe local conditions. This year, upheavals have forced the closure of U.S. embassies in Congo and Guinea-Bissau and sharply reduced service at the embassy in Eritrea. U.S. ships have been dispatched toward the Congo in the event a mass evacuation is needed.

Survey: Few students pursue computer majors

WASHINGTON (AP) - Students may be the most wired ever, toting laptops and chatting by e-mail, but they're not turned on by majors that

lead to well-paying jobs in information technology, according to a survey of college-bound teens.

The disconnect is causing hardships for some would-be employers, while others change the way they recruit.

Only 3 percent of high school graduates who took the ACT assessment picked computer and information science as likely vocations. Fewer than 1 percent said they wanted to be computer engineers. Many more who took the college entrance examination chose business, psychology, law, health services and other areas where

opportunities or pay are less promising. Other surveys have found similar results.

"Students' current career aspirations seem to be somewhat out of sync with the jobs that will be available for many of them," Richard L. Ferguson, president of the American College Testing service, based in Iowa City, Iowa, said Tuesday when releasing scores for the high school class of 1998.

The national average composite score of 21, out of a possible 36, for a record 995,000 students who took the examination was the same as last year's, a high for the decade.

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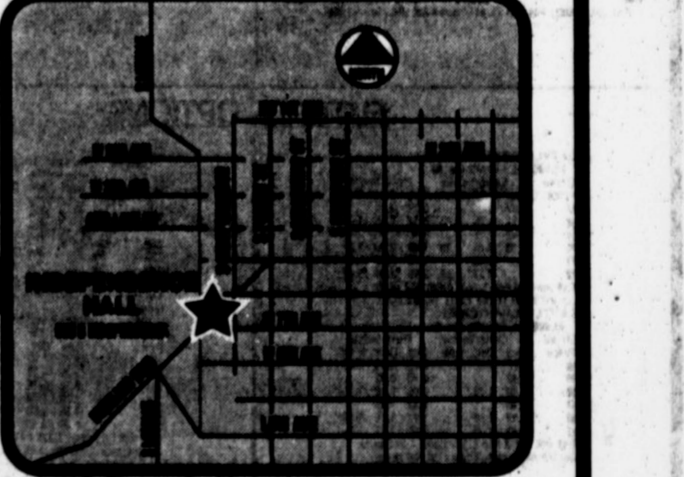
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