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NEWS
in brief**Bonnie loses punch
as it moves across
North Carolina**

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) - Hurricane Bonnie lost punch as it sloshed across North Carolina today, but the storm's heavy rain and slow movement threatened severe flooding on the state's coastal plain.

Bonnie came ashore with 115 mph wind Wednesday but quickly slowed to a crawl and gradually lost strength. This morning, its sustained wind was down to 75 mph, barely hurricane strength.

There were no reports of widespread damage, injuries or deaths, though nearly a half-million people had been ordered to evacuate in North and South Carolina. Some 380,000 customers lost power in the two states. Tornadoes in Beaufort and Tyrrell counties caused only minor damage.

While officials noted the continuing threat of floods, they expressed relief this morning that the damage was limited, at least so far.

Elsewhere, Hurricane Danielle was weakening over the Atlantic 1,900 miles southeast of Miami. It was moving toward the northwest at 21 mph with winds of 85 mph that were expected to strengthen. Forecasters said it was too early to tell whether Danielle would threaten the U.S. mainland.

**Civil rights leaders want
broader King investigation**

ATLANTA (AP) - Two of the men who stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel with Martin Luther King Jr. moments before he was shot 30 years ago say simply reopening the investigation into his murder may not be enough to reveal the truth.

Attorney General Janet Reno announced Wednesday a new review of the assassination, focusing on allegations of a conspiracy beyond James Earl Ray. Its limited scope stops short of the national commission called for by King's widow, Coretta Scott King.

**Russian financial woes
appear to be mounting**

MOSCOW (AP) - Russia's financial crisis appears to be escalating, with the ruble on the skids and the Central Bank indicating it may have to stop propping up the currency.

For the first time ever, the Central Bank canceled already agreed dollar sales on Wednesday, and the government failed to make payments on some longer-term debt previously unaffected by the crisis.

Nonetheless, the mood on the street remains anxious, not panicked. While some Russians complained banks were only letting them make withdrawals in rubles, not dollars, others said they were growing accustomed to the country's state of continual crisis.

**Demos see Social Security
as big campaign issue**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Although they've yet to offer a specific plan for Social Security's future, Democrats are hoping to make the nation's retirement program "their" cause in this fall's congressional elections.

"It's an issue that shows up time and again as one which Americans are concerned about and one on which Democrats have a home-field advantage," said Olivia Morgan, spokeswoman for the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

President Clinton got the ball rolling in January when he asked lawmakers to set aside any federal budget surpluses this year in case they're needed to brace up Social Security for an onslaught of aging baby boomers.

Republican leaders, who wanted to offer tax cuts this year, have been divided over how to respond.

GOP leaders in the Senate have agreed that most of the \$1.55 trillion government surplus expected over the next 10 years should probably be saved for Social Security.



Photo by Don Cooper

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS with Triple A Steel Construction Co. use a lift to attach panels of the roof over the entranceway to the Good News Gospel Church, which is being built on 15th Street.

'99 budget
approved
by countyBy DONALD M. COOPER
Brand Editor

The only thing missing at the public hearing was the public.

When the Deaf Smith County commissioners met this morning to discuss the Fiscal 1999 budget and tax rate, only County Judge Tom Simons; Commissioners Wayne Betzen, Lupe Chavez, Troy Don Moore and Johnny Latham; County Clerk David Ruland; County Auditor Dan Warrick; County Treasurer Nan Rogers and County Sheriff Joe Brown were present.

No members of the public showed up for the hearing. The commissioners reviewed the FY 1999 budget, then approved it on a 3-1 vote, with Moore dissenting.

The commissioners then discussed the ad valorem tax rate, which will remain at the FY 1998 level of 52.86 cents per \$100 assessed valuation. Although the rate is unchanged, an increase in the tax base will generate nearly 5.4 percent more tax revenue in the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

The commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Monday to adopt the budget. The new budget will give county employees a 5 percent pay raise, the first in four years. However, the county judge and county commissioners will not receive a pay increase.

The budget projects revenue of \$3,675,611 and expenditures of \$3,836,180, a difference \$160,569. However, the shortfall will be made up by a carryover from the FY 1998 budget.

During budget workshop sessions, the commissioners had received proposals from Warrick calling for a 55.026-cent tax rate, with an option of a 3 percent pay raise or a 5 percent pay raise. After lengthy discussion, the commissioners - with Moore dissenting - accepted Betzen's proposal for the 5 percent pay raise, excluding the judge and commissioners, and maintaining the 52.86 tax rate.

Moore said earlier this week he opposed the budget because it requires using unspent funds from this year's budget to bring it into balance.

"Our employees have been pretty tight-fisted over the years. We gave pay raises (in this budget), and I'm not opposed to that, but we need to bring our income into line with expenses," Moore said.

The 5.286 rate will generate \$2,896,155, with \$376,744 to be allocated to the Road & Bridge Fund, leaving \$2,519,411 in operating taxes for the General Fund.

The commissioners' road & bridge funds anticipate \$883,444 in revenue. The funds will receive \$376,744 in an allocation from the ad valorem taxes.

After the public hearing and approval of the budget, the commissioners voted unanimously to authorize the sheriff's department to advertise for bids for a new patrol unit.

Water crisis looms as population grows

WASHINGTON (AP) - The world will grow more thirsty and unstable in the next generation as the number of people facing shortages of fresh water swells to 2.8 billion, according to a private study.

To reduce demand for drinking water in the future, the report from The Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health recommended that countries conserve water, pollute less, manage supply and demand of water better and slow population growth.

It also said most countries need massive investments in sanitation and water supply infrastructure.

"A water-short world is an

inherently unstable world," said the report released Wednesday. "To avoid catastrophe ... it is important to act now to slow the growth in demand for fresh water."

Now, nearly half a billion people don't have enough drinking water. That number is expected to increase to 2.8 billion people by 2025 - or 35 percent of the world's projected 8 billion people, the report said.

Today, 31 countries, mostly in Africa and the Near East, are facing water stress or water scarcity. By 2025, population pressure will push another 17 countries, including India, onto the list. China, with a projected

2025 population of 1.5 billion, will not be far behind, said the report.

A country faces water stress when annual fresh water supplies drop below 445,090 gallons per person. Water-scarce countries have annual fresh water supplies of less than 262,000 gallons per person.

Although much of the world is trying to meet a growing demand for fresh water, the situation is worst in developing countries where some 95 percent of the 80 million people added to the globe each year are born. In addition, the competition among industrial, urban and agricultural uses for water is mounting there, the report

said.

"In many developing countries, lack of water could cap future improvements in the quality of life," said Don Hinrichsen, the report's lead author and a consultant with the U.N. Population Fund.

"Populations are growing rapidly in many of these countries, and at the same time per capita use must increase - to grow enough food, for better personal health and hygiene, and to supply growing cities and industries," Hinrichsen added.

Yet there is no more fresh water on earth now than there was 2,000 years ago, when the population was

less than 3 percent of its current size, he noted.

Even in the United States, which has plenty of fresh water on a national basis, groundwater is being used at a rate 25 percent greater than its replenishment rate, said the report.

The report warned that regional conflicts over water could turn violent as shortages grow. And as people use more water, less is left for vital ecosystems on which humans and other species depend. Globally, over 20 percent of all freshwater fish species are endangered, vulnerable or have recently become extinct.



Photo by Don Cooper

PRODUCE VENDORS relax and shoot the breeze Wednesday afternoon while waiting for customers to stop by their trucks parked adjacent to Dameron Park. A variety of produce, from watermelons to canteloupes to corn on the cob, are available.

Farmer's Almanac
Rough winter
is prediction
- again

LEWISTON, Maine (AP) - Wave goodbye to El Nino and keep your overcoat and shovel handy: *The Farmers' Almanac* is predicting another rough winter, even though its similar forecast last year missed the mark.

Editor Peter Geiger throws some of the blame for the blunder to El Nino, which made its debut in March of last year - right after the 1998 almanac had gone to the printer.

But with autumn just around the corner, the mysterious El Nino is on the wane - and the signs don't bode well for a mild winter, almanac forecaster Caleb Weatherbee writes in the latest edition.

"Assuming little or no El Nino influence this winter, we should be back on track for another bad winter," the reclusive prognosticator writes in the 1999 almanac, which goes on sale this week.

"Our long-term weather tables

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Local roundup

Fall Kidfish

Children, aged 16 and under, are invited to try their luck at catching their share of more than 800 pounds of catfish which will stock the Aquatic Center Park for the upcoming Kidfish.

The fall Kidfish event will begin 9 a.m. Sept. 19. Participants are encouraged to collect sponsorships to win a variety of prizes. All participants will win a goody bag. Those raising \$15 or more will receive a trophy or medal; \$25 or more will earn a T-shirt; and those earning more than \$50 will win a rod and reel as well as the other prizes.

"Fun Lunch" scheduled

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce's 2nd Annual "Fun Lunch" will be 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 11 in Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C. The lunch will be sponsored by Panhandle Vision Center and will be catered by K-Bob's Restaurant.

There will be songs, games, community announcements, door prizes and a drawing for Hereford Bucks for Chamber of Commerce members. Cost of the lunch is \$5.25 and the public is invited.

For reservations, call the chamber office at 364-3333.

Capsule items

Anyone who is interested in any of the time capsule items on display at the Deaf Smith County Public Library can pick the items up at the library, according to Jessie Ann Davis of the Friends of the Library.

The display must be removed from the library by Monday, and the Friends of the Library, which put together the display, does not want the items.

Mostly cloudy

Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of thunderstorms, low in the mid-60s, north to northeast wind 10 to 20 mph.

Friday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, high near 90, northeast to east wind 5-15 mph.

Extended forecast

Saturday through Monday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows in the lower 60s, highs 85 to 90.

Wednesday recap

High, 90; low, 69; no precipitation.

NEWS

in brief

Town ravaged by '65 flood remains secure behind dams
SANDERSON (AP) - Dudley Harrison looks toward flood-stricken Del Rio to the south and can easily envision the struggles of survivors coping with the destruction caused by Tropical Storm Charley.

Thirty-three years ago, the Terrell County judge was clinging to a roof of an adobe house, which he thought might topple at any minute, as he rode out a similarly deadly flood in this former West Texas railroad town. "I'd say their problem is probably going to be a lot more," Harrison told The Associated Press Wednesday from the county seat of Sanderson. "They're more populous and the town covers a larger area. Ours is a small town."

The Sanderson flood struck early on June 10, 1965, when heavy rains caused a 15-foot wall of water to sweep down Sanderson Canyon. The water overflowed the normally dry creek bed at the western edge of town and knifed through the heart of the business district and into low-lying residential areas.

The raging flood overturned cars and trucks, washed out bridges and swept homes, motels and people down the winding, rocky creek bed and into the Rio Grande. Authorities said 28 people died.

Texans blame television, film violence for crime rate jump
HUNTSVILLE (AP) - More Texans blame television and film violence for causing crime to rise than they did 20 years ago, an annual Sam Houston State University study shows.

"One of the most noteworthy findings is the dramatic increase in the number of Texans who think there is a direct relationship between media depiction of crime and violence and the actual crime rate," said Dennis Longmire, coordinator of the annual Texas Crime Poll.

In 1978, only 25 percent of Texans queried by Sam Houston State University researchers believed movie violence was causing a large increase in the crime rate and 28 percent believed television was the culprit.

But this year's Texas Crime Poll shows 47 percent of those surveyed believed movies are the root cause of perceived crime rate increases. Forty-eight percent blamed television.

Sam Houston State University contacted 548 Texans by phone last July and asked them questions about crime and criminal justice.

Reputed marijuana smuggler executed for 1988 Dallas slaying
HUNTSVILLE (AP) - After expressing love to his family and praying, reputed marijuana smuggler Genaro Camacho was put to death for the execution-style shooting of a Dallas-area man a decade ago.

"I'll be waiting for you in heaven," Camacho, 43, told his former wife, two daughters and a son who watched him receive lethal injection Wednesday night in the Texas death chamber. "I'm going home, baby. Bye bye." He coughed and uttered two long gasps. Nine minutes later he was pronounced dead.

Camacho, the 12th Texas inmate to be executed this year, was condemned for killing David Wilburn, 25, of Pleasant Grove, who unwittingly stumbled into a kidnap plot that also left a woman and her 3-year-old son fatally shot. The three murders in 1988 were among at least five slayings authorities tied to Camacho.

Elsewhere

HORSE THIEFS: Authorities say 12 horses have been stolen in the Houston area over the past month. In each of three separate incidents, rustlers cut through barbed wire fencing overnight. The thieves appear to know how to haul horses out of stables without being detected. ... **LEGAL FEES:** Three current and former Brazoria County sheriff's deputies won't have to pay legal fees. County commissioners have voted to pick up the tab for the three, who have been indicted for alleged civil rights violations in the county jail. ... **MALL FEUD:** Builders of the proposed \$250 million Katy Mills mall is suing to stop construction of the Houston Premium Outlets mall only two miles away, along Interstate 10. Katy Mills mall is trying to prevent the other mall from recruiting tenants away from its mall. ... **RAIL WOES:** Workers are trying to repair a Union Pacific rail line that washed out in 24 places near Del Rio. The railroad said it was hoping to avoid shutting down an important rail bridge between Laredo and Mexico, which would back up rail traffic.

UP expands multi-track interstate network

NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (AP) - Welding machines the size of semitrailer trucks straddle new Union Pacific rail lines in this vast expanse of Nebraska's western plains that is home to the busiest segment of the nation's largest railroad.

Nearly 500 workers in the summer heat grind ends of the rails smooth, cut new rail bed and lay concrete ties in a \$366 million track expansion and maintenance project just east of North Platte.

About 40 percent of Union Pacific's trains hit this 108-mile stretch, carrying cargo as diverse as airplane wings, automobiles, frozen vegetables and coal, traveling from Los Angeles to Chicago, Wyoming

to Texas.

The track work here and around Union Pacific's 36,000-mile network already is making progress at easing congestion that made the railroad an object of ridicule and the target of customer lawsuits last year. But much remains to be done to smooth out the stormy 1996 merger of Union Pacific and Southern Pacific.

The price tag for upgrading track and trains is running at least \$200 million above the \$1.4 billion Union Pacific had projected. The work now is expected to take two more years than the five years originally planned.

Still, things are going well enough that the railroad showed off some of its expansion on a recent media tour

of its routes to Wyoming coal fields.

Like the rest of Union Pacific's 23-state system, travel slowed through this stretch last year because of congestion that cost the U.S. economy an estimated \$4 billion in stalled production and more expensive transportation.

Only now is traffic picking up, and railroad executives hope putting a third track down will speed service still more.

If all goes as planned, trains will go 70 mph instead of 60. Instead of 125 trains each day, more than 200 could roar through daily by year's end. When one track undergoes maintenance, the other two will run full speed.

"I'll sure as hell give us room to grow for many years," said Dick Davidson, chief executive of Union Pacific, who led the recent tour.

"I'm on a mission," Davidson said. "I want people to know that Texas and Louisiana is no longer a problem and gridlock is no longer a factor. I want people to know that the central corridor will give us more capacity. I want people to see what's driving this railroad."

But Union Pacific has a long way to go to please its customers, said Ed Rastatter, director of policy for the National Industrial Transportation League, which represents about 1,000 rail and truck users.

Most agree the crisis is over, but they're still not getting the service they expect, Rastatter said. Merger benefits were supposed to include faster transportation times, but unforeseen delays in service continue and train times are too slow, he said.

"Almost everybody thinks they have a long way to go to normal, let alone challenged the notion that bigger is better."

A surge in business surprised Union Pacific in 1997, even as it suffered from a rash of wrecks and difficulties merging with Southern Pacific's aging equipment.

Average train speeds systemwide now are at about 14 mph, slower than the pre-crisis 18 mph. Union Pacific lost \$633 million over the last three quarters, including settlements with customers angry over money lost to delivery delays.

Davidson was not prepared to say when the railroad will see profits. "We're not making any predictions at this point in our life," Davidson said. "We used to help analysts with our vision, but we're not doing that right now until we gain some confidence."

Analyst Cornelius Sewell of Argus Research in New York said Union Pacific should see some profits in 1999, perhaps by this year's fourth quarter. "I am betting this is a strong, well established railroad and they will get their act together," Sewell said. "They have made some forecasts and they've been pretty much off target so they're not saying much these days."

Already, Union Pacific stock is beginning to recover a bit after losing nearly half its value in the past year.

The road to restoring business has been rough. The railroad hired engineers and conductors at record levels, sped up construction across its central corridor in Nebraska and even gave business away to rivals like Burlington Northern. It recently decided to split management of the railroad into three regions after determining centralized control was not working.

While the worst may be over, the railroad still faces a difficult fall.

Union Pacific and Burlington Northern are warning farmers that they do not have enough rail cars to handle what is expected to be an unusually difficult harvest season.

Low grain prices and reduced exports in the aftermath of Asia's economic crisis have led farmers and grain elevators to store much of last year's harvest in hopes of improving markets.

At the same time, record wheat and soybean harvests are expected this fall, and the government is predicting the country's second-largest corn harvest.

With all that produce to move, there is little any of the railroads can do to prevent bottlenecks, said Don Hutchens, executive director of the Nebraska Corn Board.

"I understand that there's been significant efforts by the railroad," Hutchens said of Union Pacific's investments in its corridor across Nebraska. "Whether it will reduce the chances of a bottleneck at this year's harvest, I doubt it."



Lion secretary recognized

B.F. Cain, left, longtime Hereford Lions Club financial secretary, recently resigned after 38 years of service to the club in that position. President Stan Fry Jr. presented Cain a special plaque on behalf of the club Wednesday. Cain and his wife plan to move to the Temple area in the near future. The Lions elected Gayle Cotten as the new financial secretary.

Tainted gene pool affects bison sales
Century-old experiment bred cattle, buffalo

HOUSTON (AP) - Texas A&M University assistant professor James Derr is at the center of the storm over bison purity.

The molecular geneticist claims that some bison are, in fact a hybrid, part buffalo, part cattle, the Texas Journal of the Wall Street Journal reported Wednesday.

He says the genes are probably the legacy of a turn-of-the-century breeding experiment by ranchers to mix bison and cattle to see if they could raise better meat.

But his theory has rocked the industry where bison owners fear Derr's claims could send prices spiraling downward for U.S. bison, including the 3,000 or so being raised in Texas.

"It's the public perception that matters," said Paul Jonjak, chairman of the National Bison Association board and a challenger of Derr's work. "We're not beafalo. We're not cattalo. We're bison."

Jonjak points to last fall's auction of bison in South Dakota's Custer State Park. Prices at the auction fell 23 percent after Derr spoke about his findings at two bison seminars. Park officials say the comments may have cost them at least \$50,000 on 100 buffalo.

It was as if Derr "yelled fire in a crowded theater when there is no fire," Jonjak said.

The dispute has become so heated that the South Dakota's attorney general dispatched a letter last October to Derr and Texas A&M

President Ray Bowen demanding that Derr not speak publicly about his findings in South Dakota until state officials reviewed his notes.

State officials note that South Dakota has an agricultural-product slander law, similar to one in Texas, that would allow ranchers or Custer Park officials to sue for damages if they can prove Derr's comments hurt the market for their animals.

The bison at Custer State Park are "taxpayers' critters," said Larry Long, South Dakota's deputy attorney general, "and they're defaming our critters."

That's not the only complaint. Custer officials allege that Derr stole the DNA he used to test their animals.

Derr concedes he obtained the genetic material without Custer State Park permission. But he says he got the DNA fair and square from a California graduate student he was helping with a graduate thesis, who obtained the DNA from Custer officials for genetic testing.

"They always knew it was for genetic studies, and I'm doing genetic studies," Derr said. "There's no deception in it."

He added that he notified Park officials about his results, and they did not complain until after he spoke publicly.

Critics further allege that Derr's true intent in speaking publicly about the animals is to generate a market for his testing expertise. So far, he has tested about a half-dozen private herds in Texas, but he says he did not

charge for the services and has no intent to do so in the future.

"I'd rather this wasn't true, too," Derr says. But to preserve bison purity, he said, "it's important to raise animals that are in fact true and pure bison."

Derr discovered the cattle gene during an ongoing three-year, \$120,000 study funded by the National Science Foundation. The study is designed to see what could be learned from bison herds to help conserve dwindling populations of other animals.

Cattle DNA has appeared in about 6 percent of the more than 400 bison he's studied so far from herds around the United States.

Last fall, Derr found the cattle gene in four animals in a 32-bison herd maintained by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in Caprock Canyon State Park between Amarillo and Lubbock.

As a result, Parks and Wildlife officials, who paid \$10,000 to Texas A&M to cover expenses for the testing, have separated the animals from the herd while they decide what to do with them.

One option is to slaughter the animals and sell them for meat. Another is to keep the animals in the herd, but not allow them to breed.

"We're in the wildlife business, and we don't want domesticated stock in our wildlife. We want real, pure bison," said Tom Harvey, Texas Parks and Wildlife spokesman.

Derr stressed that the cattle gene

is rare and its presence should matter only to those trying to preserve the purity of the species, but not if the animals are sold for meat. Bison typically sell for more than comparably aged cattle.

Bison herds, which went from millions of animals to about 200 a century ago, have recovered to over 200,000 without showing genetic defects from the inbreeding that can accompany repopulation efforts.



AUSTIN (AP) - No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The jackpot was an estimated \$7 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were:
13-16-27-32-41-49.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$10 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-5-4



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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Aug. 27, 1998, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests

-- A 23-year-old woman was arrested in the 400 block of Avenue B and charged with assault.

Incidents

-- A theft of an undisclosed amount of money was reported from the 500 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.

-- An assault was reported in the 300 block of Avenue K.

-- An assault was reported in the

200 block of Avenue F.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests

-- A 22-year-old woman was arrested and charged with violation of probation for theft.

-- A 35-year-old man was arrested on traffic violations.

-- A 27-year-old man was arrested and charged with delivery of a controlled substance, cocaine.

-- A 22-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation for possession of marijuana.

Incidents

-- A burglary was reported.

-- An assault was reported.

-- A dog bite was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Aug. 26

-- 2:41 p.m. Firefighters responded to a semi-tractor rig fire, 5 miles south on 1055.

-- 11:35 p.m. Firefighters responded to 604 Ave. F on a smoke scare.

Aug. 27

-- 9:00 a.m. Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue at Irving and Park. No injuries were reported.

Lifestyles

Ann Landers

Domestic tranquility possible for some following retirement

Dear Ann Landers: The recent letters you printed from women who are living with retired husbands both amused and distressed me. They were all so negative. How about something positive?

My husband and I were married in 1953. "Alfred" was a student. I was a PhT-- Putting Hubby Through. He didn't graduate until 1960. During those seven years, I worked full time. Alfred worked part time and attended school part time. We were together a lot, but we didn't get on each other's nerves. We enjoyed it.

When Alfred graduated and got a job, his employers suggested I also work for their company but in a different department. It was a perfect setup. Alfred and I drove to work together, had lunch together and came home together. This went on for 19 years. By then, I was a career woman. When I was transferred across the country, the company was kind enough to line up a job for Alfred, and we continued to work together until retirement.

It's been nearly eight years since Alfred retired and four years since I stopped working. Do I get tired of having him underfoot? Heavens, no. Life goes on as it did before, and I enjoy his company as much as ever. We both love to read, travel, cook, work around the yard and generally have a great time. We always had interests outside our jobs, both separate and together, so neither of us was at loose ends when we retired.

I just wanted your readers to know some of us think it's nice to have a guy around the house. -- Alfred's Wife in Clements, Calif.

Dear Wife in Clements: Thank you for striking a blow in favor of domestic tranquility after retirement. I'm sure one of the reasons it works so well for you and Alfred is that you each have other interests and give one another space. I hope you and your sweetie have many more happy, healthy years together.

Dear Ann Landers: You told your readers about a program to help

stutterers that cost \$3,000. My great-grandfather, Dr. J.B. Frymire, started a very simple method in 1893 to help stutterers, and it didn't cost anything. According to his medical journals, it was a great success. Here's his method:

Open a book, and start reading aloud, but leave your teeth clenched. Do this for five minutes the first day. Each day thereafter, add five more minutes. Do this until you reach 60 minutes. Then, read aloud for 60 minutes each day for the next two months. You must read loud enough to be heard.

During the past 10 years, I have received in excess of 500 letters telling me Dr. Frymire's stuttering remedy worked for them. Please share my letter with your readers. It may work for them, too. -- Dick Frymire, doctor of barnyard science, Irvington, Texas

Dear Dick Frymire: Today's column may be the most important one many of my readers will ever lay their eyes on. Thank you on behalf of all the stutterers you helped today.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been

a service station attendant in New Jersey for five years. Twenty or 30 people a day approach me for directions. Roughly 70 percent of them are men, and only about a third of those men are accompanied by women. What does that tell you? -- South Plainfield, N.J.

Dear South Plainfield: That tells me women have a better sense of direction than men and that when men get lost, they don't want to admit it in front of their wives. This probably goes back to Moses, who wandered in the desert for 40 years.

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Jo D'Lyn Lytal, bride-elect of Matt Osborn, was feted with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Shirley Wilson. Present for the occasion were, from left, Manda Gowdy, sister of the bride-elect; Wanda Lytal, grandmother of the bride-elect; Martha Lytal, mother of the bride-elect; the future bride and groom; Joy Osborn, mother of the prospective groom; and Dorothy Ingram, grandmother of the prospective groom.

Lytal honored with bridal shower

A bridal shower honoring Jo D'Lyn Lytal, bride-elect of Matt Osborn, was held Saturday in the home of Shirley Wilson.

The couple will be married Sept. 19.

Greeting guests with the honoree were Martha Lytal, her mother; Joy Osborn, her future mother-in-law; Wanda Lytal, grandmother of the

bride-elect and Dorothy Ingram, grandmother of the prospective groom.

Manda Gowdy, sister of the bride, presided at the guest register.

Refreshments of fresh fruit, bacon crisps, donuts and punch were served from a table covered with a white linen cloth and centered with a topiary of pink roses and ivory

accented with wide gold satin ribbon.

A comforter, pillow shams and dust ruffle were gifts from hostesses Shyla Buckner, Annette Albracht, Linda Daniel, Betty Deckard, Melba Dillard, Carolyn Fry, Shirley Wilson, Becky Weatherly, Joan Fuston, Carol Gerk, Sheri Kerr, Kay Matthews, Ann Nichols, Kee Ruland, Maureen Self, Betty Wilcox and Leota Kelso.

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My son is going on 34. He has had severe heartburn since he was 16. The doctors started out with antacids then graduated to Zantac. Nothing helped.

My was given a stronger prescription and tested for a bacterium. The test was negative.

Doesn't it seem that after 18 years, there must be a cause? Have you any suggestions? -- K.K.

ANSWER: There definitely is a cause. Stomach acids and digestive juices are backing up into his esophagus, a structure ill-prepared for those corrosive fluids.

The condition goes by another name: "gastroesophageal reflux disease," or "GERD."

Your son can benefit from a few self-help tips:

- Do not lie down after eating.
- Prop the head of the bed with 6-inch blocks under the bedposts, so gravity keeps stomach acid where it

belongs -- in the stomach.

- Avoid alcohol.
- Smoking is out of the question.
- Go easy on fatty foods. Erase coffee, chocolate, peppermints, onions and orange juice from the menu.
- Don't bind the abdomen with constricting garments such as a belt pulled too tightly.

Your son apparently has tried two medicines, but there are others. Omeprazole -- Prilosec -- is a powerful suppressant of stomach acid production.

When medicines fail to control acid reflux, surgery might be the solution. Today, laparoscopic surgery plays an important role. The laparoscope can guide the surgeon to the lower part of the esophagus. The doctor then inserts instruments to fashion an effective barrier between esophagus and stomach.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What causes osteomalacia? Should I have recognized signs before I was diag-

nosed? You seem to be good at explaining complex medical problems. Can you clarify osteomalacia for me? -- C.M.

ANSWER: Osteomalacia is a bone condition whereby portions of bone lack sufficient quantities of calcium and phosphorus.

The result is bone softening -- which subjects the bones to breaks from minor injuries.

Bone pain can be felt all over the body. Muscles weaken.

Warning signs are few until the condition comes to full blossom.

Vitamin D and calcium can help the patient regain bone sturdiness.

An important task is finding why you developed a vitamin D deficiency. Your digestive tract might have an absorption problem, preventing adequate amounts of vitamin D from entering the body.

Osteomalacia is not the common bone disease osteoporosis. Think of osteomalacia as soft bones and osteoporosis as brittle bones.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Rickets must be a very uncommon condition during the second half of the 20th century in western Canada. I cannot recall meeting anyone who mentioned being afflicted. Having had to cope with rickets for most of my life, I wonder if there is a mental side effect of this condition. -- C.C.

ANSWER: Rickets is the childhood form of osteomalacia. Too little vitamin D and calcium soften and deform the bones. Legs can be bowed. The skull can be misshapen. Bone growth often is affected.

Fortification of foods, especially dairy products, with vitamin D has all but wiped out rickets.

Rickets does not affect mental function.

You were born just a bit too early, before vitamin D fortification of foods became standard practice.

Hints from Heloise

OVERRIPE BANANAS
Dear Heloise: When somewhat overripe bananas are on sale at our supermarket, I buy them and put in the freezer.

I peel them and wrap them in aluminum foil, at least three in a package, and use to make banana cake or bread.

I also remove at least two from the freezer, cut them while still frozen and blend in my mixer or slow, adding 1 or 2 cups of milk. This makes a delicious banana milkshake. -- Nell Spring, Jonesboro, La.

Any hint to save money or "keep" bananas longer is surely welcome. One note: I spoke to a leading banana importer and they suggested the following: Peel the bananas and mash them, add a dash of lemon juice and put them in an airtight freezer-safe container and then into the freezer. -- Heloise

SPECIAL FOOD PRESENTATIONS

Dear Heloise: I love to cook but especially like to do buffets. I am always looking for special food presentations. You see many ideas, especially for holidays and parties, in newspapers, magazines and coupon ads.

When I see something I would like to prepare -- for example, a cheese ball made to look like a pineapple -- I cut it out or make a copy and put it in a folder marked "ideas" and keep it with my recipes. That way I will have a picture to go by. People always seem to enjoy something new and different. -- Judy Blankenship, Roanoke, Va.

Send a money- or time-saving hint to Heloise, PO Box 795000, San Antonio TX 78279-5000 or fax it to 210-HELOISE. I can't answer your letter personally but will use the best hints received in my column.

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Area Events

CANYON

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum Auxiliary Fall Luncheon will be held in the Hazlewood Lecture Hall at noon Tuesday, Sept. 8.

Included on the agenda will be an overview of the museum's coming renovation by museum director Walt Davis.

Reservation deadline is noon Sept. 4. Tickets may be purchased at the Museum Store or by mail from Marie McNutt at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, WTAMU Box 60967, Canyon, Texas 79016.

PANHANDLE

A traveling exhibit titled "La Belle: The Mystery of La Salle in the Gulf" is on display at the Square House Museum in Panhandle through Oct. 25.

The exhibit is a sampling of artifacts recovered from the 312-year-old ship La Belle that ran aground during a storm in Matagorda Bay in 1686.

Visitors can view some of the artifacts found and preserved by the Texas Historical Commission including an 800-pound bronze cannon, a sword hilt, pewter plates, brass hawk bell and glass beads used to trade with the Indians.

This exhibit is one of four at the



Walt Davis, director of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon, and auxiliary members, JoCarol Gassaway and Lisa Kuhlman, discuss plans for renovation. Davis will present an overview of the renovation at the auxiliary's Fall Luncheon Sept. 8.

Square House with the overall title "Discovering Exploration." Others include "The Sun King: Louis XIV and the New World" from the Texas Humanities Resource Center; "La Salle and De Leon: France and Spain

in Texas" from the Cuero Heritage Museum; and a series of photographs about the excavation and preservation of the Belle and its artifacts from the Institute of Texan Cultures.

Museum hours are Monday

through Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

NAZARETH

Holy Family Parish in Nazareth will have its annual Labor Day Weekend Picnic on Sept. 6.

The event will kick off with a parade at 10 a.m. followed by a roast beef dinner served in the Community Hall from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Various activities will take place throughout the afternoon including an auction at 2 p.m. A hamburger supper will be served from 5 p.m.-8 p.m.

Festivities will end with a dance in the Community Hall from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. with the band "Southern Sky."

MULESHOE

The Progress Community, six miles northwest of Muleshoe, will have its reunion from 2 p.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 5 of Labor Day weekend in the Muleshoe Church of Christ meeting room.

Refreshments will be served. All former and present residents are invited to attend as well as friends and family members.

For more information, contact Kenneth Henry at 806-272-5651 or Billie Downing at 806-272-5169.

Fort Worth bank names Downing as senior VP

TexasBank recently announced the appointment of Kevin S. Downing, formerly of Hereford, to senior vice president of lending for the bank's Ridgmar Banking Center in Fort Worth.

Downing, a 1979 graduate of Hereford High School, is the son of



KEVIN S. DOWNING

Roland and Sandra Saul of Hereford.

Prior to joining TexasBank, Downing served as executive vice president for Town and Country Bank in the Metroplex area; executive vice president and chief lending officer for Community Bank in Granbury, and as a director for Community-Bank in Rockwall.

Downing is a graduate of the SMU Southwestern Graduate School of Banking and the Graduate School of Management at the University of Dallas.

According to a press release, Downing is a frequent guest speaker in college classrooms and Dallas/Fort Worth area business forums. In addition, he is a board member of the National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame, serves as a trustee for the Sao Pablo United Methodist Church and has served as a loan executive for the United Way of Metropolitan Tarrant County.

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Aug. 27th, the 239th day of 1998. There are 126 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 27, 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa blew up; the resulting tidal waves in Indonesia's Sunda Strait claimed some 36,000 lives in Java and Sumatra.

On this date:

In 1770, the German philosopher Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel was born in Stuttgart.

In 1892, fire seriously damaged New York's original Metropolitan Opera House, located at Broadway and 39th Street.

In 1908, Lyndon B. Johnson, the 36th president of the United States, was born near Stonewall, Texas.

In 1928, the Kellogg-Briand Pact was signed in Paris, outlawing war and providing for the peaceful settlement of disputes.

In 1945, American troops began landing in Japan following the surrender of the Japanese government in World War II.

In 1962, the United States launched the Mariner II space probe,

which flew past Venus the following December.

In 1967, Brian Epstein, manager of the Beatles, was found dead in his London flat from an overdose of sleeping pills.

In 1979, British war hero Lord Louis Mountbatten was killed off the coast of Ireland in a boat explosion claimed by the Irish Republican Army.

Ten years ago: Tens of thousands of civil rights marchers gathered in Washington, D.C., on the eve of the 25th anniversary of Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech.

Five years ago: The U.N. Security Council suspended 24-month-old economic sanctions against Haiti to spur the country's return to democracy. They were reimposed the following October.

One year ago: Former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy was charged with seeking and accepting more than \$35,000 dollars in trips, sports tickets and favors from companies that did business with his agency. His trial is set for Oct. 1. Israel lifted a month-long blockade of Bethlehem imposed after a suicide bombing July 30 that

killed 16 people.

Today's Birthdays: Cajun-country singer Jimmy C. Newman is 71. Actor Tommy Sands is 61. Bluegrass singer-musician J.D. Crowe is 61. Musician Daryl Dragon (The Captain and Tennille) is 56. Actress Tuesday Weld is 55. Rock singer-musician Tim Bogert is 54. Actress Marianne Sägebrecht is 53. Actress Barbara Bach is 51. Ex-porn star Harry Reems is 51. Country musician Jeff Cook (Alabama) is 49. Actor Paul Reubens is 46. Singer Willy DeVille is 45. Rock musician Alex Lifeson (Rush) is 45. Actress Diana Scarwid is 43. Writer-producer Dean Devlin ("Independence Day") is 36. Rock musician Mike Johnson (Dinosaur Jr.) is 33. Rap musician Bobo (Cypress Hill) is 30. Rock musician Tony Kanal (No Doubt) is 28. Actress Sarah Chalke ("Roseanne") is 22.

Thought for Today: "In spite of the honestest efforts to annihilate my 'I-ity,' or merge it in what the world doubtless considers my better half (historian Thomas Carlyle), I still find myself a self-subsisting and alas! self-seeking ME." - Jane Welsh Carlyle, English writer (1801-1866).

Hospice offers bereavement support series

Crown of Texas Hospice is offering a bereavement series, "Life, Loss and Transition," on Tuesdays, Sept. 1, 8, 15 and 22 from 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m. at Fellowship of Believers, 245 N. Kingwood.

This bereavement support program is for those who have experienced the death of a loved one.

It will be guided by Mona Romero, LMSW, professional grief counselor for Crown of Texas Hospice.

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Where: START SMART™ will be held at the Hereford YMCA for six consecutive Thursdays. Parent Orientation Meeting will be held on Aug. 31, 1998 from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

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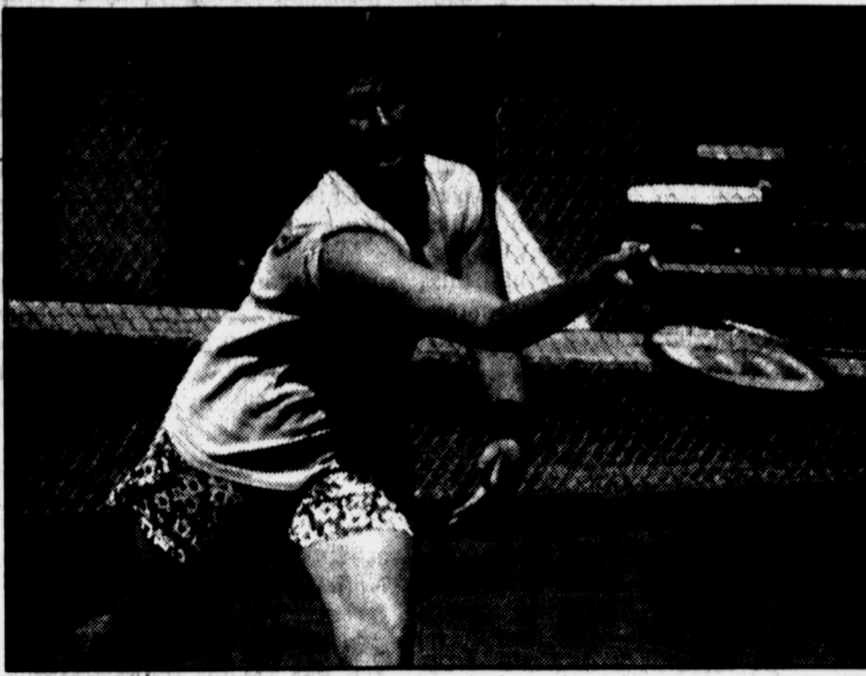


Photo by Julius Bodner

KYLEE AUCKERMAN of Hereford returns a shot during tennis practice Wednesday at Whiteface Courts.

Hereford tennis to play in Amarillo tournament

From staff reports
The Hereford tennis team will play in the Amarillo Team Tennis Tournament Friday and Saturday along with teams from Amarillo Caprock, El Paso Burges, Canyon Randall, Perryton, Amarillo Palo Duro and El Paso Austin.

Also competing in another division will be Wichita Falls High, Canyon, Amarillo High, Borger, Midland Lee, Plainview, Amarillo Tascosa and Pampa.

The Whitefaces will face off in the first round Friday against Perryton at Memorial Park.

Hereford High School Fall 1998 Tennis Schedule
Aug. 28-29, Amarillo Team Tennis Tournament;
Sept. 8, at Pampa; Sept. 12, at Amarillo Palo Duro; Sept. 19, Dumas; Sept. 26, Borger; Sept. 29, Amarillo Caprock;
Oct. 3, Pampa, Oct. 6, Amarillo Palo Duro; Oct. 10, at Dumas; Oct. 13, Lubbock Trinity; Oct. 17, at Borger; Oct. 20, at Amarillo Caprock.

Celina, Lindsay will make history

By JAIME ARON
AP Sports Writer
DALLAS -- G.A. Moore's name already is a fixture in the annals of Texas high school football. The Celina coach is one of three men with 300 victories and he's among a select group with four state titles.

It's only fitting, then, that Moore will march into Texas high school football history again Thursday night when his fourth-ranked Bobcats take on Lindsay in the first UIL regular-season game ever played in August.

It isn't a coincidence, either.

When Moore first heard the UIL was moving up the starting date for the season, he approached several coaches about joining him in an early opener. The first to bite was Lindsay coach Charlie Meurer.

Then Moore got to thinking: if they were going to be first, they should make a big deal out of it.

The result is "The Kickoff Classic," a 7:30 p.m. kickoff at Fouts Field on the University of North Texas campus. The game even has sponsors in Ultramar and Diamond Shamrock.

"We're trying to build it into something special," said Moore, who carries 326 wins and an .821 winning percentage into his 36th season. "I

think it's going to be a good experience."

The hype has been building all week in Celina, about 35 miles north of Dallas, and Lindsay, another 35 miles northwest.

"I'm not used to this much attention for a first ballgame," Meurer said. "It feels somewhat like a playoff game and it's just a pre-district game. It's been a lot of fun."

UIL athletic director Charles Breithaupt said the rule change that gives teams 11 weeks to play 10 regular-season games actually passed two years ago, but was downplayed because it wasn't going into effect until this fall. Coaches were reminded of it in February, following the most recent realignment, as they were beginning to make their schedules.

Breithaupt said coaches suggested the change to give them more flexibility in scheduling. He denied the popular theory that it's a step toward a mandatory early start date that would facilitate a new playoff system.

With one game Thursday and 31 on Friday, only 64 of the state's nearly 1,100 teams -- about 6 percent

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ABOVE THE NET



Photo by Julius Bodner

MAKESHA RIVES of Hereford (right) reaches to make a block with an unidentified teammate Saturday during a match at the Amarillo Invitational Volleyball Tournament. The Lady Whitefaces placed third in the tourney. Hereford will travel to Justin Northwest for another tournament Friday and Saturday.

Wallace still looking to break no-win skid

By DICK BRINSTER
AP Sports Writer
LOUDON, N.H. -- A glance at his record would make it easy to say that Rusty Wallace's best days are behind him.

Those things are said when a driver dominates a circuit for a few seasons, then can't buy a win. And they are an easy sell to the skeptics, based on just one factor -- 0-for-51.

But Wallace, whose 47 victories are surpassed by only two drivers still active on the Winston Cup circuit, won't let the second-worst drought of his career alter the belief that he will win again. And a close look at the standings backs him up.

Only Jeff Gordon, Mark Martin and Dale Jarrett are ahead of him,

"There's kind of an empty feeling that you get if you're dominant and fail to put the big numbers on the board. You get a little taste of what they say about second place just being the first loser."



-- Rusty Wallace

and three dozen others wish they were doing as well.

"Failure is the path of least persistence," Wallace said, elimi-

nating from an analysis of his predicament the notion that perhaps he isn't as hungry as he was four years ago, when his position

as the top driver on the tour was unchallenged.

"If we keep beating on the door, we're bound to knock it down sooner or later," crew chief Robin Pemberton said.

They hope that comes as soon as Sunday, when Wallace races in the CMT 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway. And even if the streak reaches 52 races, stretching back to March 2, 1997 in Richmond, Va., Wallace has some success to show in that span -- 18 top-five finishes, including six thirds and five seconds.

"We finished fourth at Loudon in July with this car," Wallace said of the Ford Taurus he used in the Jiffy Lube 300. "And I think

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Hatfield, Owls want more than winning season in '98

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer
HOUSTON -- It says something about how far Ken Hatfield has taken the Rice Owls when the team is no longer satisfied with a winning season.

It says even more that the Owls are no longer satisfied with back-to-back 7-4 records, their first since 1960-61.

"We are trying to go beyond that and it's difficult because our schedule is so tough," Hatfield said. "We are not a dominant team. We can't play bad and win, we've shown that."

"A team like Michigan might have an off week and win. The more experienced players we have that understand we can't do that, the better chance we have of being competitive every week."

Rice lost to Air Force in last season's opener, then played its best football in decades over the next six weeks to move into contention for the Western Athletic Conference title.

But just when they were closing in on the glory, an open date spoiled the momentum. Losses to Southern

WAC PREVIEW RICE

Methodist and Utah in the last four weeks left in a bitter taste for such a promising season.

"The off week really hurt us," Hatfield said. "Everybody already was counting on us to win, but we didn't stay hungry and that was my fault. We hadn't been in that position for quite some time."

Michael Perry, the fourth running back in school history to surpass 1,000 yards, returns for his senior season and former walk-on Charles Torello is back to anchor the offensive line.

In fact, the Owls return nine defensive and seven offensive starters. However, they must replace quarterback Chad Nelson and running back Benji Woods, each of whom almost joined Perry as 1,000-yard

rushers.

Nelson had 953 yards and Woods 936. Perry was the WAC's leading rusher with 103.4 yards per game and the Owls' 366 yards rushing per game were second in the country to Nebraska.

"When you play Nebraska, you have to stop the run and the pass, but against us they had to stop the run all the time, they had their best run defense set up every down," Hatfield said. "We'd like to get them worrying about our passing a little. That will make our running even better."

While Rice is sticking with its run-oriented spread option offense, a change in quarterback may lead to more passing. Jeremy Bates replaces the departed Nelson, with Chad Richardson as his backup.

"We'll throw the ball more because both of our quarterbacks have stronger arms than Chad (Nelson) and they're not quite as gifted runners," Hatfield said.

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RICE AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press
Facts about the Rice Owls:
SCHOOL COLORS: Blue and gray
FOUNDED: 1912
ENROLLMENT: 2,600
LOCATED: Houston
COACH: Ken Hatfield (21-22-1 at Rice, 134-84-4 as NCAA head coach)
RECORD IN 1997: 7-4 (5-3 in WAC, T-2nd Mountain Div.)
OVERALL RECORD: 372-464-32
LAST BOWL APPEARANCE: 1961 Bluebonnet Bowl
STADIUM: Rice Stadium (70,000)
RETURNING STARTERS: 5 offensive, 9 defensive
KEY PLAYERS: Jeremy Bates, jr. QB; Charles Torello, sr. G; Michael Perry, sr. RB; Thomas Benford, sr. ILB; Rashad Reynolds, sr. ILB; LaDoughyous McCalla, sr. DB; Terrence Melton, sr. DE.
1997 FINAL RANKING: unranked
1998 SCHEDULE:
Sept. 5: SMU
Sept. 12: at Purdue
Sept. 19: Northwestern
Sept. 26: at Texas
Oct. 10: at San Jose St.
Oct. 17: Tulsa
Oct. 24: at Wyoming
Oct. 31: Colorado St.
Nov. 7: at TCU
Nov. 14: UNLV
Nov. 21: at Air Force

Gators confident heading into season

By EDDIE PELLIS
AP Sports Writer
BIRMINGHAM, Ala. -- Wrestling the title away from Florida was one thing. Eliminating the swagger could prove more difficult.

A season after failing to win the Southeastern Conference for the first time since 1992, the Gators hardly seem like a team on a downslide. Rather, they're confident -- what's new? -- and excited about entering the season full of unproven quarterbacks.

They relish their role as favorites. They were ranked third in The Associated Press preseason poll and are the clear choice to climb back to the top of what is considered by many to be the country's toughest conference.

"I like that," said Florida coach Steve Spurrier, seemingly unfazed by Florida's failure to defend the 1996 national and conference titles last year.

"We want our players to know we're supposed to win it. We don't want them to feel like it's a fluke if we do win it."

Florida finished 9-2 and continued its mastery over Tennessee last season, beating the Volunteers for the fifth straight time. But the Gators slipped against LSU and Georgia, costing them the SEC East and a chance to match Alabama's record of five consecutive league championships.

Georgia, Tennessee and LSU should again be Florida's main threats, but all have noticeable weaknesses: Tennessee comes in without Peyton Manning, Georgia went into camp mired in a five-man battle of inexperienced quarterbacks and LSU has a strong nucleus but no recent history of stringing together important wins.

"It's still Florida, Florida, Florida wherever you go," said defensive lineman Charles Dorsey of Auburn, which won the SEC West last season. "Spurrier brings his reputation wherever he goes. Even when the offense isn't great, you have to believe they can put up 60 points at any time."

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Gators

Still, the preseason hype has surrounded the defense.

Defensive lineman Ed Chester is a strong All-American candidate, as are linebackers Johnny Rutledge and Jevon Kearse. Kearse, known as "The Freak" by his teammates, is 6-foot-5, 255 pounds and runs the 40 in 4.5 seconds.

On offense, Spurrier eventually will decide between sophomore Jesse Palmer and junior Doug Johnson at quarterback. Johnson is coming off shoulder surgery after overthrowing in football and his second career, minor league baseball, and won't be available for Florida's Sept. 5 opener against The Citadel.

He threw for 2,023 yards and 21 touchdowns last year before finding his way into Spurrier's doghouse. Many people predict the unsettled quarterback situation is a sign that Spurrier will have to water down the offense, but the coach hasn't committed to that yet.

"I don't know what we'll do," he said. "If you hit a whole bunch of passes early, you keep pitching. If you can't hit anything, then you slow down and try something different. It's really not that complicated."

Georgia's Jim Donnan may not enjoy that flexibility. Heading into camp, he was trying to decide between junior Jon England (five career passes), sophomore Mike Usry (seven) and freshmen Nate Hybl and Quincy Carter to replace Mike Bobo.

Otherwise, Donnan's got a solid core -- including receiver-defensive

back Champ Bailey -- returning from a team that won 10 games last season and snapped a seven-year losing streak against the Gators.

"We do have a good defense, we have a good offensive line," said Donnan, who enters his third year at Georgia. "For the first time since I've been there, we're going to line up against a lot of teams and say, 'Hey, we're going to run the ball, you've got to stop us.'"

Tennessee figures to do the same, basing more of its offense around 1,364-yard rusher Jamal Lewis than quarterback Tee Martin, who spent the last two years watching Manning play.

This could be the farewell for quarterback Tim Couch at Kentucky if the junior picks up from where he left off last season. He looked like a sure bet for the NFL under coach Hal Mumme's new offense last season, throwing for 3,884 yards and 37 touchdowns.

South Carolina coach Brad Scott will fight for his job this year after going 22-22-1 in his first four seasons. Vanderbilt led the conference in defense last season but failed to win a SEC game.

In the West, LSU appears to be the favorite. Senior quarterback Herb Tyler will run a ground-based offense centered on tailbacks Kevin Faulk (1,144 yards in 1997) and Rondell Mealey (664 yards).

The Tigers finished 9-3 last year, losing to Auburn and Mississippi to finish second for the second straight

season. This looks like LSU's turn to break through, but coach Gerry DiNardo refuses to put that pressure on his team.

"I don't ever want to think we're so fragile that one thing is going to make that big a statement about our program," DiNardo said.

Auburn won 10 last year and came within a point of taking the SEC title, but lost quarterback Dameyune Craig to graduation, linebacker Takeo Spikes to the NFL, receiver Robert Baker to a drug conviction and -- most recently -- two starting offensive linemen who left for personal reasons.

Mississippi State's Jackie Sherrill has built his usual assortment of stout linemen and put the defense in the hands of innovative coordinator Joe Lee Dunn. As always, the Bulldogs could be a threat, but must remain healthy because depth is lacking.

Mississippi made its first bowl game since 1992 last year in what coach Tommy Tuberville called a "miracle season." Sophomore quarterback Romar Miller will be asked to replace the offensive explosiveness that departed tailback John Avery provided last year.

Alabama coach Mike DuBose apparently feels untested senior quarterback John David Phillips will give the Crimson Tide a better chance to win this season than top recruit Tyler Watts.

Still, the Tide trades in Houston and Kentucky for Brigham Young and Florida on the schedule, meaning another 4-7 season for DuBose is a possibility.

Wallace

that we've hit on something that'll make the car much better."

Wallace won 18 times in 1993-94. He was so dominant that competitor Ricky Rudd once complained, "He should win every race."

"I remember several races through the years where we had a car that was that dominant," Wallace said.

Like two years ago, in Bristol, Tenn., where Wallace led 353 of 500 laps.

"If not for us having to come back from a flat tire and the way a couple of green-flag pit stops sequenced around, we might have led the whole thing," he said.

"There's no better feeling than dominating a race and bringing home the win.

"What happens is that you get out there and everything clicks. The car handles like a dream. You can stick the thing anywhere you want. You get a rhythm going, and it seems like the laps just fly by."

But it's been a bumpy flight recently for Wallace, who has won but once over the last two seasons. There have been races where he's dominated, but somehow, something -- a flat tire, a broken engine, an accident, being outrun late -- has left him frustrated.

"There's kind of an empty feeling that you get if you're dominant and fail to put the big numbers on the board," he said.

"You get a little taste of what they say about second place just being the first loser."

History

-- are taking the UIL up on its new offer. The benefit to them is being able to have a week off during the season while still getting in 10 games.

Celina and Lindsay strategically will be idle just before district play begins. That should allow for healing of bumps and bruises heading into the most important stretch of the year.

"If I was a coach, I'd be in favor of starting early to begin evaluating talent, then take a week off to get ready for district," said Breithaupt, adding he wasn't surprised by the low number of teams playing this weekend. "Some are skeptical about the change, but I think more will agree with it in two years," after current schedule contracts expire.

Three of Friday's games involve

ranked teams. Brownwood, ranked third in 4A, visits San Angelo Central; 4A's No. 7 Andrews hosts El Paso Eastwood and 2A's No. 10 Italy plays at Trinity Christian Cedar Hill.

Moore said he expects the buildup surrounding the opener to be a good test for his squad as it breaks in 10 new starters.

"We have so many young kids, this gives us a chance to evaluate them under pressure," Moore said.

Meurer, coming off a 10-3 year, said the game can only help his team.

"I know Celina has enough talent to expose our weaknesses," he said. "That leaves the door open for us to evaluate what we need to do to get better."

Fivesome shoots 27

From staff reports

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Wednesday Night Scramble at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course
27 -- Roy Riley, Jerry Ripley, Tony Barker, Dennis Davison, Dwayne Robbins.
30 -- Jeff Shilton, Aaron Roberts, N.D. Kelso, Ed Sanders, Paul Hubbard, Richard Davis, Bill Brown, Amy Jenson, Linda Stevens, Ed Durrett, Mary Shelton, Don Davison.

Braves halt 'Stros streak, 6-2

HOUSTON (AP) -- John Smoltz won his eighth straight decision and Javy Lopez hit a two-run homer, leading the Atlanta Braves over Houston 6-2 Wednesday night and snapping the Astros' five-game winning streak.

The victory gave Atlanta a split in the two-game series between division leaders.

Braves third baseman Chipper Jones pulled muscles in his right rib

cage in batting practice, then aggravated the injury when he flew out in the first inning. He left the game and is expected to miss a few days.

Smoltz (13-2) allowed five hits in seven strong innings and avenged a loss to the Astros on May 17. His only other loss came on June 26 against Toronto.

The Braves have an 18-3 record in Smoltz's 21 starts.

Brewers edge Rockies, 6-5

DENVER (AP) -- Bill Pulsipher pitched six shutout innings. Jeff Cirillo hit a solo home run and Phil Garner earned his 500th victory as a major league manager as the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Colorado Rockies 6-5 Wednesday night.

The Brewers broke a three-game losing streak. They led 6-0 before the Rockies rallied for five runs in the eighth.

Colorado came back in the eighth as Dante Bichette hit a two-run single, Vinny Castilla had an RBI single and Todd Helton hit a two-run double off reliever Bob Wickman.

Jamey Wright (7-12) pitched 6-2-3 innings, allowing 10 hits and four runs -- all after two outs.

Hatfield

Rice's offensive line will be strong with returning starters in Torello, Neal Gray, Mike Vietor and Rod Beavan, who started three games last year before suffering a season-ending shoulder injury.

Hatfield's area of concern is the defense, which allowed 383.5 yards per game last year to rank 73rd among NCAA Division I-A schools.


New defensive coordinator Roger Hirtshaw has plenty of work ahead of him.

"That's the one area for us to get to the championship level, we've got to get to being a dominating defense," Hatfield said. "We have an aggressive defense that plays hard. We just need to be bigger and stronger."

The Owls also need to be wiser if they get another chance at the championship.

"I hope we learned a lot from that week off before SMU when we got caught up in all the talk and adulation," Hatfield said. "We need to take advantage of those learning situations and play at the top level all the time."

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NASCAR WINSTON CUP

By The Associated Press
NASCAR Winston Cup driver point standings:

1. Jeff Gordon, 3,417; 2. Mark Martin, 3,350; 3. Dale Jarrett, 3,184; 4. Rusty Wallace, 3,033; 5. Bobby Labonte, 2,832; 6. Jeremy Mayfield, 2,809; 7. Jeff Burton, 2,778; 8. Dale Earnhardt, 2,671; 9. Terry Labonte, 2,606; 10. Ken Schrader, 2,533; 11. John Andretti, 2,410; 12. Bobby Hamilton, 2,408; 13. Ernie Ivan, 2,354; 14. Sterling Marlin, 2,328; 15. Michael Waltrip, 2,324; 16. Bill Elliott, 2,309; 17. Jimmy Spencer, 2,249; 18. Chad Little, 2,226; 19. Ted Musgrave, 2,177; 20. Johnny Benson, 2,148; 21. Ward Burton, 2,090; 22. Darrell Waltrip, 2,076; 23. Brett Bodine, 2,026; 24. Ricky Rudd, 1,985; 25. Joe Nemecek, 1,961; 26. Dick Trickle, 1,897; 27. Kenny Irwin, 1,890; 28. Kyle Petty, 1,884; 29. Mike Skinner, 1,847; 30. Robert Pressley, 1,746; 31. Rick Mast, 1,769; 32. Geoff Bodine, 1,745; 33. Steve Grissom, 1,714; 34. Kenny Wallace, 1,594; 35. Jerry Nadeau, 1,381; 36. Lake Speed, 1,297; 37. Derrile Cope, 1,226; 38. Kevin Lepage, 1,223; 39. Wally Dallenbach, 1,086; 40. Rich Bickle, 961.

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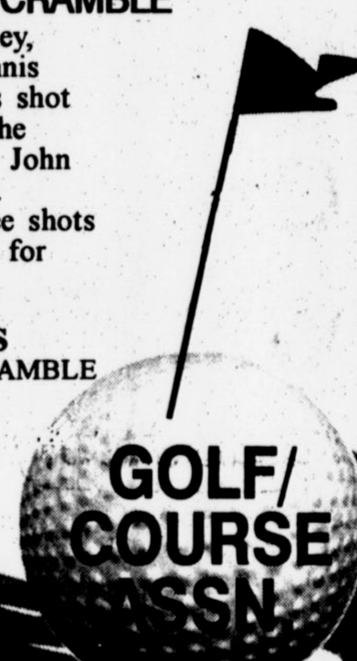
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Real-life terrorist attack strikes fear in Hollywood

LOS ANGELES (AP) - "HOLLYWOOD ON ALERT," the front-page headline in *Daily Variety* shouted, making clear that even the land of fantasy can't escape reality. Since last week's U.S. missile strikes in Sudan and Afghanistan, the entertainment industry - a prominent symbol of all things American - has been concerned about being a target of retaliation.

Authorities said Wednesday the bombing of a Planet Hollywood restaurant in South Africa probably was the work of local terrorists taking aim at the United States. Even though the restaurant is locally owned, the chain's partners include Bruce Willis and Sylvester Stallone.

Security fears forced Disney to cancel an appearance by costumed Mickey and Minnie Mouse characters in a mall in the United Arab Emirates. The worldwide entertainment giant also is "redoubling" security at

its theme parks in Tokyo, Paris, Florida and Southern California, a spokesman said.

In addition, some Arab-American and Muslim groups are protesting against 20th Century Fox over what they call stereotyping of Arab Muslims in the upcoming movie "The Siege," about a terrorist attack on New York City. Coincidentally, the movie stars Willis.

Richard H. Dekmejian, a professor of political science at the University of Southern California and an expert on terrorism, said Wednesday the way Hollywood is viewed in conservative cultures puts the world's movie theaters, clubs, theme parks or restaurants at risk for terrorist attacks.

Dekmejian said that among conservative people, including Islamic fundamentalists, Hollywood is seen as yet another symbol of American cultural encroachment. The motion picture industry attracts

additional heat because of its tendency to cast Muslims as villains.

"We don't want to be too alarmist about these things," Dekmejian said. "But in this kind of atmosphere, there would be a heightened sense of vulnerability" for Hollywood.

The entertainment industry paid close attention to Tuesday's bombing of the crowded Planet Hollywood in Cape Town, South Africa. One person was killed and 27 were injured.

The entertainment trade paper *Daily Variety* made the attack and its possible ramifications on the entertainment business, its lead story Wednesday, with a color photo of a bloodied victim.

Meanwhile, Disney officials in Burbank canceled three days of appearances of Mickey, Minnie and other costumed characters scheduled to begin Saturday at

Dubai's Bur Juman mall, due to security concerns.

Disney spokesman Tom Deegan said the company has committed "additional resources to bolster security" at its theme parks and that employees have been told "to be aware of changes in the work environment and report any unusual circumstances."

"In light of the current world situation and (the U.S.) confrontation with the terrorists, we think prudence at this moment is the best policy," he said. "We're a visible symbol. So is McDonald's, so is Coca-Cola, so is Planet Hollywood."

"The Siege" is scheduled for release Nov. 6, and although the film isn't finished yet, Arab-American activists obtained a copy of the script and saw the 90-second trailer that cuts between praying Muslims and exploding bombs.

"QUEEN OF HEARTS"

NEW YORK (AP) - Her life and death already the stuff of movies, Princess Diana will be immortalized on stage in the musical "Queen of Hearts."

The musical is scheduled to open off-Broadway in October, playwright Stephen Stahl said Wednesday. He said it was "a very loving and basically straightforward portrait of Diana."

Stahl has cast unknowns Kendra Munger as Diana and James Walsh as Prince Charles, backed by a cast of singing characters portraying the people in Diana's life, including her sons, Prince William and Prince Harry.

Princess Diana, 36, died Aug. 31, 1997, from injuries she suffered in a Paris car crash that also killed her boyfriend, Dodi Fayed.

DONALD TRUMP

FORT LEE, N.J. (AP) - Donald Trump gets an earful about running for political office and takes most of it with a grain of salt.

Mindful of his own image as a ladies' man, Trump ponders the president's political problems.

"Can you imagine how controversial I'd be? You think about him with the women - how about me with the women? Can you imagine?" Trump said in a CNBC interview to air tonight.

"I really like this guy, but you really have to say, 'Where does it stop?'" said Trump, adding that he believes President Clinton has "had such bad advice" in handling his recent troubles.

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Names in the news

BEN STILLER

NEW YORK (AP) - Ben Stiller's career is booming, thanks to his missteps along the way.

Stiller, who co-stars with Cameron Diaz in the goofy comedy "There's Something About Mary" has two new movies: "Your Friends and Neighbors" and "Permanent Midnight."

If things seemed bleak not so long ago, Stiller says all the experiences paid off.

"You learn more from failures than successes," he says in the Aug. 28 edition of USA Weekend.

Consider his resume: His 1992 "Ben Stiller Show" on Fox was last in the ratings but gave him valuable behind-the-scenes experience. He directed Jim Carrey in "The Cable Guy," a comedy that some fans found too dark. His plan to film a movie about a Rolling Stones tour fell through.

The 32-year-old Stiller says he gleaned plenty from his parents, comedians Jerry Stiller and Anne Meara. He especially learned resilience.

Television

THURSDAY AUGUST 27

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Eyewitness	Wild World	Mystery!	Via-a-Via	Charlie Rose	NewsHour				
Show-Funny	Show-Funny	Mr. Bill	Life, Camera	Movie: The Night of the Twisters (1996) **	700 Club	Mr. Bill				
News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Frasier	Seinfeld	Frasier	ER	News	(35) Tonight Show		
Movie: Escape to Witch Mountain	(35) Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals	Movie: Menace-Mtn.	Zorro							
Griffith	Griffith	(05) Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals	(05) Movie: The War Wagon (1967) ***							
News	Fortune	World's Deadliest Sea	Summer Thursday	Nightline in Primetime	News	Seinfeld	Nightline			
Fam. Mat.	Coach	Wiseguy	Major League Baseball Chicago Cubs at Colorado Rockies							
News	Home Imp.	NFL Preseason Football Dallas Cowboys at Jacksonville Jaguars	News	(35) Late Show						
Mad	Simpsons	Wildcat Police Videos	Fox Files	Earth: Final Conflict	Frasier	Cops	Real TV			
Sportsctr.	WNBA	WNBA Basketball Playoffs: Championship	Baseball Tonight	Sportscenter	Baseball					
Movie: So I Married	Movie: Air Force One Harrison Ford *** R	(06) Linc's	RudeAwak	(05) Stargate SG-1	Beverly Hills					
(15) Movie: My Girl Macaulay Culkin *** PG	Movie: Fools Rush In Matthew Perry ** PG-13	Autopsy 4-Spk.	Arlis							
Movie: Wild America PG	Movie: Escape From L.A. Kurt Russell ** R	Movie: Anaconda Jennifer Lopez PG-13	Movie: Lethal Weapon 2							
Movie: In Summertime	Movie: On the Town (1949) Gene Kelly ****	Movie: She Had to Say Yes (1933) **	Movie: Yentl (1983) ***							
Waltons	NASCAR: 50 Years	Prime Time Country	Today's Country	Dallas	Dukes					
Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery	Unknown	Movie Magic	Wings	Justice Files	Wild Disc.				
Law & Order	Biography	Unexplained	Touch of Frost	Law & Order	Biography					
Party of Five	WNBA Basketball Playoffs: Championship Game 2	Chicago Hope	Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls					
Last Word	Sports	Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals	FOX Sports News	Sports						
Babylon 5	Movie: Midway (1976) Charlton Heston, Henry Fonda. ** 1/2									
Doug	Rugrats	Shelby Woo	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Bewitched	M.T. Moore	
Xena: Warrior Princess	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: Every Mother's Worst Fear (1998) Cheryl Ladd						Slit Stalkings	Highlander	
Mi Pequena Traviesa	Vivo por Elena	Desencuentro	Bienvenidos	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Al Ritmo				
20th Century	Tibet's Lost Paradise	Great Depression	Modern Marvels	Trains Unlimited	Tibets					
Human Nature	AnimalDr	Emergency	Crocodile Hunter	Ocean	Ocean	AnimalDr	Emergency	Crocodile		

Comics

FRIDAY AUGUST 28

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Barney	Arthur	Sesame Street	Puzzle Place	Reading	Teletubbies	Mr. Rogers	Arthur	Barney	Chesapeake	
Harveytooth	All Dogs Go	Earlie Ind.	Creepy	Heathcliff	Candy	Kangaroo	Station	Mr. Moose	Adv. Mumfie	Bobby
Today	Leza	Sunset Beach	Judges Lane	News	Days-Lives					
Goof Troop	Mickey	Mermaid	Pooh	Bear	Katie-Orbie	Chip 'n' Dale	Madeline	Mermaid	Pooh	Jungle Cubs
Gilligan	3's Co.	Movie: Bless All Dear Children	Mama	Mama	Movie:					
Good Morning America		Live - Regis & Kathie Lee	The View	People's Court	News					
ChannUm	Captain	BugsDaffy	Animaniacs	PinkyBrain	Batman	Griffith	Griffith	Gerardo Rivera	News	
This Morning	Ricki Lake	Price Is Right	Young and Restless	News						
Bobby	Life-Louie	101Dalmats	X-Men	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Life In-Word	Kenneth C. Robison	Judge Judy	
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	
Movie: Joe's Apartment Jerry O'Connell	Movie: The Film Flam Man ***	(15) Movie: March or Die Gene Hackman ** PG	Movie:							
Movie: Swing Shift Goldie Hawn PG	(45) Movie: The First Wives Club Goldie Hawn PG	Movie: So I Married an Axe Murderer	Event							
(15) Movie: 84 Charing Cross Road Anne Bancroft PG	Movie: The Evening Star Shirley MacLaine ** PG-13	(15) Movie: Vibes Cyndi Lauper. ** 1/2 PG								
(6:25) Movie: Mayerling	Movie: Conquest (1937) Greta Garbo ***	Movie: Confidential Agent (1945) Charles Boyer ***	Parade							
(Off Air)	Club Dance	Crook & Chase	Dallas	Aleene's Creative Living	Waltons					
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Interior Mot.	Start	Home Matters	Housemart!	Interior Motives	Home			
McMillan and Wife	Equalizer	Quincy	Northern Exposure	Law & Order						
Designing	Designing	Attitudes	Attitudes	Party of Five	Chicago Hope	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Yarn			
Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Last Word
CHiPs	CHiPs	Charlie's Angels	Spenser: For Hire	Movie: Midway (1976) Henry Fonda ** 1/2						
CharlieB	Rugrats	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Busy World	Muppets	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Rupert		
Facts of Life	Facts of Life	Gimme B.	Strangers	Wings	Wings	Major Dad	Major Dad	Wings	Movie: Gross Anatomy	
(6:00) Despierta America	Malte	A Todo Corazon	Leonela							
Classroom	Real West	Holocaust	Berlin Airlift: First Battle of the Cold War							
Animal	Acorn	Pet Con.	Absolutely	Pet Line	Wild About	Amazing	AnimalDr	Pet Con.	Absolutely	Pet Line

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Body Elec.	Painting	Time Goes	Art of Aging in America	Visions	Music	Sandiego	Science Guy	Washbone	Magic Bus	
Menace	Casper	Ghostbats	Eek!stravag.	Bad Dog	Walter M.	Three Friends & Jerry	Pea-wee	Outrageous!	You Said	
Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Maury	Maury	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News			
Tale Spin	Chip 'n' Dale Timon	Goof Troop	Aladdin	Dinosaurs	GrowPains	Off the Wall	Flash	GrowPains	Brotherly	
(12:00) Movie: Masters of the Universe	Flintstones	Flintstones	New Scooby	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.		
Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Howie Mandel	Rosie O'Donnell	News	ABC News				
News	Empty Nest	WiseGuy	Beverly Hills, 90210	Major League Baseball: Rangers at White Sox						
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Sally	Am. Journal	Edition	News	CBS News			
Judge Judy	Forgive or Forget	Little House on the Prairie	Cartoon Cabana	Spider-Man	Rangers	Fresh Pr.	Grace Under			
Senior PGA Golf: Bank of Boston Classic	Golf U.S. Amateur Open Championship - Third Round	Str. PGA	Inside PGA	Up Close	Sportsctr.					
(12:00) Movie: Green Ice Ryan O'Neal	Movie: Back to the Beach Frankie Avalon	Movie: American Dreamer JoBeth Williams. ** 1/2 PG	Movie:							
Movie: Fast Forward John Scott Clough. ** PG	Baba Ruth	Movie: Backlash: Oblivion 2 Meg Foster.	Movie: Aspen Extreme **							
Movie:	Movie: House Arrest Jamie Lee Curtis. ** 1/2 PG	Movie: Romeo & Juliet Leonardo DiCaprio. *** PG-13	Movie: One Fine Day PG							
Movie: Becoming	Movie: Latin Lovers (1953) Lana Turner. ** 1/2	Movie: The Young Lovers (1964) Peter Fonda. ** 1/2	Movie: Summer Stock							
Waltons	America's Country Hits	Crook & Chase	Dallas							
Home	Housemart!	Interior Motives	Great Chefs	Great Chefs	Travelers	Wings				
Law & Order	McMillan and Wife	Equalizer	Quincy	Northern Exposure						
(12:00) Movie: The Yarn Princess (1994)	Intimate Portrait	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Ellen	Ellen			
Football	Boxing Fight Night at the Great Western Forum	Cowboys	Football	Big 12 Show	Pennant	Spike	Last Word			
(11:00) Movie: ** 1/2 Midway (1976) Charlton Heston, Henry Fonda	Movie: In the Heat of the Night Kung Fu: Legend	Lois & Clark-Superman								
Muppets	CharlieB	Garfield	Nick in the Afternoon	Clarissa	You Afraid?	Rocko's Life	Figure It Out	Tiny Toon		
(11:30) Movie: Gross Anatomy (1989)	PGA Golf World Series - Second Round									
Leonela	Destino de Mujer	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Club	Noticiero					
Berlin Airlift	20th Century	Holocaust	Berlin Airlift: First Battle of the Cold War							
Wild About	Amazing	AnimalDr	AnimalBts	Zooventure	Lassie	Lassie	Absolutely	Pet Line	Amazing	Pet Shop

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NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Wash. Week	Wall St	Mark R.	Rattler!	Time Goes	Keeping Up	Charlie Rose	NewsHour		
Show-Funny	Show-Funny	Mr. Bill	Life, Camera	Movie: Airheads (1994) Brendan Fraser. **	700 Club	Mr. Bill				
News	Ent. Tonight	Sunset-Shock	Deadline	Law & Order	News	(35) Tonight Show				
Movie: Computer Wore Shoes	(35) Movie: Jungle 2 Jungle Tim Allen ** PG	Marsupiami	Movie: Menace-Mtn.	Zorro						
Griffith	Griffith	(05) Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals	(05) Movie: Short Circuit (1986) **							
News	Fortune	Sabrina	You Wish	Boy-World	Teen Angel	20/20	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
Major League Baseball	Griffith	Griffith	Major League Baseball Chicago Cubs at Colorado Rockies							
News	Home Imp.	Kids Say	Candice C.	Unsolved Mysteries	Nash Bridges	News	(35) Late Show			
Mad	Simpsons	Personal	Personal	17th Annual	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Frasier	Cops	Real TV		
Sportsctr.	College Football Preview	NASCAR's 50-Year Victory	NASCAR's 50-Year Victory	Baseball	Sportscenter	Baseball				
Movie: Joe's Apartment	Movie: The Game (1997) Michael Douglas, Sean Penn	Boxing William Joppy vs. Roberto Duran								
Movie: ** Aspen Extreme	Movie: Men in Black Tommy Lee Jones.	(45) Movie: Indiscreet Luke Perry. R	Chris Rock	Spawn</						

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313 N. Lee

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1. ARTICLES FOR SALE

A Great Gift!! Texas Country Reporter Cookbook -- the cookbook everyone is talking about. 256 pages featuring quotes on recipes ranging from 1944 War Worker rolls to a creative concoction using Texas tumbleweeds. \$13.95 at Hereford Brand. 17961

The Roads of Texas and The Roads of New Mexico are for sale at The Hereford Brand in book form. Texas maps are \$14.95 plus tax, and New Mexico maps are \$14.95 plus tax. Discover roads you never knew were there. Hereford Brand, 313 N. Lee. 24757

A must book for every home. **THE TEXAS ALMANAC, 1996-97 edition.** Updates info, facts on Texas counties, politics, education and more, including special features. \$12.95 plus tax at the Hereford Brand. 313 N. Lee St. 31062

Rebuilt Kirbys 1/2 price with warranty. Other name brands. \$39 & up. Sales & Repairs in your home, on all makes & models. Call 364-4288. 32086

Morgan Building, 14x30 on skids (to be moved). \$6400. 1-800-759-8888, PIN 1618032. 36408

AKC REGISTERED BOXERS for sale. Call 364-0255. 37117

For Sale! Dining room table, chairs and hutch. Call 364-2774. 37150

FRESH GARDEN PRODUCE! Black-eyed peas, green beans, Anaheim peppers, okra, bell peppers. You can pick or I will! Call 364-1381 and leave message. 37152

For Sale!! Side-by-side refrigerator \$100. Oak dining table \$75. Two mauve livingroom chairs, both for \$7. Call 364-4391. 37156

The Gift Garden
Merle Norman Cosmetics

Help your child create a personal time capsule to be opened on the child's High School graduation day.

Also Wedding Capsules, Baby Capsules and Graduation Capsules. Always cosmetics!

220 N. Main • 364-0323

Lady Kenmore white Washer and Dryer. \$250. Call 364-2410. 37159

For Sale! King-sized waterbed with 12 drawer base. Call 364-1093. 37166

For Sale! Fender guitar and Peavey bass. Call 363-2266 or 364-4214. 37168

1A. GARAGE SALES

BACKYARD Sale
429 Avenue D
from 8:00 am to ???
Clothes, many miscellaneous items, dining table & chairs, kitchenware, household items, vases, plus much more!!
Friday & Saturday

BIG LAWN SALE! Friday and Saturday, 9:00 til 5:00. Vega -- 19 miles north of Hereford on Hwy. 385. Oak crib and mattress (like new), super single waterbed (never used) with headboard, small kitchen appliances, dishes, frames, household decor, etc., comforters, bedspreads, sleeping bags, sheet sets, riding toys, electronic toys, Nintendo, Duplo blocks, FP castle, FP Flip track railroad, kids videos, lots of GOOD kids clothes, Umbro shorts and shirts (sizes 4-16), Lee and Levi jeans and shorts (sizes 4-14), girls dresses and outerwear (sizes 8-14), shoes, Roper boots, Halloween costumes, Jr./Misses dresses (sizes 3, 5, 7) AND MUCH MORE!!

Friday and Saturday 8:00 til ??? 805 Irving. Dishes, new and used clothes, dishwashers, lovers seat piano, etc. 37155

Thursday, Friday & Saturday. 8:00--?? 409 Avenue C. Clothes (all sizes), furniture, lots of dishes, entertainment center. 37157

Yard Sale!! 529 W. 2nd. Thursday, Friday & Saturday. 10:00 a.m. -- ?? Furniture, dishes, and lots of miscellaneous. 37160

Friday 1:00p.m. til 8:00p.m. 215 Western. Avon, Tupperware, children's clothes, furniture, appliances, baby items, lots of knickknacks, adult clothes. CHEAP! 37163

3-Family Yard Sale! 615 Austin Street. Thursday and Friday. 8:00 a.m. til 4:00 p.m. 37169

Lots of Everything! Toddler girl 2-4, boys 4-7, teenager clothes (name brand), shoes & lots more. 327 Avenue C. Friday & Saturday. 8:00-??? 37170

Yard Sale! 813 S. Schley. Friday & Saturday, 8:00 til ??? Bit of Everything! 37174

Yard Sale! Friday & Saturday, 8:00 til ?? 601 Austin St. next to high school. Little of everything -- furniture, dishes, miscellaneous. 37175

Yard Sale! 507 W. 4th. Friday & Saturday, 8:00 til 12:00. A little of everything! 37176

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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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STUMPED? For answers to today's crossword, call 1-800-454-7377/99¢ per minute, touch-tone / rotary phones. (18+ only.) A King Features service, NYC.

MOVING SALE! Friday & Saturday. 129 Avenue A. Furniture, antiques, household items, electric motors, bicycles & lawnmowers. 37180

2. FARM EQUIPMENT

For Sale! 4 Rancher Pride self feeders, 4 round bale feeders on wheels, 1 portable loading chute, 1 two horse open toprailer, 1 - 5 bale hauler. Call 364-2937. 37028

Triticale Seed for Sale! Clean and bulk. Call 357-2364. 37154

3. VEHICLES FOR SALE

1981 Chevrolet Suburban. Make best offer! Good working vehicle. Call 364-5831. 37167

For Sale: 1993 Ford EXCEL with lift. 22,000 miles, air bags. Call (806) 364-8608. 36949

1964 CHEVROLET PICK-UP. Classic. Asking \$600. Can be seen in Hereford. Call 806-353-2008. 37096

ONE OWNER! 1995 Buick Regal Custom, 4-door. Solid red w/gray interior. Loaded w/new tires. 73,000 miles. \$9,875. Call 364-7713. 37102

FOR SALE! 1977 Chevrolet 7-passenger van, 3/4 ton. \$1,200. Call 364-3102. Leave message. 37108

1986 GMC PICKUP, 4-wheel drive. Good condition. \$2,750. Call 364-3402. 37120

1992 HONDA CIVIC 4-door sedan. Loaded, excellent condition. \$3,500. Will trade. Call 364-3112 or come by 506 Avenue I. 37127

1993 FORD F-150 4X4 PICKUP. Automatic transmission, power and air. 64,000 miles. \$9,500. Call 364-5085. 37128

1981 Chrysler LeBaron, only 53,000 miles, 318 engine. 1984 Olds Toronado, one owner, garage kept. Call 655-4417 in Canyon. 37164

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Marcum Motors Co.
Clean Used Cars & Trucks
413 N. 25 Mile Ave. - 364-3565

4. REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 216 Northwest Drive, 4 large bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage. \$95,000.00. Completely remodeled, new carpet, hardwood floors, tile & paint. Trade-ins or owner financed. Call Robbie at 364-3955. 36985

FOR SALE: 3 BR, 2 bath, fireplace, whirlpool. 2800 sq. ft. Very nice neighborhood. Call 364-4457. 37044

FOR SALE OR RENT Property west side of Pizza Hut on Hwy. 60. Price negotiable. Owner will carry. 806-622-2411 or 374-9671 37070

For Sale by Owner. 2 Bedroom house at 336 Avenue H. Call 364-6759. 37134

Great home for sale! 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Swimming pool! Lots of new improvements! Call us at 364-6540 for appointment. 37141

1995 Mobile Home! \$5000 down or best offer and take over payments of \$285/month. Land paid for. Call 364-0375. 37153

5. HOMES FOR RENT

Nice, large, unfurnished apartments. Refrigerated air, two bedrooms. You pay only electric--we pay the rest. \$335.00 month. 364-8421. 1320

Eldorado Arms Apts, 1 & 2 bedroom unfurnished, apts. refrigerated air, laundry, free cable, water, & gas. 364-2302 of 364-4332. 18873

Need extra storage space? Need a place to have a garage sale? Rent a mini-storage. Two sizes available. Call 364-4370. 35526

For Rent: Alonzo's Apartments - formerly Buena Vista. No deposit. Please call 364-2085 (Day) or 364-8805 (Evenings). 36176

Paloma Lane Apartments-- 2 bd's available. \$170.00 deposit. Applications required. Stove furnished. Call 364-1255 M-F. EHO. 36606

Furnished apartment for rent. All bills paid. \$275.00 a month. Call 364-4912. 36809

For Rent: 2 BR, 1 Bath, no pets. 605 W. 3rd. \$325.00 month plus deposit. Call after 6 P.M., 364-2486. 37013

DUPLEX FOR RENT at 2703-B Duncan in Amarillo. 1 bedroom, fenced yard, water paid. \$250 deposit. \$350 rent/month. Call 806-352-9300 or 353-2008. 37097

3 BR mobile home, stove, fridge, fenced yard. Call 364-4370. 37112

FOR RENT 1 bedroom, 1 bath house. Washer-Dryer hookup. Fenced yard (front and back). 839 Brevard. \$350.00 a month rent. \$175.00 deposit. Call 364-2613 after 6:00 PM. 37118

3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. \$300.00/month plus \$150.00 deposit. Will sell for \$6,000.00 cash. Call for appointment 364-1108 or 364-5646. 37119

FOR RENT! Big beautiful brick home! 430 Hickory. \$650.00/month. Lease for 9 months to 1 year. Call 364-4670. 37143

For Rent! 3 BR, 1-1/2 Bath house. Aspen Street. Call 364-6158. 37161

2 BR unfurnished house with basement, fenced yard, near schools. Deposit and references required. Call 364-1854. 37165

847 Irving. House for Rent: 3 BR, 1-1/2 Bath. \$400/month plus \$200 deposit. Call 364-5299. 37171

2 BR, 1 Bath Duplex for Rent! 1 car garage. Very Nice. Deposit required. No pets. Call 267-2602. 37173

For Rent! Large 3 BR, 2 Bath, 2 car garage w/garage door openers, fenced yard, extra nice. Deposit and references required. No inside pets. Call 364-2717 and leave message. 37179

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Cottonwood Town Homes
1, 2, & 3 bedroom,
Newly remodeled.
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APARTMENTS:
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HEAT, A/C } INCLUDED
LIGHTS }
Rent based on income. Accepting applications for 1, 2, 3, 4 bdrms. CALL Debra or Janie TODAY for information & directions. 12-5pm (806)364-6661. Equal Opportunity.

6. WANTED

Experienced House Cleaner needs houses to clean. I do have references. Prefer steady work to clean your house every week. \$7.00 an hour. Call 364-1976. 37147

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitations or discrimination. State laws forbid discrimination in the sale, rental or advertising of real estate based advertising for real estate which is violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwelling advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

Writing Want Ads that really sell!

Unsure how to write a Classified Ad that will get results? Follow these pointers and you'll soon have an empty space in your storage room and cash in your pocket.

For starters, look at ads which offer the same item/products. Get a sense of going rates and ideas for how to make your ad stand out. Once you're ready to write, begin with exactly what you're selling: "Dining room set, maple, six chairs." Then, remember these hints:

- Give the price. A newspaper consultant says 70 percent of classified readers won't respond to an ad with no price.
- Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition.
- Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.
- Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to include a phone number and the best times to reach you.

Classifieds GET RESULTS

"We Reach Thousands Everyday"

The Hereford Brand 364-2030

8. HELP WANTED

RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGIST. Friona, Texas. Perform & assist Fluorographic Studies, consisting of Barium Enema, Upper GI's, Cystograms, conduct IVP's, retrograde Pyelography, Venogram, as well as routine Radiographic Imaging & operating portable x-ray machine. Perform ultrasound procedures such as abdominal, gall bladder, pelvic, transvaginal & thyroid. Conduct holter monitor & EKG's for cardiac procedure. Supervise 2 employees. Associate degree in Radiologic Technology. 1 yr. experience in job & 1 year experience as Staff Radiology Technologist. 40 hrs/wk. 9AM-5PM. \$22,700/year. Apply at the Texas Workforce Commission, Hereford, Texas, or send resume to 1117 Trinity, Room 424T, Austin, Texas 78701. JO#TX0480731. AD paid by an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Deaf Smith County Youth Home will be accepting applications for the position of **Part-time Child Care Worker.** Child Care Workers shall be of good moral character and emotionally suited for working with children. A Child Care Worker must be 21 years of age and have either a high school diploma or a general equivalency diploma. Preference in employment will be given to those best qualified by education and training in child care work. Also, preference will be given to those with bachelor degrees conferred by colleges and universities accredited by an organization recognized by the coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System.

No person will be discriminated against on the basis of age, sex, race, religion, national origin, or handicap.

Applications may be picked up at the Deaf Smith County Treasurer's Office, Deaf Smith County Courthouse, Room 206.

Applications will be accepted from August 28, 1998 through September 4, 1998 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

BJM SALES & SERVICE is seeking qualified applicants for full-time shop personnel. A general knowledge welding test will be given. Employee must provide personal hand tools. BJM offers competitive wages & benefits. Apply in person at BJM Sales & Service Co., East Hwy. 60, Hereford, Texas.

CNA with current Certificate wanted. Good benefit package and competitive wages. Contact King's Manor Methodist Retirement Center, 400 Ranger Drive, M-F, 8 to 5. 36155

WE OVER-PAY OUR PEOPLE! Our company pays some the highest incomes per working hour. Call 1-888-528-6527. 36262

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We are accepting applications for entry level sales associates. We are looking for persons who are energetic, dependable, ambitious, have outgoing personalities and have personal integrity. Must have an ability to work in a fast paced work environment and know what it means to give outstanding customer service.

FLEXIBLE SHIFTS AVAILABLE THAT WILL WORK WITH COLLEGE STUDENT SCHEDULES.

We offer an excellent variety of benefits including health-life-dental insurance, prescription drug card, paid sick-leave, paid vacations, retirement plan, employee stock option, credit union, and COLLEGE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM.

Career opportunities available for highly motivated/qualified persons.

Drug Testing Required. EOE.

Front office personnel needed for full-time or part-time help. Will train. Work hours 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Send resume to P.O. Box 673-PV, Hereford, Texas 79045. 36607

RN & LVN positions for King's Manor Methodist. Excellent benefit package. Apply at 400 Ranger Drive in person!! 36979

AVON needs representative for Christmas selling season. Call 364-0899. Independent Sales Representative. 37035

WELDERS NEEDED. Apply in person. Allied Millwrights, Inc., Holly Sugar Road. 37084

GOLDEN PLAINS CARE CENTER is looking for dependable and caring L.V.N.s, C.N.A.s and weekend RN. Please apply in person at 420 Ranger. Ask for Minnie Roddy. 37103

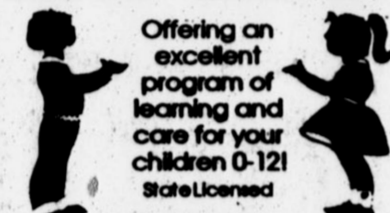
Scott Oil Change is accepting applications for lube & oil tech. No experience required, but preferred. Apply in person at Scott Oil Change, 413 S. 25 Mile Ave., Hereford. 37146

Penriders needed at Hartley Feeders. Call 806-365-4666 or call Don Clayton at 806-365-4473. 37151

Part-time Security Officer position available in Hereford area. Call 383-8800 for more information. 37177

9. CHILD CARE

HEREFORD DAY CARE



Offering an excellent program of learning and care for your children 0-12! State Licensed

Also - SPECIAL AFTER-HOURS pick-up for Kindergarten Children!

364-5062

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Domestic Violence or Sexual Assault
Call 363-6727

Hereford
RIGHT OF LIFE
"Alternative to Abortion"
24-Hour Hot-Line 364-2027
"PRECIOUS FEET"
unborn baby's feet at 10 weeks.

Educational program, materials, emotional support for those suffering from unplanned pregnancy, post abortion trauma, miscarriage/still birth.
For more information contact Alice Hund at 364-3218, Krista Detten at 364-7563 or Kim Leonard at 364-8760.

11. BUSINESS SERVICES

Defensive Driving Course is now being offered nights and Saturdays. Will include ticket dismissal and insurance discount. For more information, call 289-5851. #CO023-CO733, McKibben ADS. 700

We buy scrap iron, metal, aluminum cans, all batteries, tin, copper & brass. 364-3350. 970

Garage Door and Opener Repair & Replacement. Call Robert Betzen, 289-5500. If no answer call mobile, 344-2960. 14237

We buy cars & pickups running or not running. We sell used auto parts of all kinds. 364-2754. 27574

Tree & shrub trimming & removal. Leaf raking & assorted lawn work, rotary tilling & seeding of new lawns. 364-3356. 31572

Composition Roofing. Call Eldon Fortenberry, 364-6405. 36298

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13. LOST & FOUND

FOUND! Male Dalmation with red collar. Come by 207 Avenue C between 8:00 p.m. til 10:00 p.m. 37158

LEGAL NOTICES

The Commissioner's Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas will open bids at 9:00 a.m. on September 14, 1998 for an automobile for the Sheriff's Department. Specifications may be obtained from the Sheriff. The Commissioners reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.

LEGAL PROPOSAL NOTICE

The Board of Trustees of the Hereford Independent School District will receive sealed proposals on:

2-1999-15 PASSENGER VANS

Sealed Proposals marked:

2 - 1999 - 15 PASSENGER VANS

are to be submitted to:

Terry Russell
Assistant Superintendent
for
Support Services
Hereford Independent School District
601 N. 25 Mile Avenue
Hereford, Texas 79045

Proposals will be received at the above address until 10:00 a.m. local time, September 11, 1998 at which time they will be publicly opened but not read (per Texas Education Agency section 3.2.3.2. Sealed bid Proposals). Negotiations with each bidder will be scheduled on an as need basis.

PROVIDERS ENVELOPE SHOULD BE PLAINLY MARKED IN THE LOWER LEFT CORNER.

2 - 1999 - 15 Passenger Vans
Proposal Opening: September 11, 1998
10:00 a.m.

The District through its duly authorized constituted officials, reserves the right to reject any, part of any or all proposals, to accept any proposal deemed most advantageous to the Hereford I.S.D. and to waive any informalities in bidding.

For a copy of the proposal specification, please contact Terry Russell, Assistant Superintendent, for Support Services, Hereford Independent School District, Hereford, Texas.

VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE



The YMCA Co-Ed Volleyball League will begin on Monday, September 14th. **SIGN-UP DEADLINE IS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH.** The length of the league will be for 8 games plus double elimination tournament at the end. Depending on the number of teams entered, divisions may be combined (with a minimum of four teams needed to form a division).

You may play on only one Co-Ed team. There will be two divisions offered: Co-Ed A - Modified Power Rules and Co-Ed B - Recreational Rules. All games will be played at the YMCA. Game days will be Monday and Tuesday nights depending on the number of teams entered. Games will start at 7:15 pm. Let us know if you need to play on a certain day, we will try to be flexible.

Entry fee is \$102.00 per team. The roster must be final by September 24th. Entry fee should be turned in with roster. Everyone on team rosters must be full paid participants. T-shirts will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place winners in each division.

You may pick up a roster form at the YMCA office, or for more information call

364-6990

Hereford YMCA GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

YMCA Volleyball is safe! It is an indoor game with very little equipment needed. We feel volleyball for girls will offer them a chance to get ahead by learning the fundamentals of volleyball, sportsmanship and team play. Volleyball is fun and exciting and can provide enjoyment throughout a lifetime. Remember, it's more fun to play than watch.

THE LEAGUE: There will be two divisions: K-5 thru 3rd grade and 4th thru 6th grade. The teams will be drawn at the YMCA office. PLEASE DO NOT REQUEST PLAYERS TO BE ON CERTAIN TEAMS. Players may elect to play up an age division.

DATES: FINAL DAY TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 10TH! Games will be played on Saturday mornings. First games start Saturday, September 19th. Practice will begin on September 14th. (Coaches will be notified of location and time).

LEAGUE FEE: Fee will be \$20.00 plus a YMCA membership. All participants must be YMCA members. YMCA memberships are \$29.00 per year for youths, (partial memberships are available). Entry fee for additional children in the same family will be \$15.00.

EQUIPMENT: Girls will have to supply their own shoes and knee pads (optional). Only tennis shoes will be permitted for play and practice.

Volunteers are needed to help coach and referee. If you are interested please fill out a form that can be picked up at the YMCA office. Scholarships are available for those who need assistance. You may pick up a registration form for your child at the Y-office or call 364-6990. Parents are welcome to all games. Help coach a team, be an assistant coach, help referee or just come out to cheer your favorite team!

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

8-27 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Y P I N V W N R R U Y . — T I I S C Y Q Q K A
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: WHEN THE SPARROW HAS SAID "PEEP!" IT THINKS IT HAS SAID EVERYTHING THERE IS TO SAY.—RENARD

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Prices effective: Wednesday, August 26, 1998

CATTLE FUTURES

Month	Price	Change	High	Low	Settle
Aug	42.15	0.25	42.40	41.90	42.15
Sep	41.75	0.10	42.00	41.50	41.75
Oct	41.35	0.05	41.60	41.10	41.35
Nov	40.95	0.00	41.20	40.70	40.95
Dec	40.55	-0.05	40.80	40.30	40.55
Jan	40.15	-0.10	40.40	39.90	40.15
Feb	39.75	-0.15	40.00	39.50	39.75
Mar	39.35	-0.20	39.60	39.10	39.35
Apr	38.95	-0.25	39.20	38.70	38.95
May	38.55	-0.30	38.80	38.30	38.55
Jun	38.15	-0.35	38.40	37.90	38.15
Jul	37.75	-0.40	38.00	37.50	37.75
Aug	37.35	-0.45	37.60	37.10	37.35

GRAIN FUTURES

Month	Price	Change	High	Low	Settle
Aug	2.15	0.02	2.17	2.13	2.15
Sep	2.10	0.01	2.12	2.08	2.10
Oct	2.05	0.00	2.07	2.03	2.05
Nov	2.00	-0.01	2.02	1.99	2.00
Dec	1.95	-0.02	1.97	1.93	1.95
Jan	1.90	-0.03	1.92	1.87	1.90
Feb	1.85	-0.04	1.87	1.83	1.85
Mar	1.80	-0.05	1.82	1.77	1.80
Apr	1.75	-0.06	1.77	1.73	1.75
May	1.70	-0.07	1.72	1.67	1.70
Jun	1.65	-0.08	1.67	1.63	1.65
Jul	1.60	-0.09	1.62	1.57	1.60
Aug	1.55	-0.10	1.57	1.53	1.55

METAL FUTURES

Month	Price	Change	High	Low	Settle
Aug	1.15	0.01	1.16	1.14	1.15
Sep	1.10	0.00	1.11	1.09	1.10
Oct	1.05	-0.01	1.06	1.04	1.05
Nov	1.00	-0.02	1.01	0.99	1.00
Dec	0.95	-0.03	0.96	0.94	0.95
Jan	0.90	-0.04	0.91	0.89	0.90
Feb	0.85	-0.05	0.86	0.84	0.85
Mar	0.80	-0.06	0.81	0.79	0.80
Apr	0.75	-0.07	0.76	0.74	0.75
May	0.70	-0.08	0.71	0.69	0.70
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Dec	0.95	-0.03	0.96	0.94	0.95
Jan	0.90	-0.04	0.91	0.89	0.90
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Eyes are on Gore on road

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Vice President Al Gore met a warm but somewhat ambivalent crowd as he returned from his Hawaiian vacation to a new examination of his fund-raising calls and uncertainty over the President Clinton-Monica Lewinsky scandal.

While attending a \$250,000 fund-raiser Wednesday night for former employee Michela Alioto, who is running for California secretary of state, Gore carefully stuck to earlier statements about the president and was kept away from reporters.

Gore made no specific mention of Clinton's admission that he had an inappropriate relationship with Ms. Lewinsky when she was a 22-year-old White House intern, but he reiterated his support of the president.

"I'm proud of the leadership that President Bill Clinton has brought to the United States of America," Gore said, echoing a written statement issued from Hawaii after Clinton's speech.

"I am honored to serve with him and call him a friend," Gore said. "Now is the time to keep moving forward."

Gore also has to worry about questions concerning his role in campaign fund raising for the 1996 elections. Attorney General Janet Reno on Wednesday opened a 90-day preliminary investigation to determine whether an independent counsel should conduct a full probe of the telephone calls Gore made to solicit contributions.

The vice president said nothing about the investigation while stumping for Alioto, who worked on his domestic policy team from 1992-95.

Some Alioto supporters were skittish and declined to talk about Gore's fund-raising troubles and how the Lewinsky scandal would affect his aspirations for the presidency. Those who would comment had mixed feelings.

"I don't think he's hurt by any of this," said U.S. Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif. "The American people are very good at making distinctions. They make distinctions between the president and the vice president."

Others disagreed. "He definitely has an uphill battle for the race for president," said Charles Seymour, 31, of Sausalito, just north of the city. "It will be difficult for a lot of Democrats in light of Lewinsky. ... It's going to hang over their heads for a very long time."

Marion Goodman, president of the National Women's Political Caucus of California, said the scandals could limit voter turnout in November, especially among women. Both the Clinton administration and U.S. Sen. Barbara Boxer, who is in a very close race with Republican challenger Matt Fong, have enjoyed strong support from women.

Pollster Andrew Kohut of the Pew Research Center said Gore's approval ratings are not as strong as Clinton's but do not appear to have been damaged by the Lewinsky investigation. The greater concern, Kohut said, are the campaign finance questions.

"Evaluations of him are not as good as they once were, prior to becoming mixed up in the public's mind with questions about fund-raising practices," Kohut said. "But his evaluations haven't gone through the floor as a consequence of the president's difficulties."



Photo by Don Cooper

Making repairs

One good thing about the drought affecting the Hereford area - road crews haven't been losing any days while making repairs. This crew spent Tuesday repairing the surface of the street in front of St. Anthony's School.

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News in brief

Company admits illegal donations to Bush, Dole

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - An agricultural company was fined \$480,000 for making illegal contributions to President Bush in 1992 and Sen. Bob Dole in 1993.

Sun-Land Products of California, a dried fruits and nuts supplier based in Pleasanton, pleaded guilty Wednesday. The company admitted it gave \$37,000 through its directors to Bush's re-election campaign and Dole's political action committee, prosecutors said.

Corporate contributions to federal candidates are illegal.

Sun-Land is a subsidiary of Sun-Diamond Growers of California, an agricultural cooperative that has been convicted in a separate case of making illegal campaign contributions to the brother of former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy.

California eyes diesel exhaust as toxic pollutant

LOS ANGELES (AP) - With diesel engines responsible for more than half of the harmful exhaust spewing into California's air, it would make sense to consider regulating their output.

But the cost could, literally, be high - reflected in the prices consumers pay for milk, computers, produce and anything else transported by diesel-powered trucks and trains.

The California Air Resources Board was to meet today to review a staff study that claims diesel exhaust is harmful to the public.

If declared toxic, it is unlikely diesel would be banned. But a series of regulations could be implemented to reformulate the fuel. Or the transportation industry could be encouraged to switch to cleaner burning engines and more expensive alternative fuels, board spokesman Jerry Martin said.

Reno orders inquiry into Gore's actions

WASHINGTON (AP) - Attorney General Janet Reno is ordering another look at Vice President Al Gore's telephone calls soliciting campaign contributions to see whether an independent counsel should be named, officials say.

On Wednesday, Reno authorized a second 90-day preliminary investigation by her campaign finance task force into the 45 telephone calls Gore made from his office in the fall of 1995 and spring of 1996.

Last December, she closed a similar 90-day probe of Gore's calls, saying there wasn't evidence to warrant an independent counsel investigation. Justice officials say that unless new evidence emerges during this 90-day probe, Reno is likely to again reject an independent counsel investigation of these calls.

As required by the independent counsel law, Reno relayed her decision to a three-judge court that picks counsels, but the court did not immediately authorize her to publicly announce it, according to officials who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Special interests pour money into leaders' coffers

WASHINGTON (AP) - While lawmakers considered whether to impose new rules on health maintenance organizations, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott raised almost \$100,000 from health care-related groups.

Most of the money didn't go to Lott's re-election campaign - he won't run again until 2000.

Instead, \$92,500 of the \$99,500 he raised from health-related political action committees between April and June went to his own PAC, the New Republican Majority Fund, which the Mississippi senator uses to aid other Republican candidates, and thereby

to help ensure he remains majority leader.

"It's self-evident in the name of the PAC," said Lott spokesman John Czwartacki.

The top four Republicans in both the House and Senate each runs a leadership committee, which gives special interest groups another way to give to lawmakers who control the congressional agenda. Special interest committees are limited to giving \$10,000 to a lawmaker's campaign, but they can give another \$10,000 to the same lawmaker's leadership committee.

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strongly suggest that a formidable winter is in store for us, with colder and snowier conditions than normal," he predicts in the almanac.

The almanac predicts snow in the Northeast right after Election Day, a blockbuster winter storm for central and eastern states between Christmas and New Year's, late-arriving spring weather and a muggy summer.

The 182-year-old almanac's forecasts are prepared using a secret formula based on sunspots, position of planets and tidal action caused by the moon.

Geiger says that beyond El Nino - the cyclical warming of eastern Pacific Ocean waters that can cause significant changes in worldwide weather patterns - other weather-altering forces may be waiting in the wings.

Among them, a La Nina effect - the reverse of El Nino - could bring sunny, dry weather to the West and frigid, snowy conditions to the East and Central regions.

The National Weather Service maintains no one can predict the weather a year in advance with any degree of accuracy.

The almanac claims its weather predictions are 80 to 85 percent accurate - even though they're prepared two years in advance.

Brides-to-be are known to consult the almanac when planning their big day, and Geiger says most are pleased at the outcome.

The most irate complaint was not from a rained-out wedding party but from a man in Saskatchewan who, based on a favorable forecast in the almanac, decided to take the summer off to build a house.

"It rained for much of the summer," Geiger recalled. "He was upset, but I was able to talk to him and smooth it over."

The Farmer's Almanac, not to be confused with the New Hampshire-based Old Farmer's Almanac which is 24 years its senior.

It even has do-it-yourself advice for predicting the weather by cutting open a persimmon.

According to folklore, if the fruit's seed is spoon-shaped, look for a harsh winter with heavy, wet snow; if it's fork-shaped, expect a mild winter with light, powdery snow; and knife-shaped means an icy winter with cutting wind.

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Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF DEAF SMITH COUNTY, TX conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the DEAF SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS

by 5.36 percent on AUGUST 27, 1998

The COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DEAF SMITH COUNTY, TX is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on AUGUST 31, 1998 at 9:AM IN THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT ROOM, COURTHOUSE

Hereford YMCA GYMNASTICS

YMCA Gymnastics teaches your child the basics including: gymnastics, balance beam, trampoline, uneven bars, parallel bars and tumbling. Class days will be on Thursdays, with a monthly fee of \$30.00 for non Y-members or \$25 for Y-members. DEADLINE FOR ENROLLMENT IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH.

Classes Start Thursday, September 10th, 1998.

There will be 4 classes offered. 3 to 5 year olds - 2:45 to 3:45, Beginners - 3:45 to 4:45, Beginners/Intermediate 4:45 to 5:45, and Advanced (Instructor approved) - 5:45 to 6:45. (Minimum of 5 per class or classes may be combined).

Angela Trull will be the instructor.

She has 11 years experience at AC, is USAG safety certified, she's also taught at Delight's Dance Studio, is an EMT Basic, competed for one year at AC, and went to North State Championship.

Come and join the fun! Please call 364-6990 or come by the YMCA at 500 E. 15th Street.