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## ... but the night belonged to Carolyn WATERS



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Chris Leonard (top, left), president of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce, presents a plaque of appreciation to outgoing president Sid Shaw. Kim Leonard (above, left), president of the Women's Division, presents a bouquet to Shannon Redwine, 1998 Woman of the Year. Carolyn Waters (at left), recipient of the 1998 Citizen of the Year Award, shows off the plaque which was presented to her by Hereford Lions Club President Stan Fry Jr. The Citizen of the Year Award was the highlight of the annual Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce banquet.

### PRICEY DRUGS

Insured patients feeling the bite of soaring drug prices

By Lauran Neergaard  
The Associated Press

Patients and insurance companies are facing sticker shock as the nation's bill for prescription drugs rapidly jumps — one new arthritis medicine just debuted with a \$12,000-a-year price tag.

Double-digit increases in drug spending are hitting even those with insurance, as managed-care companies hunt ways to offset pricey prescriptions. One new trend: Patients who pay \$5 for a generic drug and \$10 for an older brand name are about to be charged \$25, \$30, even \$50 if they want the newest, costliest drugs.

Drugs are a hot issue for Congress, where lawmakers are struggling to find ways for the elderly dependent on Medicare, which does not pay for drugs, to get proper care.

Spending for prescription drugs has passed \$80 billion annually, increasing by 11 percent to 14 percent every year since 1995.

Why it is happening is complex:

—For some drugs, it is the genetics revolution. New therapies significantly are helping patients, and biotechnology is expected to produce up to half of new drugs in coming years. But genetically engineering drugs or growing them from living organisms takes more time, money and expertise than old-fashioned drugs.

—Increased consumer use is fueling spending. Managed care actually gave more patients access to drugs, which are cheaper than surgery or hospitalization.

Plus, insurers complain that drug makers' \$1.3 billion in flashy advertising is prompting unprecedented consumer demand for new brands that often work no better than older, cheaper drugs.

—For other drugs, consumer advocates cry price-gouging. Rep. Tom Allen, D-Maine, found that uninsured senior citizens pay over twice as much for prescriptions than "bulk buyers" such as the Veterans' Administration or HMOs — or even Canadians. Indeed, seniors in Maine and Minnesota regularly travel to Canada by the busload to fill prescriptions.

## Retired educator honored as Citizen of the Year

By Don Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Tumbleweed Smith may have had top billing, but it was Carolyn Waters' night.

Waters, who retired last spring after more than three decades as a teacher in the Hereford Independent School District, was recognized Thursday night as the Hereford Lions Club's Citizen of the Year for 1998.

The honor for Waters was the final event of the annual Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce awards banquet, which drew about 500 people to the banquet hall of the HISD administration building.

"For the first time in my life, I'm speechless," Waters said when she received the Citizen of the Year plaque from Lions Club President Stan Fry Jr. "For the community to do this for me, I appreciate it so very much."

Waters grew up in Denton County, graduating from Krum High School. She started college at North Texas State (now the University of North Texas) in

**'For the first time in my life, I'm speechless. For the community to do this for me, I appreciate it so very much.'**  
Carolyn Waters

Denton, where she majored in elementary education with minors in social studies and English.

At 19, she started her teaching career, teaching third grade at Happy.

In 1956, she and her late husband, Don, moved to Hereford and she went back to school to complete work on her degree.

After earning her degree, Waters began full-time teaching in 1964. In 1975, she moved to Stanton Junior High, where she taught English for two years before she worked into a position teaching Texas, American and world history.

She also began writing columns on school activities for *The Hereford Brand*, an extracurricular activity that would garner her four Texas



BRAND/Mauri Montgomery  
Texas radio humorist Tumbleweed Smith shows off his Texas sunglasses at the annual chamber banquet.

State Teachers Association School Bell awards.

In 1992, Waters spearheaded the organization of the Junior Historians at

Hereford Junior High School. The organization seeks to provide students who are interested in history with hands-on experience through

a variety of field trips, including a road trip along the Texas segment of historic Route 66.

Under her guidance the Junior Historians began visiting patients in the Veterans Administration hospital in Amarillo, both cheering up the hospitalized veterans and learning of their military experiences.

The keynote speaker at the banquet was Texas radio humorist Tumbleweed Smith, who mixed humorous cuts from his radio show with his own observations about Texas and things Texan.

Smith is the host of the syndicated program, "Sounds of Texas," which has been broadcast since August 1969. In Hereford, the show, which features interviews with Texans of all walks of life, is broadcast on KNNK Radio.

In opening his remarks, Smith observed that humans go through three stages of life: "Youth, Middle and 'Gee, you're looking good.'"

"There probably is a fourth stage," Smith cracked, "and

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## Good day for Bush

Texas Senate gives unanimous approval to series of bills backed by governor

AUSTIN (AP) — It was a good day for Gov. George W. Bush.

The Texas Senate unanimously approved a Bush-backed bill Thursday to attack social promotion, in which youngsters are advanced from grade to grade without the necessary academic skills.

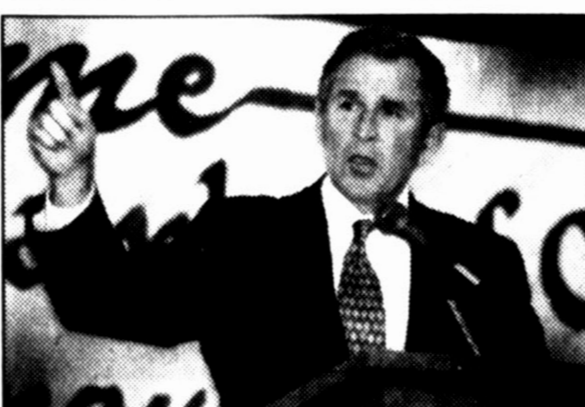
Earlier in the day, Senate budget-writers voted 11-0 to give a tax break to small businesses — a bill that's part of the Republican governor's tax cut package.

Bush strode into the Senate

chamber after the 31-0 bipartisan vote for the bill to require future students to pass the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills in the third, fifth and eighth grades to be promoted — unless their parents successfully appeal.

The effort to ensure students who need extra help are identified and get it before moving on was pushed by Bush on the campaign trail.

His proposal since has been revised, with his support, in part to include the appeal process for students who repeat-



Gov. George W. Bush

edly fail the TAAS.

"This is a good day for Texas. It sends this bill over to the House with good, strong momentum," Bush said.

If finally approved, the bill only would remain in force if it received sufficient state funding.

## New Mexico lawmakers urge Bush to make run

AUSTIN — Another day, another call for Gov. George W. Bush to run for the White House in 2000.

On Thursday, Bush heard from a group of state lawmakers from New Mexico and a number of former U.S. ambassadors.

Both groups sent Bush letters encouraging him to run for the sake of duty, patriotism and the Republican Party.

"Millions throughout the world observe our chief of state and we believe your character and reputation are especially appealing," former U.S. ambassador to the Vatican Thomas Melady wrote.

In a phone interview, Melady said his call was supported by 35 former ambassadors and senior foreign service officials.

According to Melady, who also was an ambassador to Uganda and Burundi, gathering signatures from former ambassadors to Europe, Af-

rica, Asia and North and South America "was the easiest thing I ever did."

Melady, who held the Vatican post from 1989-93, was appointed by Bush's father, former President Bush.

Meanwhile, 36 Republican state lawmakers from New Mexico sent Bush a similar letter.

"America needs an experienced leader who has compassionate conservative values and a winning candidacy that will reach out to all," said the letter signed by 12 state senators and 24 representatives.

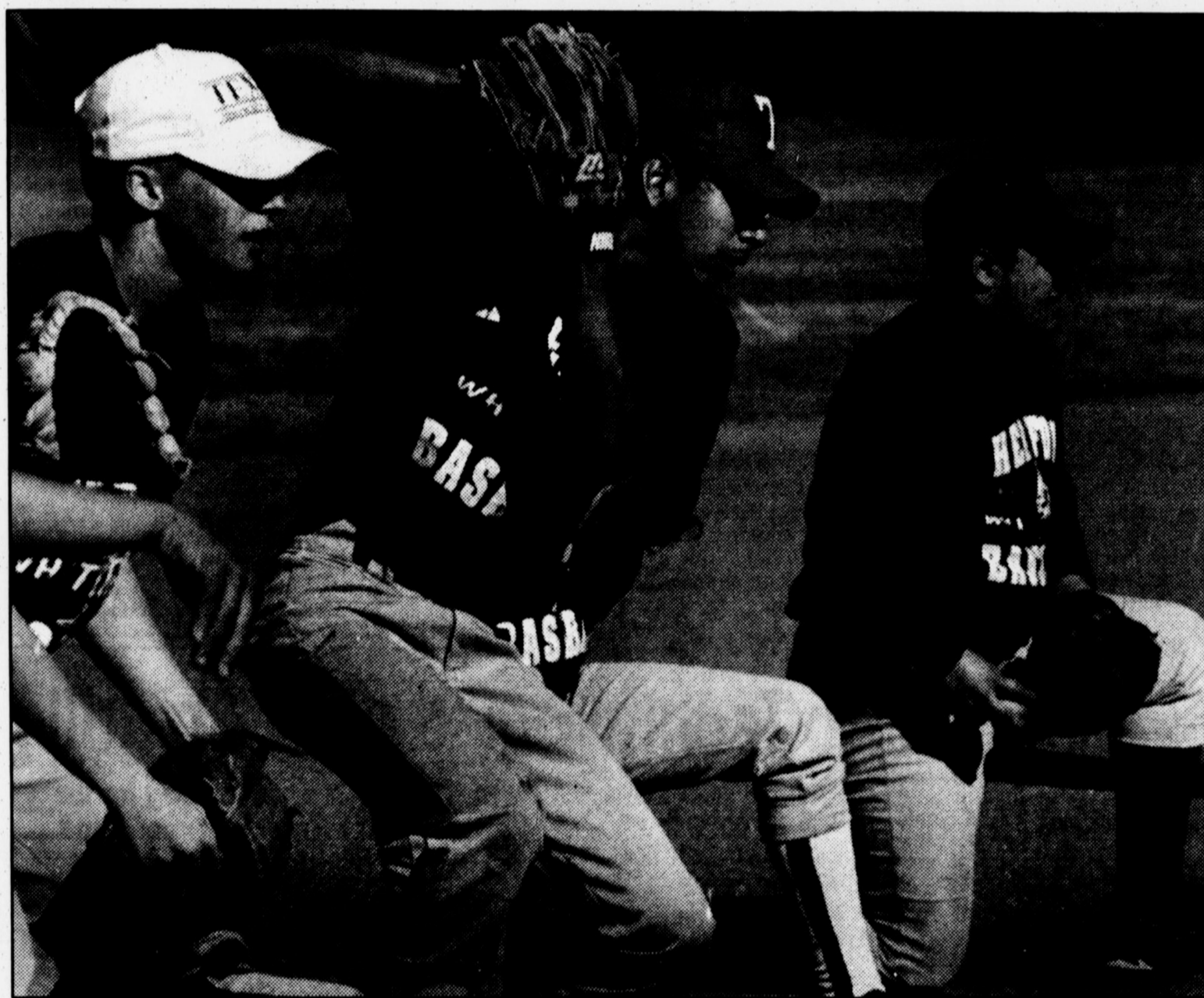
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# SPORTS

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## THE BOYS OF SPRING



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**Working on ground balls** — Hereford Whiteface baseball players were warming up their game Thursday in preparation for the team's third scrimmage of the season Saturday with the Levelland Lobos. The Whitefaces will host Levelland at Whiteface Field in a season opener Feb. 26 at 4 p.m.

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Canyon vs. Plainview

## Yankees get Clemens

Trade David Wells and two more pinstripers to make the deal work

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Roger Clemens always thought he'd look good in pinstripes. He just couldn't bring himself to wear them when he got his first chance.

Two seasons after rejecting George Steinbrenner's plea to sign with the New York Yankees as a free agent, Rocket is getting another opportunity to play for the Boss.

New York traded for the

five-time Cy Young Award winner and said goodbye Thursday to David Wells and two other players from the team that won 125 games and the World Series last year.

While the Yankees weren't eager to tinker with success, Clemens is considered well worth the risk after leading the AL in wins, ERA and strikeouts the past two seasons with the Toronto Blue Jays.

"He said, 'I finally got you,'" the 36-year-old right-hander said, relating a telephone conversation he had with Steinbrenner after the deal was finalized.

"I feel real fortunate that they had a championship team

and still had an interest in me," Clemens said. "I feel pretty fortunate to get a second chance."

As for Wells, he left the Yankees' first day of spring training in tears after speaking with Steinbrenner and manager Joe Torre.

"I'm a little emotional right now," Wells said. "Give me a couple days. It's a little tough right now."

New York and Toronto actually completed the deal late Wednesday night, but delayed the announcement to tell Wells in person.

"He took it like a real man. He took it better than I took

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# Rockets edge Nets 93-92 in OT

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — When it comes to game-deciding calls, even NBA officials seem to disagree.

Case in point, the Houston Rockets' 93-92 overtime victory over the New Jersey Nets on Thursday night.

Scottie Pippen provided the margin of victory, hitting one of two free throws with 3.3 seconds to play after official Marc Davis called Scott Burrell for a tripping foul near midcourt.

Not only was it a tough call for the Nets, it came just three seconds after official Scott Foster nullified a basket by New Jersey center Jayson Williams for offensive interference, ruling that Kerry Kittles' shot was still in the

cylinder.

What made the two calls even tougher was a non-call by Foster in the closing seconds of regulation after Hakeem Olajuwon hit a jumper from the top of the key to tie the game at 85 with 4.4 seconds left.

After a Nets timeout, Kendall Gill inbounded the ball at halfcourt to Kittles. Rockets rookie Michael Dickerson gave Kittles a little shove as he caught the ball, knocking him off balance and

forcing a desperation pass to the top of the key to Keith Van Horn.

His shot was partially blocked by Pippen, forcing the overtime.

As soon as horn sounded, Nets coach John Calipari jumped up and down and questioned Foster for not making a call.

Foster seemed to tell Calipari that he wasn't going to make a call like that to decide a game.

However, Davis did just

that five minutes later when Burrell and Pippen, Chicago Bulls teammates last season, got tangled as Olajuwon threw a pass.

Pippen, who had his best scoring night with the Rockets with 26 points, said the young official made the correct call.

"I was definitely tripped," said Pippen, who was 10-of-21 from the field in eclipsing his previous high of 24 this season. "But I was a little surprised I got the call because I

didn't get a lot of calls I thought I deserved."

Burrell said the call was ridiculous.

"To make a call like that with the game tied, on a backcut and I deny him and he trips, you can't," Burrell said.

After a New Jersey timeout, Keith Van Horn missed a 3-point shot at the buzzer.

Neither Calipari nor Williams were interested in picking up a fine.

"I'm not going to go back into what the calls are," Williams said. "It should not have been that close. We were up 13 and should have put them away."

Olajuwon had 21 points and a season-high 15 rebounds for the Rockets, who were playing their third game in as many nights. Dickerson added

14 points and Othella Harrington had 12 for the Rockets, who outrebounded the Nets 57-39.

Gill led the Nets with 24 points before fouling out with 1:55 left in overtime. Two nights after scoring a career-high 35 points, Van Horn had 18 on 7-for-19 shooting. Kittles added 17 points, and Williams had 12 points and 11 rebounds.

The Rockets, who were leading the league in field goal and 3-point shooting, struggled in both areas. They were 36-for-94 for 38 percent from the field and 2-of-16 from 3-point range.

In other NBA games, it was Cleveland 98, New York 74; Washington 95, Toronto 88; Utah 97, Denver 86; and Indiana 99, Philadelphia 95.

## Yankees

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it," Steinbrenner said.

"Boomer," as the 35-year-old left-hander is known throughout the Bronx and beyond, has been the toast of New York since pitching a perfect game against Minnesota at Yankee Stadium on May 17. He's coming off the best season of his career, 18-4 with a 3.49 ERA.

Mr. Perfection was also Mr. Personality, as far as Yankee fans were concerned. They loved his loud mouth and his loud music — Metallica was a favorite. They loved his beer belly and the way he loves The Babe.

Yankees pitcher David Cone spent four hours at Wells' house in Palm Harbor Thursday and said Wells left Thursday night for a golfing weekend in Miami.

"I've never seen him so down ... beyond depressed," Cone said today. "I've never seen anybody so stunned by a trade. He was pacing around and couldn't sit down. He just had to get away."

Clemens' resume is impressive — more Cy Youngs than any player in baseball history, second on the career ERA title list with six, fourth on the

career strikeout list with 3,153 — but doesn't include the ultimate team accomplishment.

"It's good to give fellows a chance who deserve a chance for a World Series ring," Steinbrenner said. "Hopefully we can get back there."

Clemens is owed \$16.1 million during the final two years of his contract and has the right to demand a trade following this season's World Series. He doesn't expect that to become an issue.

While stressing that he appreciates a second chance to join New York, Clemens didn't second-guess choosing Toronto over the Yankees in 1996.

"It worked out for me," he said. "It didn't work out for the team. We didn't win. That's the bottom line."

With a 233-124 career record, Clemens went 20-6 last season while leading the AL in ERA (2.65), strikeouts (271) and tying for the lead in wins. He led in all three categories in 1997.

Though he won consecutive Cy Young Awards with the Blue Jays, he wanted out after the team's Belgium owner, Interbrew SA, decided not to compete with baseball's big spenders this year.

Houston and Texas were still bidding for Clemens this week, but the deal with the Yankees came together after

Toronto dropped its insistence on obtaining 21-year-old shortstop Alfonso Soriano.

"He's a horse, and he's now our horse," New York general manager Brian Cashman said. "We're betting on him."

The Yankees set an AL record for wins last year, going 114-48 in the regular season. New York then went 11-2 in the postseason, including a Series sweep of San Diego.

"This is a tremendous thing — hopefully to get back again. Not that we wouldn't have that chance anyway. But it might improve our chances," Steinbrenner said.

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2. Looney Tunes	50-18	1-908
3. Town & Country	46-26	1-778
4. Keating Cattle	46-52	1-611
5. WTRT	41-47	1-594
6. Gutter Busters	41-47	1-532
7. Lucky Ladies	37-51	48758
8. Brandon & Clark	36-52	51070

H. Ladies Game - Linda Wilcox-203, H. Ladies Series - Nancy Ruckman-519

### WED. NIGHT LADIES

	W-L	Team Totals
1. Blondies	56-28	20,762
2. Algo Diferente	47-36.5	20,671
3. Pin Busters	47-36.5	19,342
4. Lucky 7	44-36	20,893
5. Two-Two	43-41	19,308
6. Hi, Lo	41-42	20,590
7. Something Different	37-37	20,382

H. Ladies Game - Laura Field-205, H. Ladies Series - Laura Field-503

### TUES. NITE MIXED DOUBLES

	W-L	Team Totals
1. Can't Touch This	15-5	2505
2. Los Primas	11-9	40024
3. Wild Bunch	10-10	40192
4. 2 Hits and Mrs.	9-11	40872
5. Sting Ray	8-12	39704
6. Warren Motors	7-13	39365

H. Team Game - Sting Ray-676, H. Team Series - Can't Touch This, H. Men's Game - Duane Mancini-247, H. Men's Series - Duane Mancini-687, H. Women's Game - Cindy Caro-162, H. Women's Series - Cindy Caro-444

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INSIDE

# Justice official says changes needed in counsel law

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Independent Counsel Act has problems and needs some changes, says Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder, who is supervising the Justice Department's review of the Watergate-inspired law.

"It is a statute that has some problems and needs some work, I think at a minimum," Holder told a news conference Thursday. With the law's expiration this summer, "we have an opportunity ... at a minimum, to tinker with it," he added.

Holder would not identify either the problems he sees or

the changes he wants. But his boss, Attorney General Janet Reno, has suggested several times that an amendment is needed to force independent counsels to live within budgets, like all other government officials.

A Justice study group that Holder heads is reviewing the experience with the law and will make recommendations to Reno in a week to 10 days.

"At this point, I don't think I can safely say that anything has been ruled out" as a possible administration position,

Holder said.

"We've considered ... everything from having the act re-passed in its present form to simply letting it lapse, and we've considered everything in between," Holder said.

The Clinton administration likely will agree on a formal recommendation either before Holder testifies about the act to a House subcommittee next week or before Reno appears in mid-March at a Senate committee hearing on it, Holder added.

Many economists believe that the deficit for all of this year will be at least \$60 billion worse than the 1998 figure as American exporters face continued troubles selling into global markets with one-third of the world in recession.

## U.S. trade deficit hits all-time high

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. trade deficit surged to an all-time high of \$168.6 billion last year as the global financial crisis battered American manufacturers and farmers, triggering the first decline in exports in 13 years.

The Commerce Department reported today that last year's deficit jumped 53 percent from a 1997 imbalance of \$110.2 billion, surpassing the old record of \$153.4 billion set in 1987.

In one bit of good news, the deficit in December narrowed unexpectedly to \$13.8 billion, down 10 percent from November, but analysts saw that as a momentary respite from what is likely to be more bad news in 1999.

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In other economic news today, the Labor Department reported that inflation remained tame with consumer prices rising just a tiny 0.1 percent in January as higher costs for oranges, airline tickets and cigarettes were offset by price declines elsewhere, including the biggest one-month drop in clothing costs in a decade.

There was little immediate reaction in financial markets. The yield on 30-year Treasury bonds, a barometer for long-term borrowing costs, nudged up a bit after the trade and inflation figures were released, giving up early morning gains, to stand at Thursday's late level of 5.38 percent.

The worsening trade per-

formance has presented a political headache for President Clinton, who took office in 1993 vowing to negotiate global trade deals that would expand opportunities for American producers.

Exports for all of 1998 fell 0.7 percent to \$931.3 billion, the first setback in sales abroad since 1985. Until last year, healthy export gains had contributed fully one-third of total U.S. economic growth through the 1990s.

The widening of the global financial crisis, which began in Asia in July 1997, has meant hard times for many American exporters.

Farmers suffered through their worst year in a decade and many manufacturing companies have been forced to cut back production and lay off workers.

U.S. producers of certain items, notably steel and autos, have faced increased pressure from imports as crisis countries have shipped their excess goods to the United States.

The politically sensitive trade deficits with both Japan and China widened last year. The imbalance with China rose 15 percent to a record \$56.9 billion, the highest ever for any country other than Japan.

America's deficit with Japan rose 14 percent to \$64.1

billion, the second worst showing on record, surpassed only by a \$65.7 billion deficit with Japan in 1994.

The U.S. deficit with all Pacific Rim countries, the hardest hit region from the global crisis, rose 33 percent in 1998 to \$160.4 billion.

The administration is already under increased pressure from U.S. steel makers and their union to raise trade

barriers to halt a flood of cheap imported steel. The Commerce Department last week issued a preliminary ruling that tariffs on certain types of steel from Japan and Brazil would face increased tariffs of up to 70 percent.

The industry is also pressuring Congress to impose worldwide quotas on steel, warning of more layoffs and bankruptcies without government relief.

Clinton used his State of the Union address to pointedly alert Japan that the administration will bring its own trade cases unless Japanese steel shipments to this country start to decline.

The administration is concerned that steel will be the first in a long line of U.S. industries seeking increased protection from foreign competition in moves that could trigger retaliation.

To counter this threat, Clinton is proposing the launching of a new global round of trade negotiations under the auspices of the 124-nation World Trade Organization.

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# Scenes from a banquet



Among the area residents who were enjoying themselves at the annual Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce banquet were (above, from left) Melida and George Pacheco and Marr Tyler, as well as (at left) Dr. Aaron and Della Hutto. The annual banquet was held Thursday night in the banquet hall of the Hereford Independent School District Administration Building.

## Banquet

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that's 'Don't he look natural?'"

He mixed his observances with the taped interviews, which included the famous, such as the late John Henry Faulk, cowboy cartoonist Ace Reid and Hondo Crouch, the "mayor" of Luckenbach, and "just plain folks" who had stories to tell.

Smith said he likes to "report on the obvious because it's what is most easily overlooked."

During his career, which has included 8,000 radio programs, he said he's worn out several vehicles, traveled enough miles in Texas to have gone to the moon and back three times, and

used enough audio tape to wrap the state twice.

The evening also included the presentation of Shannon Redwine, who had been selected by the chamber Women's Division as its 1998 Woman of the Year.

Also recognized were the outgoing chamber directors, Diane Krieg, Wade Easley and Jimmy Bell, as well as Sid Shaw, who turned over the gavel as chamber president to Chris Leonard.

In his remarks, Leonard said he learned long ago that the hallmark of a good public speaker is "the three B's - be interesting, be brief and be seated."

## Goodbye Georges, Mitch

WASHINGTON (AP) — Georges and Mitch, hurricanes that battered the Gulf of Mexico and Central America last year, are about to have their jerseys retired.

When a hurricane has a devastating impact on a country its name is dropped from use, explained Arthur J. Dania, director of the weather service of Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

"I'm pretty sure two names, Georges and Mitch, from last year will be retired," he said in a telephone interview.

That would bring the total of names retired over the years to 49, beginning with Carol, which battered North Carolina, New York and parts of New England in 1954.

Mitch certainly qualifies as devastating, claiming thousands of lives in Central America when it stalled last October, pouring record rains on Honduras and Nicaragua. The resulting floods were so powerful that maps are having to be redrawn to reflect the new contours of the land.

Georges blasted across parts of the Caribbean in September, striking Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and

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## Report: Kids threatened by pesticides on fruits

NEW YORK (AP) — It's a surprising new warning for parents from Consumer Reports: Beware of feeding your kids too many peaches, apples, pears and spinach because of potential pesticide residue.

A Consumer Reports study released Thursday and published in next month's issue claims these healthy foods contain residues that could be unsafe for young children — and that the government is not doing enough about it.

Children subjected to the pesticides may be vulnerable to neurological damage, according to the findings, which offered no clinical proof of harm.

The study puts winter squash and green beans at the top of a list of foods for pesticide residue.

Some scientists were quick to discredit the study.

"This is nonsense," said Bruce Ames, professor of biochemistry at the University of California in Berkeley. Focusing on "minuscule" levels of pesticide residues "is a dis-

traction from something far more important — feeding kids fruits and vegetables that prevent cancer and other diseases," he said.

Edward Groth, a biologist at Consumers Union, which publishes Consumer Reports, said the findings don't mean parents should stop giving their children produce. He said they might be careful about the amounts served.

Consumer Reports relied on data collected by the Department of Agriculture, focusing on 27,000 samples of 27 food categories tested from 1994 to 1997, both domestic and imported. The effects of various chemicals were assessed on how they would affect a 44-pound child, usually an average 5-year-old.

Virtually all the foods fell within legal limits for pesticide residue. However, the government has stricter recommendations for what is officially defined as safe, meaning without appreciable health risk.

*Foods with the lowest toxicity include canned or frozen sweet corn, milk, orange juice, broccoli, imported bananas and apple juice.*

Under those standards, U.S.-grown peaches in the study contained up to 125 times the levels of the farm chemical methyl parathion than the government deems safe for a 44-pound child. The law allows twice that amount.

The Environmental Protection Agency is now implementing the 1996 Food Quality Protection Act, which requires it to reexamine all pesticides and tighten exposure limits to make them safer for younger children.

Meanwhile, parents should avoid giving their children large amounts of the foods with the highest toxicity scores, Groth said.

Produce such as apples, peaches and pears could be peeled, and these fruits as well as green, leafy vegetables can even be washed "with a very diluted dishwashing detergent," according to the Consumers Union, a Yonkers, N.Y.-based nonprofit testing and information-gathering organization.

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## Ann Landers



**Dear Ann Landers:** I hope you haven't stopped printing "how we met" letters just because some people think they are corny. I'd love to see mine in the paper.

Thirty-six years ago, our women's bowling team had a picnic. One of the women asked if I would consider a date with her brother-in-law. She said he was single, 27, Catholic and recently discharged from the Navy. He sounded terrific, and I said I'd love to meet him. She wanted to call him right away from a public phone in the park. Back then, phone calls were a dime. She didn't have any change, so I gave her one of my coins. I was a little reluctant to part with that 1962 Roosevelt dime since I collected them, but I figured it was for a good cause.

She made the call and arranged a blind date, which turned out to be fabulous. Tony and I were married 15 months later. Recently, we celebrated our 35th anniversary. While visiting friends, I casually mentioned that I would love to find a 1962 Roosevelt dime and make it into a pendant for Tony to give me as an anniversary present. Believe it or not, my friends brought out a container filled with Roosevelt dimes that they had been collecting for several years. Much to my delight, I found a 1962 dime.

I took it to a jeweler, and now, I have a beautiful, lasting remembrance of the first time I met my husband, Tony, in June of 1962. — Betty in Dubuque, Iowa

**Dear Betty:** What a great idea! And what a special way to remember your first date.

**Dear Ann Landers:** Not long ago, I read one of your columns on dryer vents catching fire. On the very day that column appeared, there was a story in the paper about a fire on the cruise ship Ecstasy. Apparently, the fire started when a spark ignited the dryer lint in the ship's ducts. The National Transportation Safety Board has since issued a recommendation that all cruise lines clean the lint from their

ships' laundry vents.

I don't know how you schedule your columns, but your timing was perfect. Keep it up. — Lem in Florida

**Dear Lem:** Thanks for the compliment, but you can't beat dumb luck — and that's exactly what it was.

**Dear Ann Landers:** Why is it that people nowadays feel it is no longer necessary to express thanks for a gift? It takes only a few moments to write or phone and let the giver know that you did, in fact, receive the gift and you appreciate his or her thoughtfulness.

I send a fair number of gifts through the mail, and I rely on thank-you notes to verify that my packages arrived. I've thought of using certified return receipt mail, but it is an added expense and should not be necessary. I genuinely enjoy sending gifts to my family and friends, but my enjoyment is diminished when I have to guess whether or not the gift was received.

I know I'm a fool to continue sending presents to people who fail to thank me, but giving is such a pleasure, I hate to give it up. What possible excuse is there for people who don't acknowledge gifts? — E.B., Moreno Valley, Calif.

**Dear E.B.:** People who fail to acknowledge gifts are slob, and I can think of no excuse that is good enough. Those who hate to write can pick up the phone. To continue to send gifts to people who don't bother to say "thank you" makes very little sense. Many worthy charities would love to hear from you.

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## Low cost breast cancer screening scheduled at health care providers

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening at South Plains Health Care Providers, Inc., 603 East Park, on March 12.

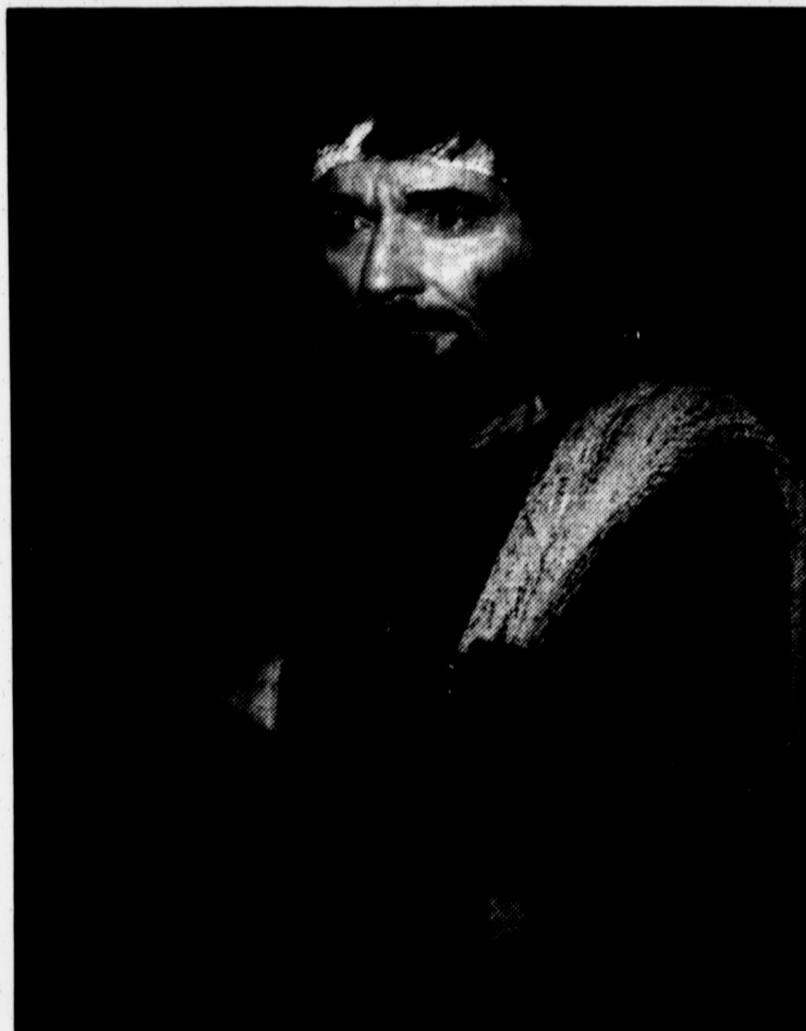
Participants will receive a low-cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse.

A minimum of 15 women needs to register in order for

the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns. All exams are done by appointment only.

This clinic is available only to women who need financial assistance. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

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**Character actor**—Frank Harvey will portray Simon Peter and other biblical characters in dramas designed to make scripture come alive during performances Feb. 28-March 3 at First United Methodist Church, 501 N. Main.

## Biblical performances to be given at FUMC

Frank Harvey, an actor who portrays biblical characters, will perform a series of live dramas at First United Methodist Church Feb. 28-March 3.

Each drama will depict one of 10 different biblical characters. His portrayals of these characters are designed to make scripture come alive and add meaning and insight to some of the persons in the Bible.

An ordained United Methodist minister from Lexington, Ky., Harvey has presented his unique portrayals throughout

the United States and in performance tours in Europe and Asia. He spent more than three years researching and writing the dramas based on each of the biblical characters he portrays.

Dramas will be presented at 8:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 28. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 1-3, presentations will be at 6:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend any of the performances. There will be no admission charge.

## Toastmasters vote Garth best speaker at meeting

Hereford Toastmasters voted Teresa Garth as best speaker and Jigger Rowland as best evaluator during the Thursday morning meeting at the Ranch House Restaurant.

Sharon Cramer presided at the business meeting. The district governor will be in Hereford Feb. 25 to deliver officers' training.

Margaret Del Toro led the pledge and Oscar Barrera III gave the invocation and also served as toastmaster.

Lydia Villanueva was timer and Clark Andrews was AH

counter and grammarian.

Speakers, in addition to Garth, were Jeannine Zimmerman and David Castillo. Zimmerman's topic was "Danger on the Internet" and was evaluated by Cramer.

Castillo spoke on "The Icebreaker" and Rowland was evaluator.

Garth's winning subject was "The Human Element" and Wayne Winget evaluated the presentation.

Guests at the meeting were Michael Schumacher and Adolfo Del Toro.

## Birthday open house to honor Walterscheid

The family of Liz Walterscheid will honor her on her 90th birthday with an open house from 2 p.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at 115 Douglas to allow her friends and acquaintances to express their birthday wishes. At 6 p.m. a special mass will be said in her honor at St. Anthony's Catholic Church.



Liz Walterscheid

Mrs. Walterscheid was born Feb. 24, 1909, in Lindsay. She married Frank J. Walterscheid on April 15, 1929. He died in 1988. Two sons, Richard and Butch, are also deceased.

Hosts for the occasion are her children, Vincent, Leonard, Kenneth and Larry, all of Hereford; Betty Shuvalov of Austin; and Jeanette Rogers and Doris Welch of Amarillo. Her 31 grandchildren and her 36-great-grandchildren will help in the celebration of mass.

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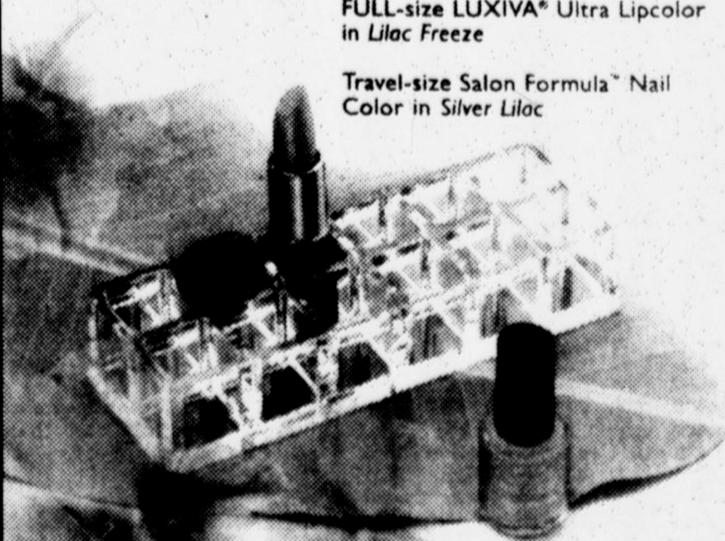
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Reporter?—No, but Nocky Tyler was dressed for the part at the annual Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Banquet Thursday night at the HISD Administration Building.

## Russian general turns to God following near-fatal copter crash

SHERMAN, Texas — He called himself wicked. He was an enemy to the United States, sworn by communism and influenced by propaganda. He was given the code name "General War" for his command against freedom fighters in the Soviet Union's war in Afghanistan.

Then one day, the Iron Curtain came crashing in for Vyacheslav Borisov, general in the Soviet Army.

During the height of the deputy commander's rule over 100,000 Russian troops in the Afghan war, a death warrant of \$1.5 million was put on Gen. Borisov's head. Surveying the battles one day, his helicopter came under heavy sniper fire.

His helicopter was hit, and was going down fast. "I knew I was about to die," he said, recalling the episode last week through an interpreter.

In those fleeting seconds before impact, Borisov remembered the few young soldiers he heard about who were part of the underground church in Russia. They were supposed to be atheists, and the ruling Communist Party deemed Christianity completely unacceptable. But these men, they had told the general about God, Jesus and their faith in the afterlife. The thoughts ran through his head as the helicopter spun out of control.

The devastating crash left Borisov in a month-long coma. He was the only one aboard the helicopter to survive. Six months later, he was released from the hospital. He said he found more than pain in his brush with death — he found God.

Back in Moscow, Borisov served as a military advisor for the Russian lower house of parliament. This communist general, feared around the world, told his superiors he was now a Christian. He was frowned upon by the leaders that he served.

"Perhaps my survival of the helicopter crash gave me the benefit of the doubt among the communists. They might have doubted my sanity," he said.

But as Glasnost took root in what was then the Soviet Union, and freedoms started to expand, he was called a pioneer.

The converted Borisov started to take Bibles onto Soviet Army bases and pass them out to young men going into the military (more than 300,000 a year are drafted). "I was tackling the obstacles to Christianity, the barriers that stood so long in my country because of communism."

In Russia, he said, communism was a religion. "Now it is gone and it has created a

vacuum. A vacuum that must be filled."

He's spreading his word in his homeland about God and the Bible. He's helping open chapels on Army bases across the Russian territory.

The Bibles he receives to spread the word around Russia come from Duncanville, Texas. After years of hearing propaganda telling him Russia was a paradise and the United States was a spoiled land, he came to America to see for himself. TV shows, such as "Dallas," made their way to Russian television and Borisov said the images showed a prosperous America, one the communist propaganda was preaching against.

He said it was faith that opened his eyes to peace, and the realization that the United States was an ally and not an enemy.

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##### Breakfast

MONDAY—Mini corn dogs with syrup; or cereal, buttered toast, mixed fruit, milk choice.

TUESDAY—Breakfast pocket; or cereal, buttered toast, orange pineapple juice, milk choice.

WEDNESDAY—Scrambled eggs with sausage, flour tortilla; or cereal, buttered toast, rosey applesauce, milk choice.

THURSDAY—Sausage patties, biscuit and jelly; or cereal, buttered toast, orange smiles, milk choice.

FRIDAY—Cinnamon tasteries; or cereal, buttered toast, banana, milk choice.

##### Lunch

MONDAY—Pork rib nuggets with barbecue sauce, border beans, potato wedges with catsup, cornbread, hot apple cobbler, milk choice.

TUESDAY—Cheese pizza with Canadian bacon, garden salad with dressing, mini corn on cob, cherry freeze cup, milk choice.

WEDNESDAY—Turkey fry

with catsup, mashed potatoes with gravy, black-eyed peas, whole wheat roll, strawberry apple dessert, milk choice.

THURSDAY—Chicken quesadillas with picante sauce, lettuce with tomato bits, Spanish rice, refried beans, sliced pears, cowboy bread, milk choice.

FRIDAY—Chili dog with mustard or tuna sandwich, pork and beans, french fries with catsup, fruit cup parfait, royal brownie, milk choice.

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WEDNESDAY—Hamburgers, tator tots, lettuce/tomato/pickle slices, applesauce cake, milk.

THURSDAY—Beef enchiladas, pinto beans, tossed salad, cherry crisp, milk.

FRIDAY—Macaroni and cheese, green beans, corn, hot rolls, applesauce, milk.

### Looking Back

## Today in History

#### By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Feb. 19, the 50th day of 1999. There are 315 days left in the year.

#### Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 19, 1945, during World War II, some 30,000 Marines landed on Iwo Jima, where they began a month-long battle to seize control of the island from Japanese forces.

#### On this date:

In 1473, the astronomer Copernicus was born in Torun, Poland.

In 1803, Congress voted to accept Ohio's borders and constitution. (However, Congress did not get around to formally ratifying Ohio statehood until 1953.)

In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr was arrested in Alabama. He was subsequently tried for treason and acquitted.

In 1846, the Texas state government was formally installed in Austin.

In 1878, Thomas Edison received a patent for his phonograph.

In 1881, Kansas became the first state to prohibit all alcoholic beverages.

In 1942, President Roosevelt signed an executive order giving the military the authority to relocate and intern Japanese-Americans.

In 1942, about 150 Japanese warplanes attacked the Australian city of Darwin.

In 1959, an agreement was signed by Britain, Turkey and Greece granting Cyprus its independence.

In 1986, the U.S. Senate approved a treaty outlawing genocide, 37 years after the pact had first been submitted for ratification.

In 1997, Deng Xiaoping, the last of China's major Communist revolutionaries, died.

Ten years ago: Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini rejected the apology of "Satanic Verses" author Salman Rushdie, exhorting Muslims to "send him to hell" for committing blasphemy.

Five years ago: With Bosnian Serbs facing a NATO deadline to withdraw heavy weapons encircling Sarajevo or face air strikes, President Clinton delivered an address from the Oval Office reaffirming the ultimatum. American speedskater Bonnie Blair won the fourth Olympic gold medal of her career as she won the 500-meter race in Lillehammer, Norway.

One year ago: U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan set out for Iraq on a last-chance peace mission, saying he was "reasonably optimistic" about ending the standoff over weapons inspections without the use of force. At the Nagano Olympics, Austrian Hermann Maier won the men's giant slalom while Hilde Gerg of Germany won the women's slalom.

Today's Birthdays: Movie director John Frankenheimer ("The Manchurian Candidate") is 69. Singer Smokey Robinson is 59. Singer Bobby Rogers (Smokey Robinson & the Miracles) is 59. Actress Carlin Glynn is 59. Singer Lou Christie is 56. Actor Michael Nader is 54. Rock musician Tony Iommi (Black Sabbath) is 51. Actor Jeff Daniels is 44. Talk show host Lorianne Crook is 42. Britain's Prince Andrew is 39. Tennis Hall-of-Famer Hana Mandlikova is 37. Actress Justine Bateman is 33.

Thought for Today: "I can never give a 'yes' or a 'no.' I don't believe everything in life can be settled by a monosyllable." — Betty Smith, American author (1904-1972).



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FOR, DURING THE NIGHT, ONE OF MY MEN SOUGHT TO DESTROY SAUL!

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INSIDE

# Clinton : limping, but still going

## Small businesses get votes, taxes and relief

AUSTIN (AP) — Senate budget writers voted to cut taxes and spend money Thursday.

Small businesses would get a franchise tax break totaling \$57.2 million over the next five years, a period under a bill that's part of Gov. George W. Bush's tax-relief package.

"Small businesses in Texas operate on small profit margins, so every dollar counts," Sen. Royce L. West, R-Horseshoe Bay, said when he filed the bill.

The Senate Finance Committee passed the franchise tax break and for a \$96.7 million bill — including more than \$54 million in tax cuts — from a general revenue fund — for items ranging from child protective services to drought relief to education in prisons.

The emergency spending bill "provides all kinds of goodies," said Committee Vice Chairman Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi.

Both bills are headed to the full Senate for consideration.

Under the tax measure, businesses with gross receipts of \$100,000 a year or less would be exempt from the corporate franchise tax and from filing annual reports with the state comptroller, according to Fraser's office.

Currently, all businesses have to file paperwork, but they don't have to pay the franchise tax if they are less than \$100, according to Fraser's office.

Under the bill, 26,000 businesses that would have to pay taxes under current law would be exempt. It is estimated that a total of 231,000 would be exempt from paperwork requirements that bill backers say also cost businesses money.

"It makes no sense to start a small business in Texas and then have to spend as much as \$500 to get someone to fill out a franchise tax form, when the actual tax payment may only be about \$100," Fraser said.

On the spending side, the largest proposed emergency expenditures in the bill by Finance Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, include:

- \$27.6 million to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
- \$25 million to the Texas Department of Agriculture for drought relief.
- \$18.8 million to fight social promotion, in which children are promoted from grade to grade without the necessary skills.
- \$8.9 million for child protective services, which would include \$6.7 million in state general revenue money and \$2.2 million in federal funds.
- \$7.1 million to the Texas A&M University System to reimburse expenses related to suppressing forest fires.
- \$6 million for workers compensation benefits.

The emergency appropriations bill is SB473. The franchise tax cut bill is SB144.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton went to New Hampshire Thursday night, seven years after he promised to fight until "the last dog dies," that made him want to show the world — or at least his critics — that he still is standing despite the Monica Lewinsky scandal.

"This dog is limping, but still going," Clinton said, giving credit to his supporters. "If you had listened to the political experts, this dog would have died. But instead you held out a lifeline. You embraced our cause."

Clinton spent much of Thursday tiptoeing along the edge of gloating, taking advantage of the fine ironies that surrounded him. The visit to New Hampshire, where he turned a second-place showing in 1992 into a victory of sorts, marked his first political outing since the Senate acquitted him last week of perjury and obstruction of justice charges.

The place where he once begged for a second chance was also the place where he paused to catch his second wind.

"I am glad to be back," Clinton said before hundreds of New Hampshire's Democratic faithful in the National Guard Armory in Manchester. "All the experts expected you to send me home; instead you made me feel at home, and I still do."

He worked the crowd zealously, posing for pictures and absorbing more than a few hugs and kisses.

"They took a chance on him and I think he's repaid that trust with his performance in office," said Paul Begala, a campaign strategist in 1992, a White House strategist today.

"There's a popular myth that he survived in New Hampshire, or indeed survived today, because of his political talent, which is manifest," Begala said. "My view is that he's surviving, then and today, because of his ideas."

Clinton tried to put those ideas on display Thursday, holding a roundtable discussion with Gov. Jeanne

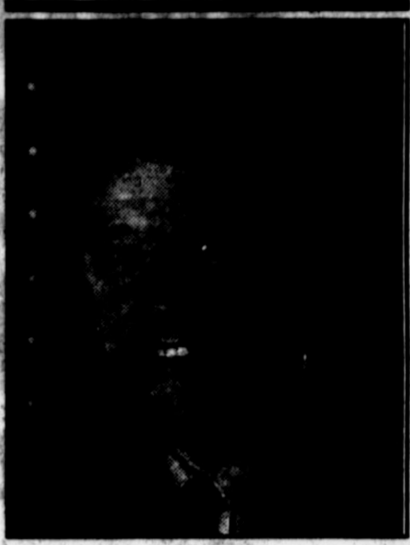
Shaheen and people whose health care hardships illustrate what some of his budget proposals — particularly a \$1,000 tax credit for long-term care — are designed to help alleviate.

"You will hear all kinds of debates in the next year about what to do with the (budget) surplus," Clinton said. "But we have to ask ourselves, 'What should our first priority be?'"

He argued that priority should be people, echoing the 1992 mantra that he and Vice President Al Gore put into a book. He liberally put in plugs for Gore, reminding them that the vice president cast the deciding vote on the 1993 budget plan that Clinton says paved the way for today's surpluses.

"Nobody had more to do with the decisions we've made and success we've enjoyed than Vice President Al Gore," he said. As if on cue, dozens of people began waving white "Gore 2000" placards.

Clinton punched the air confidently with his fist as he left the stage and lingered to shake hands. For the first



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**President Clinton**

time in months, he ventured close to reporters who wanted to know whether being in New Hampshire was nourishing for his soul.

"Sounds pretty good," Clinton said.

"Immediately, the rhetoric of partisan hostility must stop. Our language too often has been heard as mean, judgmental and partisan. That 'the other side does it' is no excuse. ... Challenges will rise from partisan and ideological quarters. That is when we must stay the course with unity, courage — and discipline."

**Republican Main Street Partnership**

## New GOP group says party must soften language

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new Republican moderate group says the party must soften its language and push a centrist agenda featuring "compassion as well as prudence" or it could lose control of Congress in the 2000 elections.

"Immediately, the rhetoric of partisan hostility must stop," the Republican Main Street Partnership wrote in an open letter to congressional Republicans. "Our language too often has been heard as mean, judgmental and partisan. That 'the other side does it' is no excuse."

The letter concedes, "Challenges will rise from partisan and ideological quarters. That is when we must stay the course with unity, courage — and discipline."

The letter underscores the tug of war under way within the GOP in the wake of President Clinton's unpopular impeachment trial and party losses in last November's elections. The GOP failed to improve its 55-45 Senate edge and lost five House seats, leaving it with a precarious 11-seat House margin and big questions about how to prepare for the 2000 presidential and congressional races.

The partnership's preference is to push a bipartisan agenda that can be enacted into law with Clinton, including action on Social Security, schools and taxes.

"On health care, Medicaid and Medicare, we must legislate with compassion as well as prudence," they wrote.

The partnership is a year-old group representing moderate Republicans in Congress and across the country. Among its listed members are 41 House members, three senators, former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and ITT Corp. chairman Rand Araskog.

The group released its letter even as House GOP leaders tried to craft a consensus agenda Republican lawmakers can pursue this year. There is general agreement to pursue a Social Security overhaul with Clinton and to seek tax cuts, education changes and more spending for defense, but the leaders are laboring to line up support for specific proposals.

Some GOP aides privately expressed frustration that the moderate group was focusing attention on Republican divisions rather than on opposition Democrats. But conservative Rep. David McIntosh, R-Ind., a member of the House GOP leadership, said he welcomed the letter's call for GOP unity behind positive themes.

"Let's focus on showing why our ideas are good for people," McIntosh said.

The moderates' letter was short on specifics, which is where many of the internal GOP disputes occur.

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS News roundup

### Allies prepare to evacuate as Kosovo deadline approaches

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia — Western embassies prepared to evacuate staff and NATO troops stood poised at Yugoslavia's border today, ready to pull international monitors to safety as the deadline approached for a peace agreement for Kosovo.

With NATO threatening airstrikes should Saturday's noon deadline pass without an accord between Serbs and ethnic Albanians, some residents of the provincial capital, Pristina, started stocking up on food, fearful of both airstrikes and retaliatory attacks by Serb forces.

Some 2,000 people have died and hundreds of thousands been driven from their homes in a year of conflict in Kosovo. Ethnic Albanians make up 90 percent of the province, and most want independence from Serbia, Yugoslavia's main republic.

NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana refused to say how soon airstrikes would come if the deadline passed with no deal, "but let me say this would be soon."

Solana spoke Thursday from neighboring Macedonia, where he was simultaneously overseeing plans for either deployment of peace troops to enforce any peace accord or for an "extraction force" that would help evacuate 1,300 international monitors ahead of NATO bombing.

The president of Serbia urged the United States and five European powers to stop pressing for NATO ground troops to enforce any peace accord for Kosovo.

"Threats, pressure and ultimatums over the troops can only distance the participants in the talks from the essence of the problem, and a much-needed political agreement about the problems in Kosovo," Milan Milutinovic said in a statement from the peace talks, which are being held outside Paris.

### Another fee shows up on phone bills

WASHINGTON — Yet another new fee is beginning to appear on monthly telephone bills. The charge, typically about 50 cents a month for each phone line, is intended to help pave the way for the day when customers can change local carriers as easily as long-distance providers.

Some local phone companies began billing for the new fee in February; others plan to do so over the next several months.

The charge pays for the local phone companies' costs of complying with a provision in a 1996 law. Businesses also will pay a fee, depending on the services they get.

The charge covers the companies' cost for technical changes they must make so consumers can keep their phone numbers after they have switched to a new local phone provider. Those changes could cost the industry \$3 billion over five years, under one phone company estimate.

The concept of portable phone numbers is not new. For years, long-distance customers have been able to change their long-distance carriers without getting a new phone number.

The rationale: Consumers would be less inclined to switch to a new carrier — local or long-distance — if they had to get a new phone number each time. That would thwart the goal of competition.

But most residential customers do not have a choice of local telephone providers. Local phone competition that has evolved since the 1996 law mainly focuses on lucrative, high-volume business customers.

### OSHA rules aim to curb strain injuries

WASHINGTON — The Occupational Safety and Health Administration is proposing standards that could force employers to alter workstations, redesign facilities or change tools to help reduce repetitive-motion injuries and back strain in the workplace.

The long-awaited draft "ergonomics" standards were being released today, according to a Labor Department official speaking on condition of anonymity.

The rules are intended to curb stress trauma cases such as carpal tunnel syndrome, which is commonly caused by repeated motions, and to help prevent other injuries that result from awkward postures and equipment that do not properly fit workers.

OSHA spokesman Frank Kane said the draft standards were developed over many years with input from companies and experts in ergonomics — the science of adapting the work environment to suit the worker.

The standards reflect "what we've noticed worked successfully in companies," he said. Kane said the draft standards probably will evolve into an actual proposal sometime this summer, when it will be open for public comment before a final rule is made.

According to the agency, more than 647,000 Americans suffer serious injuries and illnesses each year due to overexertion or repetitive stress on the job.

## Comedy Central has new honcho

NEW YORK (AP) — Comedy Central, home to the foul-mouthed cartoon cutouts of "South Park," has appointed its top advertising executive as its new top man.

The cable network appointed Larry Divney as its new president and chief executive officer Thursday. He replaces Doug Herzog, who left late last year to become the top programmer at Fox.

Comedy Central, owned by Time Warner and Viacom, beat its ad sales projections last year by more than \$30 million.

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Invocation .....Sam Metcalf  
Pledge .....George Ochs  
Introductions & Acknowledgments .....Sid Shaw  
Retiring Directors .....Sid Shaw  
Introductions - Incoming President .....Chris Leonard

Woman of the Year .....Kim Leonard  
Introduction of Speaker .....Don Cumpton  
Speaker .....Tumbleweed Smith  
Citizen of the Year .....Dr. Stan Fry, Jr.  
Closing Remarks .....Chris Leonard  
Reception .....Following in the SE Open Area

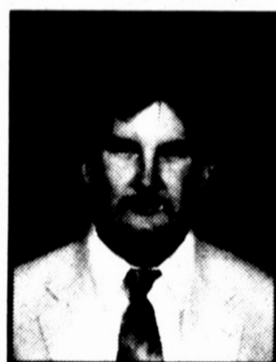
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Kim Leonard  
David McDonald  
Andra Schlabs  
Sid Shaw

### 2000-2001

Sam Metcalf  
Dennis Artho  
Vaavia Edwards  
Debbie Gonzalez  
Sue Hyer

### 1998-2000

Mike Veazey  
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George Ochs  
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Kim Leonard



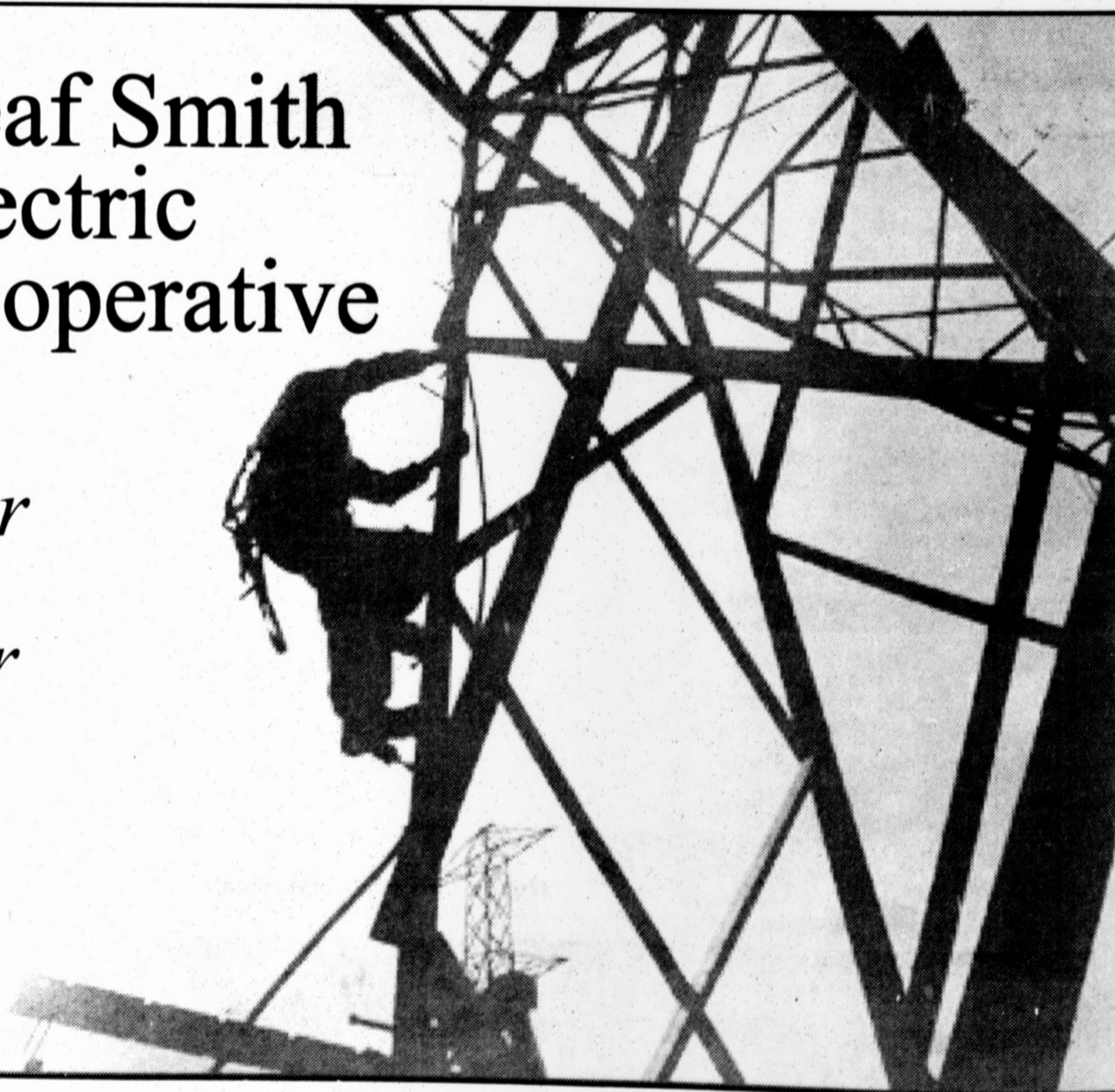
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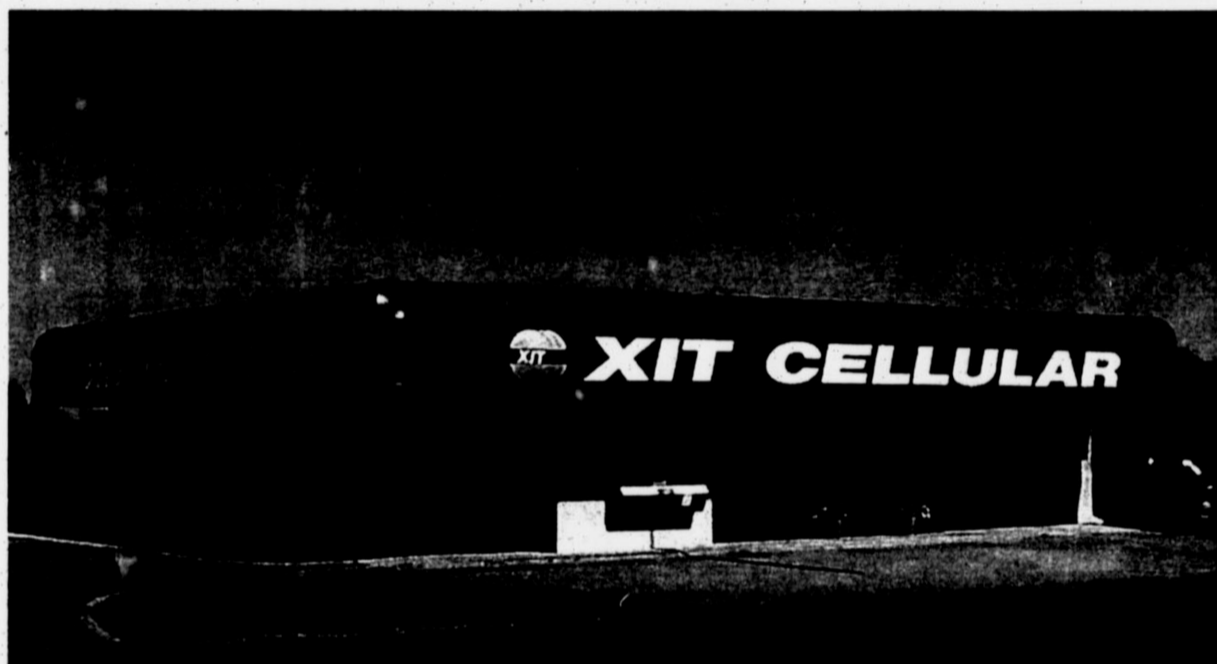
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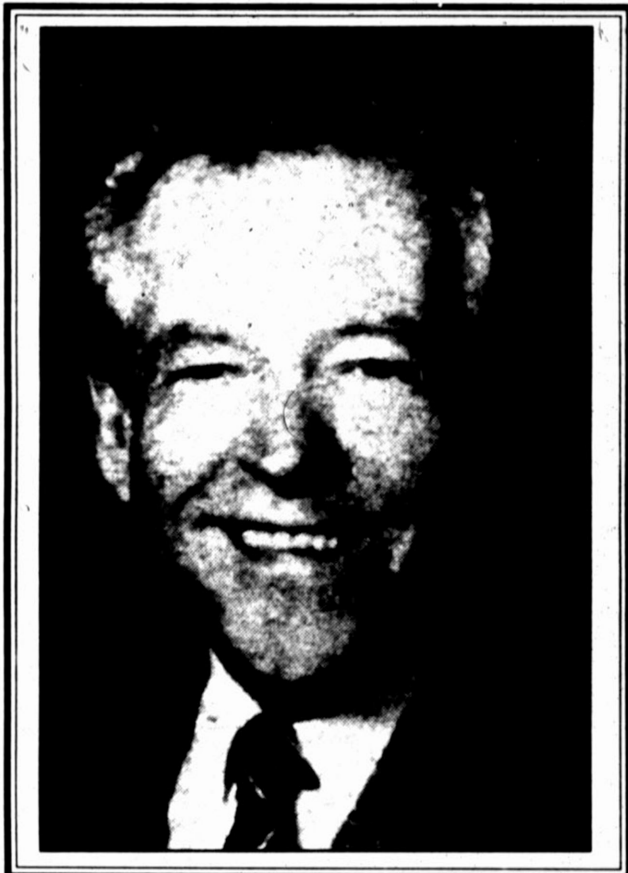


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Although Smith was born in Waco, he grew up in Fort Worth. He earned a bachelor's degree in English from Baylor University, studied language at Monterrey, Mexico, and Kassel, Germany, and served in the Army Security Agency.

He also earned a master's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri and attended Drake University Law School.

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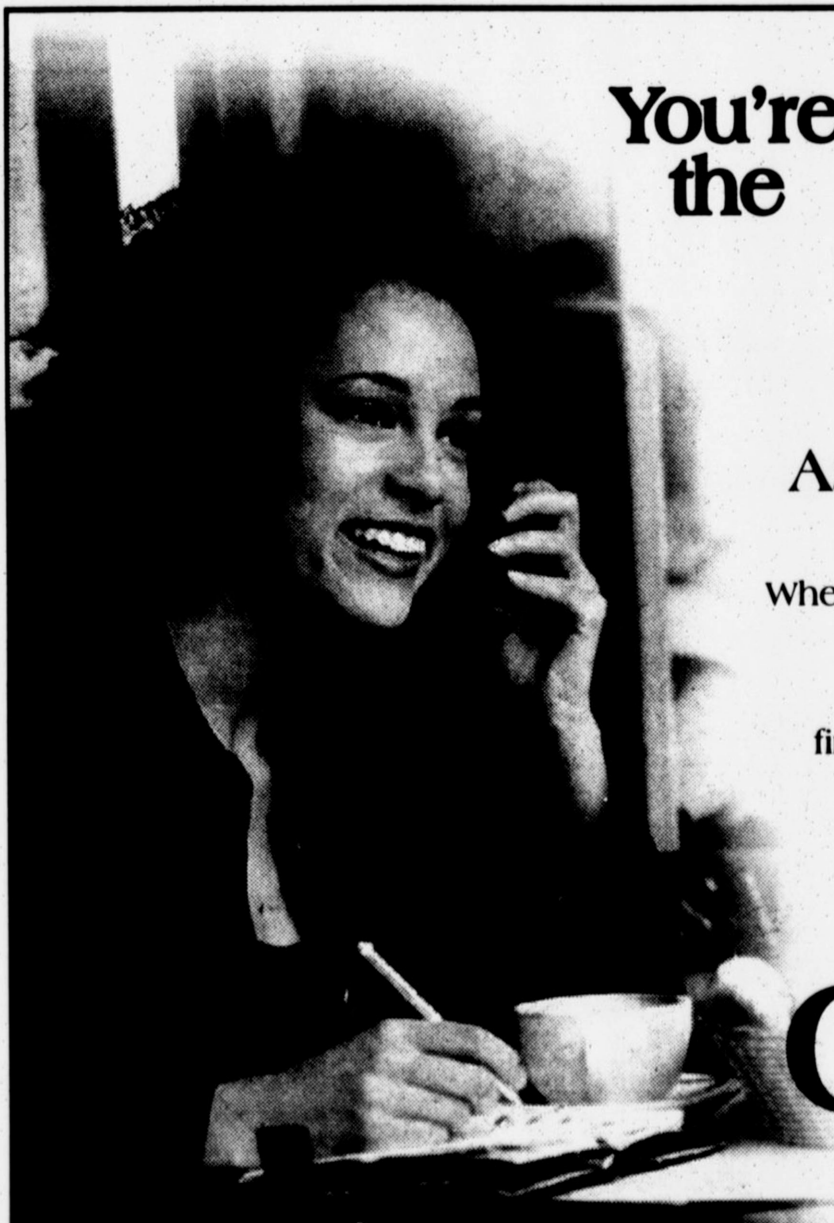
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# Chamber committees set momentum...



## **AGRIBUSINESS** **Chris Leonard**

Coordinate efforts with Economic Development to help initiate and promote new or expanded growth.

Work toward increasing active membership recruitment among farmers, ranchers and agricultural industries.

Coordinate and combine activities of Agribusiness Committee and Water Committee in order to better represent membership.

Support Ag in classrooms. Establish and maintain liaison with state and national leaders and inform them of local agriculture situations.

Attend, support and promote the Deaf Smith County Livestock Show.



## **RETAIL BUSINESS** **Co-Chairmen: Renee Huckert & Dave Jorgensen**

Actively support a program to improve courtesy and customer service.

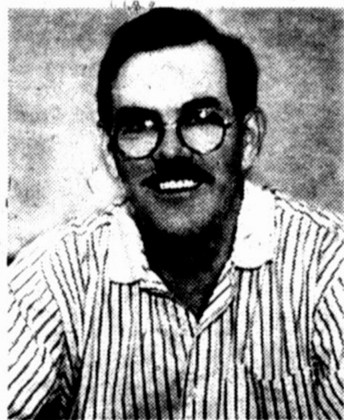
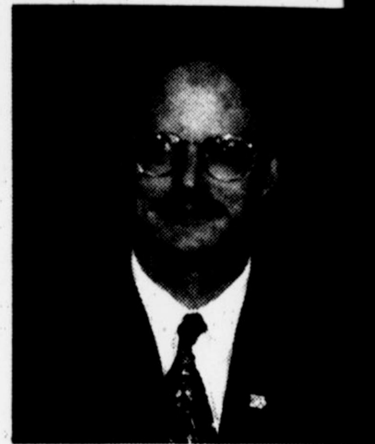
Evaluate other towns to determine new ways to improve our shopping strengths and weakness.

Unite all local retail areas to promote Hereford as regional retail center.

Assist in coordinating retail promotions in Deaf Smith County.

Work to improve the city with additional Christmas decorations.

Conduct seminars on various aspects for all local businesses.



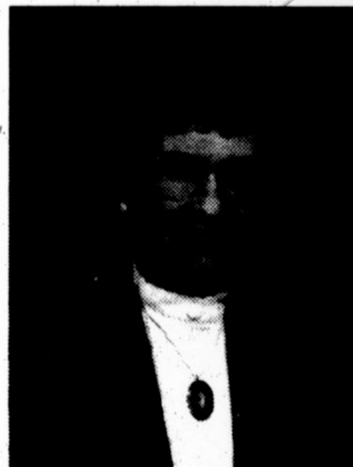
## **FUN BREAKFAST** **Co-Chairmen: John Stagner & Tom Simons**

Support and produce quarterly Fun Breakfast for Chamber members, guests and friends.

Coordinate the Breakfast not only as membership meetings, but also as

a means of promoting Hereford.

Use the Breakfast as a means of increasing involvement in community activities.



## **BUSINESS RETENTION** **Co-Chairmen:**

### **Sue Hyer & Frank SanMiquel**

Develop an active team to assist and work with local existing firms in an effort to offer advice or help with plans to expand or strengthen their business.

Create a network of support for local firms to encourage as much business with one another as possible.

Coordinate efforts in the community to work together with all entities involved in an industrial and economic development.

Maintain liaison with other industrial development agencies.

Continue efforts to participate in the High Ground of Texas program which is the cooperative effort of towns in our area to promote economic development.



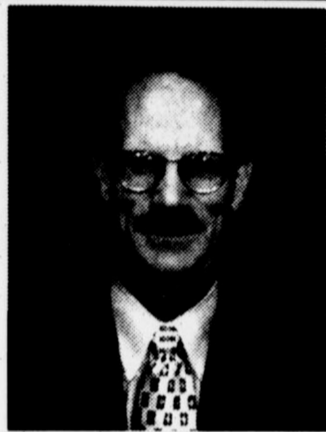
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## HUSTLERS

### Chairman: Mark Andrews

Continue efforts to visit local industry management and plan visits to headquarter office when possible.

Act as official host for Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce.

Work toward increasing the membership of the Hustler organization during 1999.

Assist in special projects for the community.

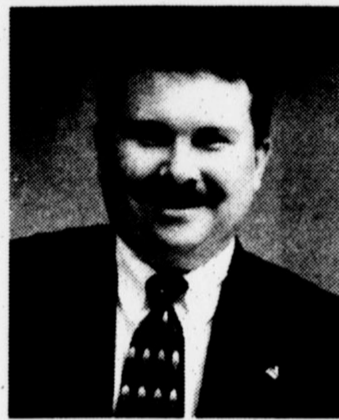
Visit all new business and professional offices as soon as possible.

Assist Membership Committee in sustained campaign for new members and help conduct membership drives.

Provide greeters for conventions and meetings held in Hereford.

Continue conducting "ribbon cuttings" and welcome for new business members in Hereford.

Promote and maintain a positive attitude in the community as we let people know that "Hereford Means Business."



## LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

### Chairman: Wade Easley

Create a new local awareness of the importance of the legislative system. Encourage more involvement in the candidate process by promoting a "Write Your Congressman" campaign.

Monitor local, state and national issues which have an effect on the local economy and recommend policy positions on legislative issues.

Conduct such activities as voter registration and "Get-Out-And-Vote" campaigns.

Represent the Chamber membership in communication with local, state and national officials in matters pertaining to legislation.

Provide an open forum for local candidates to discuss issues and answer questions.



## MEMBERSHIP

### Chairman: Sid Shaw

Seek to increase involvement of all present members in adding to membership by promoting a more active involvement of individuals.

Conduct a vigorous sustained campaign to enroll every reputable individual, firm or corporation in Deaf Smith County's program of quality growth.

Develop and implement a systematic program to contact prospects and to maintain communications and good relations with members.

Review annually the membership support of each member to identify those members whose business growth would indicate their ability to increase their fair share investment in the Chamber.



## SPORTS

### Chairman: Jerry Walker

Develop a complete recreational plan for the area and encourage city, school and county cooperation and involvement in programs.

Work on development of a Chamber of Commerce Sports Calendar to help promote all sports programs.

Coordinate all activities with the Hereford Booster Club whenever possible.

Assist other sports and recreational groups when aid is needed.

Provide assistance for any play-off games.

Sponsor the Annual Super Sports Weekends in March.

Coordinate the week of Jubilee activities, and listen to different ideas from people throughout the community.



## JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

### Chairman: Diane Krieg

This committee will be responsible for coordinating and implementing the July 4th Celebration for Hereford and Deaf Smith County.



## TOWN & COUNTRY JUBILEE

### Chairman: Dee Hamilton

Organize and oversee activities for the county's Town & Country Jubilee including Jubilee Junction on Saturday.



## FARMER'S MARKET

### Chairman: Denise Andrews

Coordinate the Farmer's Market which is sponsored by the Chamber. Work with any individual or group wishing to participate in the county's Farmer's Market.

Evaluate other markets for ways we can improve and make our Farmer's Market the very best.

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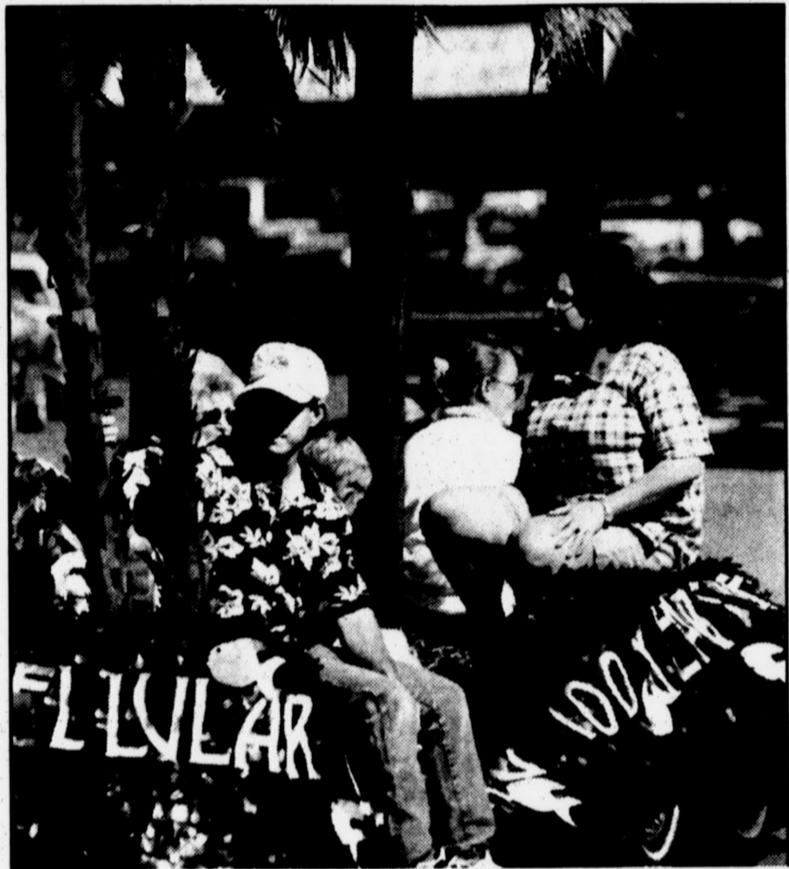
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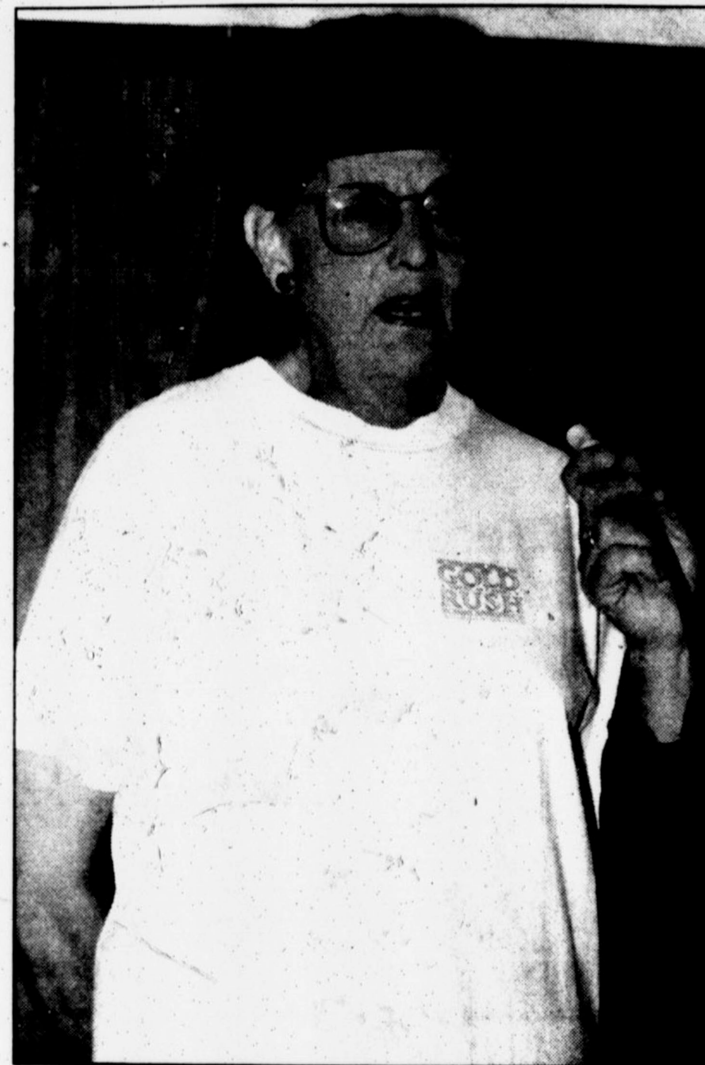
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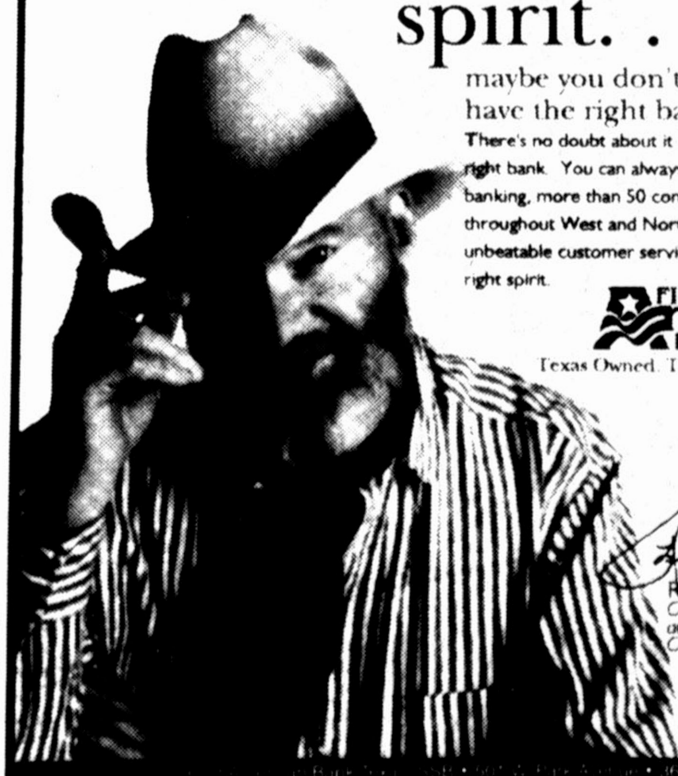


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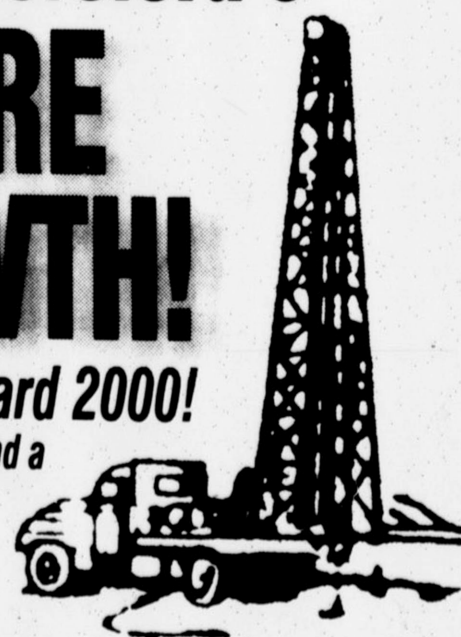
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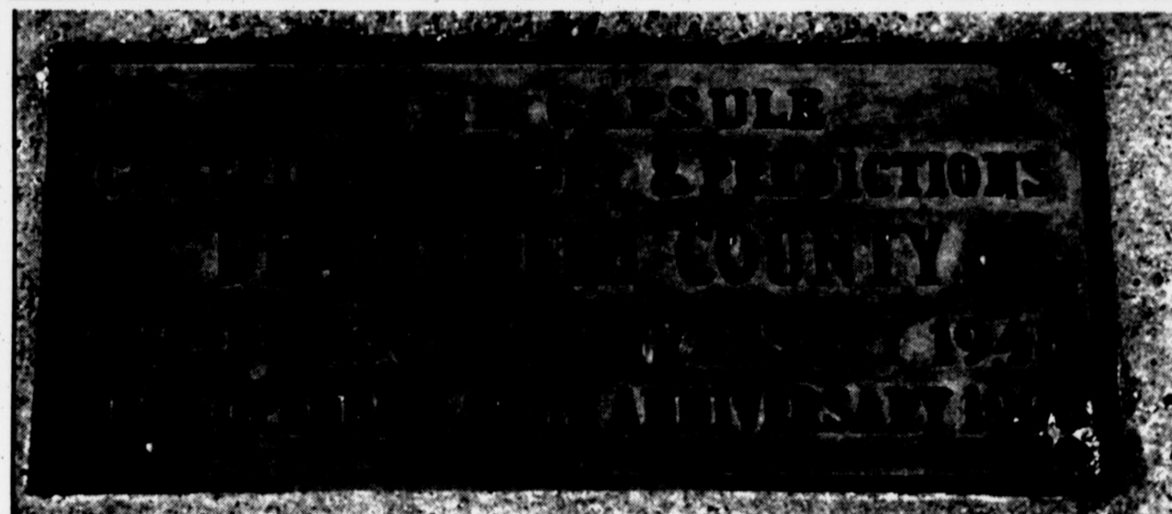
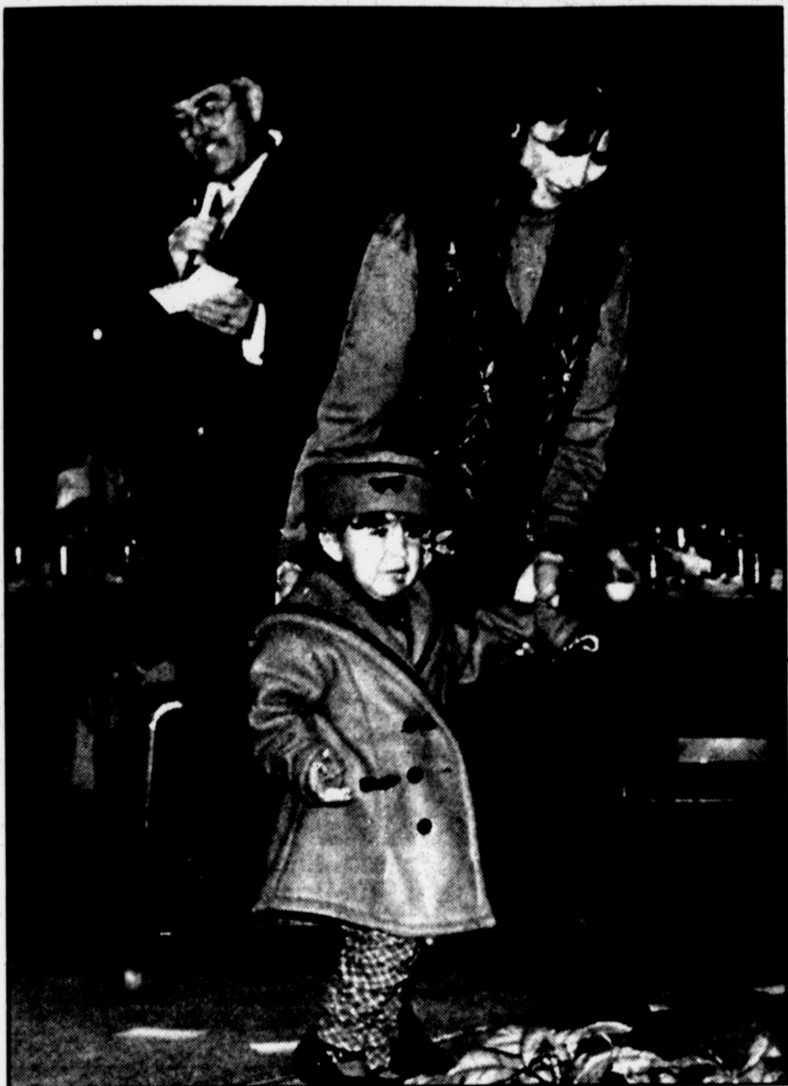

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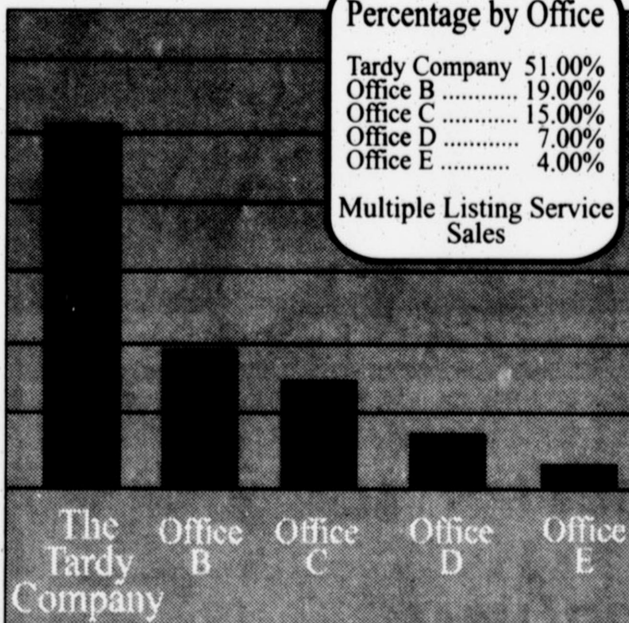
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1997--Elvira Enriquez	1983--Margaret Formby
1996--Rita Bell	1982--Carrell Ann Simmons
1995--Peggie Fox	1981--Leatrus Clark
1994--Linda Daniel	1980--Georgia Sparks
1993--Ruth Newsom	1979--Virginia Adams
1992--Kim Buckley	1978--Susie McGee
1991--Mildred Fuhrmann	1977--Sherry Hoover
1990--Betty Taylor	1976--Inez Albright
1989--Bettye Owen	1975--Lavon Nieman
1988--Donna West	1974--Wynell Robinson
1987--Betty Drake	1973--Violet Reinauer
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1996-Julia Laing	1981-Betty Gilbert
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1994-Peggie Fox	1979-Mary Herring
1993-Linda Daniels	1978-Margaret Formby
1992-Rita Bell	1977-Donna VanderZee
1991-Ruth Bell	1976-Georgia Sparks
1990-Marilyn Culpepper	1975-Lavon Nieman
1989-Donna West	1974-Lavon Nieman
1988-Sue Malamen	1973-Helen Lee
1987-Betty Taylor	1972-Kathryn Kester
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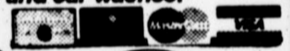
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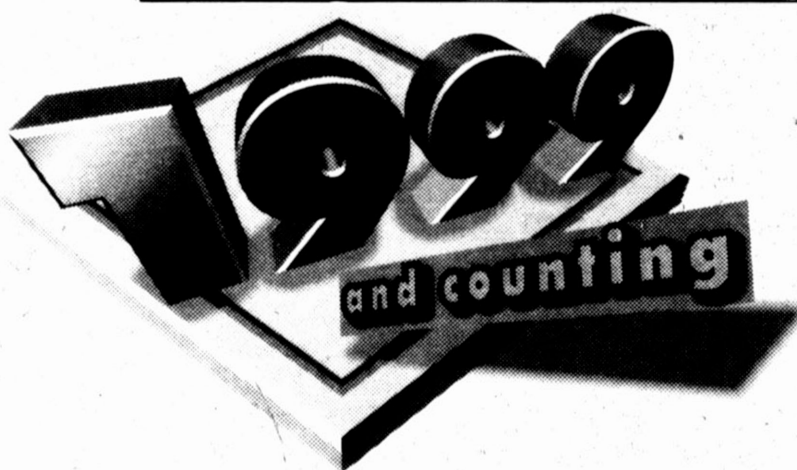
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