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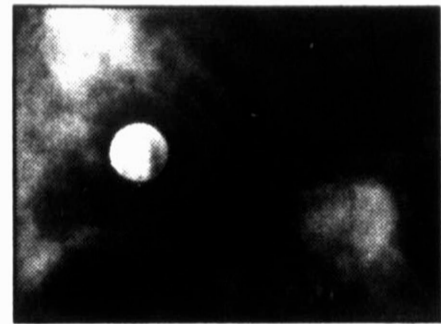
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## Thanks, Mother Nature

### Today's weather OUTLOOK



#### Partly cloudy skies

Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, lows in the mid-60s.

Wednesday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms, highs in the lower 90s.

#### Extended forecast

Thursday through Saturday, partly cloudy with a chance of mainly afternoon and evening thunderstorms, lows in the mid-60s, highs in lower 90s.

#### Hereford weather

Monday's high, 89; low, 67; no precipitation; year-to-date rainfall, 20.56 inches, according to KPAN Radio.

### Good news for city's residents means bad news for the city's bottom line

By Donald M. Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Grim-faced Hereford city commissioners began the tedious budget process Monday with the news the city is operating in the red.

Mayor Bob Josserand said the city will not meet the goal the commissioners established last year when they approved the budget for the current fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30.

Josserand said the commissioners had hoped to have a \$300,000 surplus at the end of Fiscal 1999. The surplus, he said, was to go into the General Fund reserve.

"Instead of having a \$300,000 (surplus) ... we're well on the way to having a significant deficit," Josserand said.

"Some things can be changed, but there are some that cannot and that's water and sewer revenue," Josserand said.

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Josserand said the city administration already has taken steps to lessen the impact of the lower water/sewer revenue by putting a hold on hiring and a variety of expenditures.

"We can't control the revenues, but we can control expenditures," Josserand said.

Going into the final two months



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loss of revenue has been offset by some reductions in spending to leave the \$204,664 shortfall.

Most of the increased spending -- \$85,967 -- has been for maintenance and chemicals.

The Hereford Municipal Airport accounted for \$21,962 in added expenses for work on the runways, while \$18,005 was spent for equipment maintenance at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

Also, the wetter spring and summer has seen burgeoning growth of weeds on the golf course, which has resulted in added expenditures of \$8,177 for weed-control chemicals.

The health department also accounted for \$25,625 in additional expenditures for equipment maintenance/repairs, while the Hereford Police Department has spent an additional \$10,015 for maintenance.

In the proposed budget for Fiscal 2000, City Manager Chester Nolen recommends a 4.5 percent pay in-

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## TNRCC to collect motor oil

Special to The Brand

Area residents will be able to dispose of empty plastic pesticide containers, used motor oil, oil filters, and lead acid batteries during this week's Texas Country Cleanup campaign.

The campaign, which gives residents an opportunity to dispose of the hazardous materials at no charge, is sponsored by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC).

Collections will be:

8 a.m.-noon Wednesday at the Vega County Barn, located on the north side of Interstate 40 and five blocks east of the Oldham County Courthouse. In addition to the pesticide containers, used motor oil and lead acid batteries, the TNRCC collectors will accept tires from individuals. There is a 50-tire limit, 24½-inch or less rim diameter.

8 a.m.-noon Thursday at the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn, located on Dairy Road off U.S. Highway 60 East in Hereford.

The area campaign is one of 40 one-day collection events throughout rural Texas, and is designed to offer

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### Fun in the sun -- and indoors, too

Customers wait patiently (left) for barbecue at the Boy Scout Pact 55 booth during Saturday's Town & Country Jubilee activities. Meanwhile, there were plenty of things to do inside the Hereford Community Center at the annual arts and crafts show. A wood toy drew the attention (from left, bottom left) of Emily Arroyos, T.J. Arroyos and Abbie Arroyos. The toy was made by Ray Whittington (below) of Tree House Crafts in Artesia, N.M., who checks out his handiwork. See more photographs, Pages A6 and A7.

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## Serrano asks for fund hike

By Donald M. Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Deaf Smith County commissioners on Monday were asked to provide more money to the county's juvenile probation office.

During the commissioners' budget workshop, chief juvenile probation officer Lou Serrano outlined his office's anticipated revenue and proposed spending.

The county commissioners approve an allocation of funds to the probation office; however, the commission has no control over how the funds are spent -- a situation that Serrano acknowledged could lead to conflicts.

Because he wanted to avoid any possible confrontations with the commissioners, as has occurred in some area counties, Serrano presented the budget breakdown and indicated he will provide monthly reports to the commissioners if they make such a request.

The county juvenile board is expected to approve the budget at its meeting Wednesday, Serrano said.

The juvenile probation office's anticipated revenue for the next fiscal year is \$498,114, with anticipated expenditures of \$473,459.

The bulk of the revenue, \$200,967, comes from two state funding sources. Other areas of anticipated revenue are the county, \$102,893; City of Hereford, \$30,000; Hereford Independent School District, \$30,000; Oldham County, \$7,254; Youth Home, \$35,000; federal reimbursements, \$89,000; income/fees/justice of peace fines, \$2,500; and interest, \$500.

Anticipated expenditures include \$224,280 for the juvenile probation office; \$109,091 for the youth home; and IV E program, \$140,088.

Because the commissioners were conducting a workshop session, no action was taken on allocation county funds to the juvenile probation office.

The commissioners have been conducting a series of workshops on the FY 2000 budget, which will go into effect Oct. 1.

In their regular session, the commissioners approved a request from the Hereford Economic Development Corp. to close portions of Commerce and Industrial streets, a strip of land/alley between Commerce and Industrial streets and between Canal and Rail avenues, all of the strip of land/alley between Industrial and Express streets and between Canal and Rail avenues, and all of Rail Avenue within the Hereford Industrial Park.

The request is in connection with



LOU SERRANO  
County juvenile probation officer

## HHS registration under way

Special to The Brand

Registration for Hereford High School students will be conducted until 4 p.m. today and 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday in the school library.

Students may pick up their schedules during this time, then take those schedules to the book room so that textbooks may be checked out.

Lunch applications and transportation sheets will also be available at the time of registration.

Fines must be paid and immunizations updated before registration.

Students are reminded they must adhere to the district dress code which prohibits baggy or sagging pants, short shorts and tank tops. Hats and caps may not be worn in the school building.

Students using backpacks are requested to utilize only those items which are clear or mesh. The clear backpacks have been specifically ordered by Alco which will have the units on sale. Mesh backpacks may be purchased from the school office at \$26 each. Students who cannot afford these items may fill out a financial assistance request form in the office.

The change in backpack styles is

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being requested in the cause of safety, according to Linda Lowe, principal. She said weapons, cigarettes, lighters and other prohibited items may be carried in backpacks and the clear/mesh units make this more difficult and contribute to the positive safety movement.

According to Mrs. Lowe, many school districts are moving to the clear/mesh backpacks and some school district do not allow any type of backpacks.

"Parents, we are asking your cooperation and support on this issue," Lowe said. For more information, contact Mrs. Lowe at 363-7620.

#### JUNIOR HIGH

Students who will be attending Hereford Junior High School classes for the first time in 1999-2000 are encouraged to have their photographs taken for identification tags Saturday at the Hereford Independent School District Administration Building, 601 N. 25 Mile Ave.

This will involve all seventh-grade

students and those eighth graders who are new to the campus.

Students must present their Social Security card before they may have their photograph taken.

District policy requires that the badges be worn at all times while attending class on the junior high and high school campuses.

Principal Lynn Luther has scheduled specific times for students to have their photograph taken.

Those times are:

- 9 to 10 a.m. for students whose last names begin with the letters A through D.
- 10 to 11 a.m. for students whose last names begin with the letters E through J.
- 11 a.m. to noon for students whose last names begin with the letters K through N.
- 1 to 2 p.m. for students whose last names begin with the letters O through R.
- 2 to 3 p.m. for students whose last names begin with the letters S through Z.

#### OPEN HOUSE

Several Hereford Independent School District campuses will hold an open house before school begins

Aug. 16. The special open house hours have been established to give students and their parents a chance to meet their new teacher.

The cafeteria manager at each school will also be on hand to meet with parents. She will be prepared to receive money for prepaid breakfasts and lunches, help fill out lunch applications and answer any questions or concerns related to the HISD Food Service Program.

This will also be the first opportunity for the students and parents to meet the new principal of their school. New principals are at Northwest Primary School, West Central Intermediate School and Hereford Junior High School.

Open house programs have been scheduled on the following dates:

#### FRIDAY Northwest Primary 4-6 p.m.

New Principal Greg Platt will be on hand to greet the parents and students. They will also have an opportunity to meet their teachers for the school year and other members of the staff.

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Local roundup

Walcott back-to-school cookout

All students in grades pre-K through sixth are invited to attend the annual Walcott back-to-school hamburger cookout Friday at 7 p.m.

Bus assignments will be made at this time and students may shop for school supplies at the store.

All parents report to the school hallway for registration forms and handbook information. Each family will be given a school handbook which includes school policies and calendars.

All kindergarten and new students will need to bring their birth certificates, immunization record, and social security card.

Students will not be allowed in classrooms at this time.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Aug. 6-9, 1999, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

- A 36-year-old man was arrested in the 200 block of west Ninth and charged with domestic assault.

- An 18-year-old man was arrested in the 600 block of Irving and charged with domestic assault.

- An 18-year-old woman was arrested in the 600 block of Irving and charged with domestic assault.

- A 24-year-old man was arrested in the 900 block of Lafayette and charged with driving with a suspended license.

- A 23-year-old man was arrested on South U.S. 385 and charged with a Randall County warrant.

- A 30-year-old woman was arrested and charged with a Deaf Smith County warrant.

- A 19-year-old man was arrested and charged with failure to identify to a police officer and violation of probation.

- A 25-year-old man was arrested and charged with giving a false name to a police officer.

Incidents

- False report to a police officer was reported in the 700 block of Avenue G.

- A minor in possession of alcohol was reported in the 500 block of North Avenue K.

- Domestic assault was reported in the 500 block of Avenue H.

- A runaway was reported in the 200 block of North Main.

- Lost property was reported in the 100 block of Avenue C.

- A junk vehicle was towed in the 300 block of Star.

- Theft was reported in the 400 block of Long.

- A welfare concern was reported in the 900 block of Sioux.

- A runaway was reported in the 300 block of Avenue E.

- A junk vehicle was towed in the 300 block of Avenue G.

- A 55-year-old woman was reported as a missing person.

- A criminal trespass was reported in the 400 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

- A 60 year-old man was attacked and bitten by a dog in the 200 block of Beach.

- A burglary of a residence was reported in the 600 block of Union.

- A burglary of a residence was reported in the 100 block of Brevard.

- A domestic disturbance was reported in the 900 block of Sioux. No assault was reported.

- A two-car accident was reported in the 500 block of East Fifth.

- A prowler was reported in the 200 block of Avenue A.

- Gasoline theft was reported at a convenience store in the 100 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.

- A domestic disturbance was reported at a residence in the 300 block of Elm.

- Gasoline theft was reported at a convenience store in the 2900 block of East First.

- A domestic disturbance was reported in the 700 block of North Miles.

- A bicycle was reported stolen in the 200 block of Avenue I.

- Two barbecue grills were stolen from the 700 block of Blevins.

- A 16-year-old girl reported being assaulted in the 300 block of South Texas.

- A terroristic threat was reported in the 900 block of Sioux.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

- A 44-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation.

- A 31-year-old woman was arrested on a surrender of surety on a Randall County charge.

Incidents

- A criminal trespass warning was issued.

FIRE DEPARTMENT August 6

- 12:06 p.m. - Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue one mile west on U.S. 60 near Caviness.

August 7

- 12:57 p.m. - Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue at U.S. 385 and FM 2843.

August 8

- 2:20 p.m. - Firefighters responded to a vehicle fire one mile east on FM 1057 on Road 10.

August 9

- 5:11 p.m. - Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue one mile west on U.S. 60 near Caviness.

Weapons expulsions decline

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite deadly shootings that have left the nation wondering what's wrong with America's schoolchildren, the number of students expelled for bringing guns and other weapons to school dropped nearly a third overall and by more than half in many states, the Education Department said today.

Fifty states, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories reported that 3,930 students were kicked out in the 1997-1998 year for bringing weapons to their public schools — 31 percent fewer than the 5,724 expulsions reported for 1996-97, the first year of the

report. There are about 52 million students in U.S. public schools.

The data, however, is based on disciplinary action only and does not tell the rate at which students carry firearms to school. The expulsions, mandatory under federal law, are not permanent and last up to a year.

The figures for some states in the report could be skewed because the 1996-97 data that they reported to the Education Department included all weapons-related incidents, not just firearms possession expulsions. Illinois figures for that school year, for example, included expulsions for BB

guns, sling shots and other weapons; Maryland was for number of incidents not expulsions; and Missouri included non-firearms such as brass knuckles, airguns and knives in its weapons expulsion count.

Despite the caveats, Education Secretary Richard W. Riley said the report, coupled with a recent study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicating a decline in fights and other violence at high schools, "shows that fewer young people are carrying guns or taking them into schools."

The nation was stunned last spring by the massacre in

Littleton, Colo., where two students stormed into Columbine High School with handguns and rifles, killing 12 classmates and a teacher before shooting themselves. A month later six students were wounded at a high school in Conyers, Ga. Those attacks followed fatal school-related shootings in recent years in Pearl, Miss., West Paducah, Ky., Jonesboro, Ark., Edinboro, Pa., and Springfield, Ore.

This spate of violence has led schools to enhance physical security, conduct more locker searches and generally increase the time and attention paid to student safety.

The Education Department report is designed to measure the progress of the 1994 Gun-Free Schools Act, which required states receiving federal education aid to pass their own laws ordering school districts to expel for one year any student who brings a firearm to school. All 50 states have passed such laws. The District of Columbia and five U.S. territories join the states in reporting the expulsions each year.

California and Texas were the only states that expelled 300 students or more in the 1997-98 school year.

Delaware, Oregon, and South Dakota had the highest concentration of expelled students; those states and Minnesota and Mississippi also had some of the highest increases in expulsions. South Dakota attributed its 600 percent increase in expulsions on more reports from its districts for the 1997-98 year. Wyoming and the U.S. territories of American Samoa, Guam and Northern Marianas didn't expel any students.

More of the weapons-related expulsions — 62 percent for 1997-98 compared with 58 percent for 1996-97 — were for bringing handguns to school. For the 1997-98 year, 7 percent of the expulsions involved rifles or shotguns, and 31 percent were for carrying some other type of firearm, such as a bomb, hand grenade or starter pistol.

Most of expulsions, 57 percent, were in high schools. Junior high schools, usually seventh and eighth grades, accounted for 33 percent of expulsions. The remaining 10 percent occurred in elementary schools that include kindergarten through sixth grade.

Since the federal law gives individual districts some room to shorten the expulsions for special cases, such as a diagnosed behavior problem, 44 percent of the 1997-98 expulsions were shortened to less than one year. But 62 percent of those shortened expulsions did not involve special education students.

Many more of the students who were expelled had no other place to go for their schooling. The survey found that 43 percent of students expelled under the law were referred to alternative programs — down from the 56 percent previously.



Wreck site -- For the second time in three days emergency personnel responded to a wreck one mile west on U.S. Highway 60 near Caviness Packing. A 1991 Chevy pickup driven by Alejandro Aguillon of Hereford was turning at Road H crossover and pulled in front of a 1999 Honda Civic driven by William Rivas of Hereford, shortly after 5 p.m. Monday. Two occupants of the Honda and the driver of the pickup were transported to Hereford Regional Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries.

Combs shares drought expertise

Northeastern states suffering the worst drought in more than a century are getting advice from a state that has had more than a little experience with unrelenting heat and rainless skies.

Texas Agricultural Commissioner Susan Combs sent letters last week to the heads of agriculture in 26 states including New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Rhode Island, offering to share her experience.

"Texas has experienced two major droughts in the past three years," Ms. Combs said. "During those times, we accumulated some valuable knowledge and expertise of (Texas Department of Agriculture) staff to assist farmers, ranch-

ers and rural communities." One of the programs Ms. Combs touts in her letter is the "Hay Hotline," which allowed Texas farmers to reach farmers by telephone in states that had extra hay.

"Drought teaches some important lessons," Ms. Combs said. "We want to put those lessons to good use to not only help our farmers and ranchers but also to provide valuable assistance to producers across the United States who are facing some difficult times."

Beverly Boyd, a spokeswoman for the department, said agricultural officials from Maryland almost immediately took Ms. Combs up on her offer.

"We got a call from an emergency drought official in Maryland saying, 'thank you very much' and asking for information," Mrs. Boyd said.

"We imagine that once many of these states assess their resources, they'll begin to respond."

While most areas of Texas have received plenty of rain this summer, the period from April to July was the driest in 105 years of recordkeeping for Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Rhode Island.

It was the second driest April-July on record for Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York and West Virginia. Among nearby states, it was the third driest on record for Maine.



Super's greetings -- Hereford Independent School District superintendent Beth Abernethy greeted new teachers and administrators Monday during a special orientation. Abernethy gave the employees her philosophy of education and urged them to do the best job possible as they have "The best job in the world."

Class action lawsuit filed against health agencies

TYLER, Texas (AP) — A federal lawsuit by seven children against heads of several state agencies seeks class-action status for all children under 21, eligible for Texas Medicaid, who have disabilities and chronic health problems requiring in-home health care.

Papers filed in the lawsuit Monday accuse commissioners of the Texas Departments of Health and Human Services and the commissioner of the state Health and Human Services Commission of adopting

policies and practices that result in systematic denial of in-home nursing services and equipment.

About 19,500 of the 1.4 million Texas children eligible for Medicaid also require daily, ongoing, medical treatments and monitoring, according to the lawsuit. But it contends that state officials have violated federal law by denying necessary care under Medicaid.

Defendants had not yet been served with the lawsuit Monday and did not comment,

according to the Tyler Morning Telegraph.

Plaintiffs are identified by first names and last initials only, with an 11-year-old boy from Tyler and a 10-year-old boy from Hallsville. Others range in age from 2 to 11 and live from McAllen to El Paso to Austin to Houston.

The lawsuit contends that plaintiffs are entitled to receive medically necessary in-home health care services, but that defendants altered or denied the services in spite of doctors' orders.

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Obituaries

ANTON F. "TONY" HUCKERT

Graveside services for Anton F. "Tony" Huckert, 83, of Hereford will be 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery with Deacon Jonny Cloud, of St. Anthony's Catholic Church and Doris Huckert, Chaplain of Hereford Care Center officiating. Rosary will be recited 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Rose Chapel of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home. Services are under the direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mr. Huckert died Monday at the Hereford Care Center. He was born Oct. 2, 1915, in Akron, Ohio, to Anton Huckert and Mary Alice Yegge.

He came to Deaf Smith County in 1950. He was a farmer and U.S. Army World War II veteran.

Survivors include one brother, Harold M. Huckert of Manhattan, Mont.; and two nephews.

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Cash Five  
The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:  
7-9-16-17-22

Pick 3  
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:  
5-9-1

Lotto Texas  
Two ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The tickets were worth an estimated \$10 million.

The tickets were sold in Houston and Emory.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were:

1-6-14-21-24-26.  
Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

Pick 3  
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:  
8-0-1



# LIFESTYLES

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## Introductions



**School time approaches**—As the first day of school draws near, a reception introduces the new superintendent to the community and new school employees are introduced to the district. Superintendent Beth Abernethy, second from left in top photo, talks to guests who attended a Sunday afternoon reception welcoming her to Hereford. Also in the line are, from left, husband Nathan, talking with Tierra Blanca principal Sharon Hodges, Mrs. Abernethy's father, J.B. Cohorn of Lamesa and son, Nathan, a ninth grader at Hereford High School. Deputy Superintendent Nena Veazey, at left in photo below, introduces teachers and administrators new to the district at a special orientation Monday morning. The new employees were told about the school district and taken on a day-long bus tour, visiting every campus and special areas of interest in the community.



## Water park on junkyard site attracts thousands of visitors

**SHERIDAN, Texas** — Sometimes, a town's water tower just doesn't quite say it all. In Sheridan, population 225, it says: "Deer Hunting Capital."

This is the kind of place where there's no cop because you rarely need one, where anybody you'd want to find is probably down at the Dairy D Lite, and where, at least one day last week, two dogs sunning themselves in the middle of West First Street couldn't be bothered to get out of the way of a passing car.

There's no movie theater here, no grocery store, no high school.

Officially, this isn't even a town.

Yet nearly every day this summer, hundreds of people have been flocking to this unincorporated Colorado County hamlet.

And they aren't here to hunt.

The big draw this summer, and half of last, is Splashway Family Waterpark, a four-acre park containing water slides called Hurricane Hill and The Python, a wave pool, a volleyball court and a winding "river."

Built along Highway 90A, next to a cattle pasture, on the grounds of a former junkyard, Splashway is proof of what a tiny town can do when it starts out to fix a crack in the local swimming pool.

"This is a can-do community," Wayne Dupre, a retired oil company worker and Sheridan booster, explained last week as he stood on the water park bridge he built himself. "We have a volunteer water system, a volunteer fire

department and ambulance.

"Did you see our pavilion? All volunteer," he added. "See this rope?" he said, pointing to a huge white braid that lines the sidewalk to the "beach."

"A guy who works on an oil rig brought that in. They have to pay someone to haul that away. He told them, 'Put it in my truck. I know a place that could use it.'"

Still, what ever made these people think they could lure water park enthusiasts off of Interstate 10 between Houston's Splash Town and Waterworld, and San Antonio's Six Flags Fiesta Texas? What made them believe their little water park could compete with the Schlitterbahn in New Braunfels, even if it is half the price?

"Well, we're doing it," said Carolyn Brisco. She and her husband, Jim, spearheaded the campaign that won a \$415,000 grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to build the park and formed a nonprofit corporation of community volunteers to get it up and running.

"People are coming from all over Texas, from as far away as Dallas and the Louisiana border," she said. "We're exceeding our projections for attendance and entry fees. We employ about 70 people. And the kids love it."

The whole thing started several years ago, when residents were trying to come up with a plan to replace the town's aging swimming pool, which had become a financial drain on the community and was cracked beyond repair.

Jim Brisco, a Sheridan na-

tive who moved his family back home after more than a dozen years as an Alaskan fisherman, inquired about getting a recreation grant. Building a full-fledged water park instead of a regular swimming pool, he discovered, could be financially feasible.

Parks and Wildlife officials were all for it. They awarded the group a grant under a program that usually provides money for community pools or baseball diamonds. The funds come from the state sales tax on sporting goods.

Sheridan residents held fish fries and took donations. The Lower Colorado River Authority, a state agency that manages water resources and electricity, chipped in \$125,000 toward other improvements in what is now a \$1 million, 18-acre recreational complex that includes a Little League field, picnic and camping areas and a community playground.

Even with the money, though, discussions in Sheridan brought a wave of detractors determined to pull the plug on the whole deal.

Letters were written. Names were called. And a petition drive pushed by Betty Layton, a local gift shop owner, and her daughter, Sharon, drew 134 signatures against Splashway.

The attraction would bring undesirables into the quiet

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## Ann Landers



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: By now, your readers have heard about the Year 2000 technology problem known as the Y2K bug, which is expected to cause wide-ranging computer problems on Jan. 1, 2000. The problem is the result of an encoded two-digit dating system, that prevents computers from distinguishing the year 2000 from the year 1900.

As you are one of the nation's most widely read and straight-talking advice columnists, we wanted to supply you with some of our advice on how the public can prepare for any potential Y2K-related problems. Please share these consumer tips with your readers. The more they understand about the problem, the better equipped they will be to deal with it. — Robert F. Bennett, Chairman, and Christopher J. Dodd, Vice-Chairman, U.S. Senate Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem.

**Dear Senators Bennett and Dodd:** Thank you for taking the time to help me educate my readers. The advice you have given is priceless, and I am extremely grateful. Here it is, folks.

1. **BE AN INFORMED CITIZEN.** Ask your utility companies about their Y2K status. Talk with local officials about what the police, fire, and emergency medical services have done to prepare. Post their non-911 di-

rect dial emergency numbers near your phone. Burglar alarms connected to computer networks at police stations and security companies should be tested.

2. **BE AN EDUCATED CONSUMER.** Check with your doctor, pharmacist, broker, grocer and others who provide you with valuable services about their preparations. Contact manufacturers of date-sensitive appliances to verify Y2K compliance.

3. **PRUDENCE IN THE PANTRY.** You should have on hand a flashlight and batteries, warm blankets and a couple of extra cans of food — items you are apt to have in your home already. If you take medication, consult your doctor if you are concerned about shipping delays.

4. **KEEP TRACK OF YOUR FINANCES.** The bank is still the safest place to keep your money, and most banks are well prepared. Save receipts and obtain paper copies of bank and loan statements and other financial transactions, especially deposit slips. Call your local bank to learn about their Y2K plans. Talk to your employer about vulnerabilities in the payroll system. Take Y2K readiness into account when making investments.

5. **TRAVEL SMART.** If you plan to travel, obtain written confirmation of your reservations directly from the airline as well as your travel agent. Factor possible delays into your travel plans. If you are traveling abroad, check the State Department for Y2K travel alerts.

6. **BEWARE OF SCAMS.** Con artists are already actively exploiting people's fears.

Be wary of goods and services touted as "Y2K guaranteed." Beware of anyone attempting to sell you unnecessary products such as massive food supplies, water treatment kits or other "Y2K personal preparedness" items. Never give out personal financial information over the phone unless you initiate the call and are sure the person you speak to is legitimate. Report any attempts to solicit this information to the police.

For more information, call 1-888-USA-4-Y2K (1-888-872-4925), or visit the Senate Y2K Committee web site at [www.senate.gov/7/8y2k](http://www.senate.gov/7/8y2k)

**Gem of the Day:** (Credit Theodore Hesburgh, former president of Notre Dame) "My basic principle is that you don't make decisions because they are easy; you don't make them because they are cheap; you don't make them because they are popular; you make them because they are right."

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## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Hereford Regional Medical Center will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by 0.40 percent. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on August 17, 1999 at 6:00 PM in the Board Room at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

FOR the proposal:

Dean Crofford  
Karen Solomon  
Ernest Flood  
Dr. Stephen Lawlis

Mark Collier  
Jeremy Grant  
Bobbi Owens

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:  
ABSENT

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$36,368	\$37,741
General exemptions available	\$0	\$0
<small>(amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)</small>		
Average taxable value	\$36,368	\$37,741
Tax rate (per \$100)	0.2142	0.2144
Tax	\$77.90	\$80.92

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$3.02 or 3.88 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$0.0002 per \$100 of taxable value or 0.09 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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**Jubilee fun**—Kids take advantage of willing adults to make the merry-go-round go round and round in Dameron Park Saturday during the Town and Country Jubilee.

## Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: You recently printed an article concerning bacon. The article said, "I roll up each strip, place them on a cookie sheet (cover — H) and pop them into the freezer." What does the PHRASE (cover — H) mean? — O.H. Thornall, Bakersfield, Calif.

Well, since I try to print reader letters just as they are written, there are times when something needs to be added to make the hint a little clearer. This comment from me will be in parentheses followed by an H, which stands for Heloise.

Concerning the hint you men-

tioned, what (cover — H) means is to cover the bacon so it won't get freezer burn. All clear? Please let me know if there is anything else. — Heloise

Here are two hints from Carol A. Saia of Abilene, Texas:

- ICED-TEASPOON**  
I find an iced-teaspoon very handy in the kitchen.
- 1) The long handle facilitates getting those olives in the bottom of the jar.
  - 2) It helps get cornstarch out of the box without spills.
  - 3) I love using it for eating ice

cream or other sticky food. Your hands are "stick"-free. It's also good for feeding little children who may be visiting.

Dear Heloise: Recently, I read a letter from someone who was frustrated with aerosol cans leaving rust stains on counters, so I felt compelled to offer this hint I have discovered.

To prevent my shaving-cream can from leaving a rust ring in the shower, I place the can inside of a "can cooler" made to keep beverages cold. It's a perfect fit! — R. Gregory, Indianapolis

## Water Park

From Page A3

retirement community, they argued. It would be noisy. Think of the traffic. We have no police protection, they said. And even if the park succeeded in bringing in enough visitors from the outside, they complained, who in town could afford to shell out water park admission prices?

"We're too far out in the sticks," Betty Layton said last week. "Sure, people will come one time and then what happens? Are you going to pay \$9 every time you want to take your kid swimming? Our point was, fix the swimming pool and take your kids swimming every day for a buck. They wouldn't listen."

"They called Jim the Pied Piper, said he was leading everyone astray," Carolyn Brisco said, laughing. How did the hometown boy, the town's first Eagle Scout, react? "He bought himself a pipe," she said.

Dupre dismissed the naysayers. About 15 percent of the town was against the park originally, he said, "but some people complain about any change you want to make. You could take a vote to get Jesus Christ to come here and they'd vote against it."

But as residents learned more about the park plan, the volunteer corps grew. People began hauling trash away from the proposed building site. They showed up with shovels to work on the landscaping. A group of senior citizens promised to keep everything watered.

"We let it be known that we wanted banana trees and I mean, bananas started appearing," Carolyn Brisco said. "One man dug up a bunch of plants from his yard, wrapped them all in paper and tied string around them, carried them over here like they were babies."

A local artist teamed up with Carolyn Brisco to design and paint sea murals on the wave pool walls. Other volunteers worked on a First Aid station, a gift shop and a concession stand. When a tornado touched down near the town, leaving pastures and the local cemetery littered with fallen trees, residents dragged them over to the park to serve as supports for a shaded picnic area.

"People were still skeptical, though," Carolyn Brisco said. "They'd drive by here when we were putting the trees up, and they're all stripped of leaves, and people

would call out, 'Those aren't gonna grow there, you know.' Of course we knew. We'd cemented them into the ground."

In late June of last year, Splashway's organizers spread the word with a few ads in area newspapers. The park was ready. Admission would be based on height: \$9 for those taller than 42 inches; \$7 for those shorter. Kids under 32 inches get in free. Park for nothing. Eat at the concession stand, or bring your own picnic in a cooler.

By the end of Splashway's first short season, 25,000 visitors had tried it out. Over the winter, the volunteers returned to touch up the paint, clean and plant.

This season, there are 100 visitors some days; more than 600 other days. The biggest day so far drew 1,200 people. Capacity is 2,000.

The park, which is completely accessible to the disabled, has provided a place for field trips and parties for area schools, church youth groups and 4-H clubs. A radio station and Coca-Cola recently sponsored a teen night of music, swimming and dancing.

Georgia Kutach, of Yoakum, first visited the park as a sponsor to her daughter Sloane's fourth-grade field trip in May.

"It's fun. It's clean. It's small. It's safe," she said. "You don't have to deal with traffic. You don't have to pay to park. You're not scared you're going to lose anybody. We went to Schlitterbahn and we had to wait in line sometimes 30 or 40 minutes. Here, there were 1,200 kids and the longest we waited was 7 minutes."

Last week she and 10-year-old Sloane returned, this time with Kutach's 5-year-old grandson, Cody.

"We're smaller. That's our appeal, especially for people with young children," Carolyn Brisco said. "You can see from one side to the other, and if you lose sight of anybody, we have 14 lifeguards on duty watching them."

Kids like Sloane Kutach enjoy the slides and the Criss-Cross Canal, which requires some skill to use an overhead rope for balance while walking across floating tires and a big log. But the most popular feature is the 3 1/2-foot-deep Mystery River, which starts in the wave pool and allows visitors to relax

on bright yellow and blue inner tubes and float through the park in a winding circle.

"There's something about bobbing that just soothes the soul," said Carolyn Brisco.

"The main topic of conversation in the river is gossip," added Dupre. "People just get in those tubes and hook themselves together with their toes and float and talk."

And while some visitors balk at the admission fees, many local residents, especially children, volunteered to pick up trash and pull weeds to get the park ready for the summer, earning free season passes. Adults who want to just walk the Mystery River for exercise can do so for free before and after the park's regular hours of 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"We especially encourage our senior citizens to come," Carolyn Brisco said. "Sometimes they don't like to come when there are a bunch of kids splashing around and making a lot of noise, so they can come before or after. It's good exercise and gets them out into the community. Some people who've had knee or hip surgery come and walk in the water. It's great therapy."

Splashway not only gave locals somewhere to go, it also gave them somewhere to work. Last year, the park's lifeguards were commended for their safety practices. The award letter from International Aquatic Safety Consultants is posted at the Dairy D Lite, right next to the "Hot check writers beware" sign.

Today, the local convenience store across the highway from the park advertises, "Get all your Splashway supplies here." Some people who signed the petition against the park now bring their children to swim. Some of their teenagers are lifeguards and concession stand workers. And Dupre said the community's wounds are healing.

"Is the park a success? Yes. Did it come at a price? Yes," he said. "But it's kind of like getting a whole carload of people to go to the picture show to see a drama. Some people will be disgruntled because they prefer a comedy or a love story. You please some and others are discontented."

Even Betty Layton concedes that the park appears to be thriving and admits her grandson has enjoyed it.

"Once it's here," she said, "you want it to succeed."

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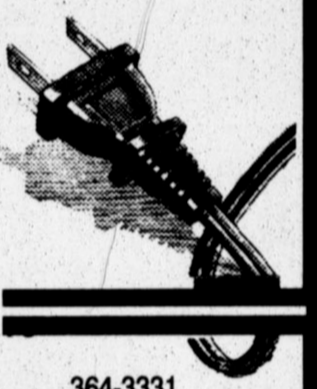
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## Browns kick out Cowboys in OT

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — The Cleveland Browns and their fans couldn't have dreamed of a sweeter ending to their three-year comeback.

Who says exhibition games don't matter?

Welcomed back to the NFL by the same fans who couldn't say goodbye to them in 1996, the Browns ushered in a new football era in Cleveland with a 20-17 overtime victory against the Dallas Cowboys in the Hall of Fame Game.

"This was everything I expected and more," said Cleveland defensive tackle Jerry Ball, one of three carryovers on the roster from the old Browns. "We battled. We went to overtime and we won. You can't get better than that. The Cleveland Browns came back a winner."

Just yards from the Hall of Fame's doors, and in the city where pro football was born, the new Cleveland Browns' rebirth became reality a little after 8 p.m. EST.

"Somebody pinch me, I must be dreaming," Bobby Johnson of Massillon yelled as the game kicked off.

Phil Dawson kicked a 20-yard field goal with 8:06 remaining in overtime for the Browns, who capped an emotional day with a victory.

The winning drive was set up by rookie cornerback Daylon McCutcheon's second interception.

Browns rookie quarterback Tim Couch dazzled in his pro debut. Couch, the No. 1 overall pick in April's college draft whom Cleveland hopes will eventually lead them to a Super Bowl title, looked like a seasoned pro in his first NFL game. He completed 11 of 17 passes for 137 yards and a touchdown.

After replacing starter Ty Detmer early in the second quarter, Couch overthrew his first attempt before complet-

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# Ride 'Em, Cowboy

## Wilson outduels Monty Lewis in junior roping

### From Staff Reports

One of the most anticipated Spicer Gripp Memorial Roping competitions featured two Hereford young men that battled it out for the Junior Match Roping competition.

Rodey Wilson compiled a combined time of 90.68 seconds on 6 head, outlasting Monty Lewis. Lewis scored a combined time of 118.68.

Brent Lewis was again successful at Spicer Gripp. In his professional roping match against Shawn Franklin, Lewis timed in at 123.52 on 10 head. Franklin timed in at 151.22 on 9 head.

Lewis took the Calf Roping title again. He combined a time of 43.22 on four head. He was under two seconds better than second-place finisher Shane Hatch (44.87).

Rusty Ridley took third with 44.89 and Casey Butuard took fourth at 45.23.

In the team roping category, Speed Williams and Rich Skelton took the first place title by timing in at 34.81. They overtook Hereford's Steve Purcella and Wayne Folmer. Both timed at 35.68.

Kevin Steward and Martin Lucero took third place at 36.41 and Daniel Green and Allen Bach timed in at 40.30, which placed them in fourth place.

Rocky Patterson was another success story as he took first place in the steer roping title. He timed in at 52.32 on four head.

Teel Woolman took second with a time of 55.58. Sid Howard clocked in at 57.21, good enough for third place.

Casey Everett finished fourth with a time of 72.30.



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**Ropin' Away** — Guy Yarbrough chases down a calf during Spicer Gripp Memorial Roping Action. He won the first round with a time of 9.94 in the calf roping competition. Yarbrough, who hails from Oak Springs, Tex., did not qualify for the final round. Brent Lewis of Eloy, Ariz., took the calf roping title for the third straight year at the Spicer Gripp Roping with a combined time of 43.22 seconds. Lewis also won his professional roping match against Shawn Franklin, timing in at 123.52 combined.

## Blue Jays blast Rangers out of the sky, 19-4

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Toronto Blue Jays scored so easily against Texas, they couldn't wait to get to the plate.

"On nights like these, you want to hurry up and get out there so you can get as many (at-bats) as you can," said Homer Bush, who had four hits, including a two-run homer, and drove in three runs in Toronto's 19-4 rout of the Rangers on Monday night. "You don't get many chances like this."

In fact, Toronto had never had this many hits. Nor had Texas allowed so many.

The Blue Jays' 25 hits set a team record for most in a game and broke a Texas record for most allowed in nine innings. The previous Toronto record was set on June 26, 1978, against Baltimore. Texas had allowed 24 hits twice.

Toronto also matched the AL high for hits this year by Baltimore on June 13 at Atlanta. Six Toronto players had

three or more hits, and three players scored at least three runs. Bush and Jacob Brumfield each had four.

The 19 runs were the most Toronto had ever scored against Texas. It was also the most allowed by the Rangers this season and one short of the team record.

"It was fun, you have to enjoy it," said Carlos Delgado, who hit his fifth home run in four games. "Next time, it could be the other way around."

Delgado's homer off Mike Morgan (12-7) in the first inning was his fifth in the series, matching a Texas record for most home runs by an opponent in a series. John Mayberry of Kansas City had five in a three-game series July 1-3, 1975.

It was Delgado's 31st of the season and 13th career homer against Texas, most ever by a Rangers opponent. Delgado finished the series with 11 hits and has hit .538 (14-26)

against the Rangers this season. He had three hits and four RBIs Monday.

Rangers reliever Doug Davis made his major league debut and was tagged for 10 runs and 11 hits in 2 1-3 innings. Shawn Green hit a three-run shot in the sixth on Davis' third pitch, and the rookie later gave up a three-run homer to Batista and a two-run drive by Bush.

"It was one of those nights that everything they hit was either smoked or topped," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "Everything they hit fell in."

Blue Jays starter Joey Hamilton (5-6) allowed three earned runs on five hits in five innings.

The Blue Jays won three of four against Texas, which had

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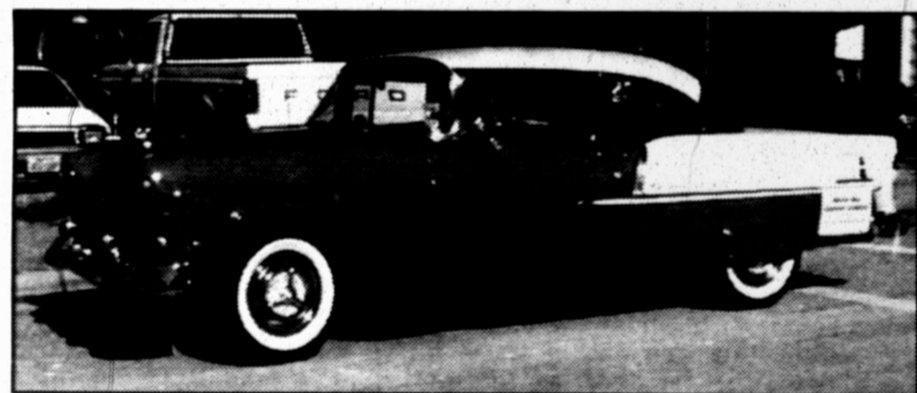
## Caravan of color and pageantry marks this year's Town & Country Jubilee parade



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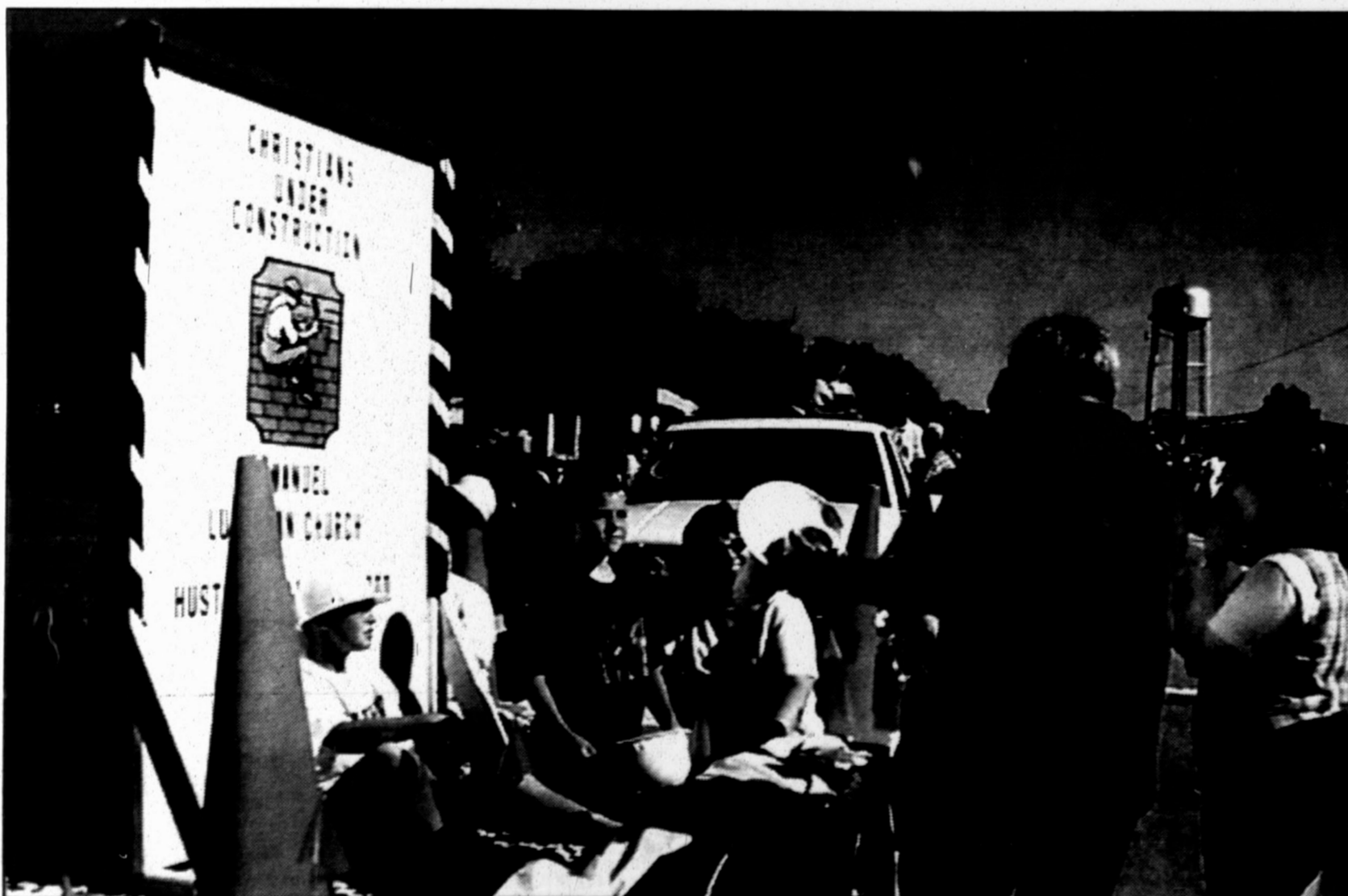
ANTIQUE CAR WINNER — 1955 Chevy belonging to Noel Esqueda



THEME WINNER — Deaf Smith Country 4-H Clubs



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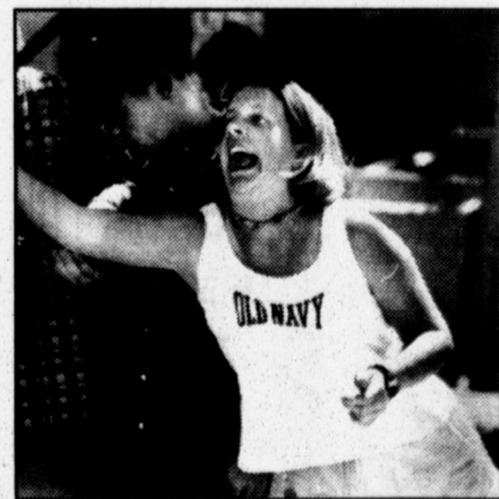


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## Annual Town and Country Jubilee is a celebration made for fun in the sun



**TOP** — Cowboys watch a roper going after a calf in the Spicer Gripp Memorial Roping contest. **FAR LEFT** — Kids test endurance in an inflated harness-pull chute. **LEFT** — Pitching coins at Hereford Lion's Club booth works best when you hold your mouth just right. **BELOW** — Rollerblades and hockey sticks take the asphalt at a miniature Amarillo Rattler hockey rink.





**TUESDAY AUGUST 10**

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	Nova	Liberty! The American Revolution	Charlie Rose	NewsHour						
Show-Funny	Show-Funny	Life, Camera	Life, Camera	Movie: Flood: A River's Rampage (1997) **	700 Club	Show-Funny				
News	Ent. Tonight	Just Shoot	3rd Rock	Just Shoot	Will & Grace	Dateline	News	(-35) Tonight Show		
Movie: The Little Mermaid **** G	(-25) Movie: The Thirteenth Year	Backstreet Boys	Zorro	Zorro	Walt Disney					
Roseanne	(-35) Major League Baseball Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves	(-35) Movie: Child's Play 2 (1990) Alex Vincent **								
News	Fortune	Spin City	Its Like	Dharma	Sports Night	NYPD Blue	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
News	Home Imp.	JAG	60 Minutes II	48 Hours	News	(-35) Late Show				
Mad	Simpsons	Guinness World Records	Fox Files	Simpsons	M*A*S*H	Frasier	Cops	Real TV		
Sportsctr.	Sportscentury: Greatest Coaches of the Century	Up Close	Sportscenter	Baseball						
Movie: Rudy (1993) Sean Astin, Ned Beatty. *** PG	Movie: Red Corner (1997) Richard Gere, Bai Ling. ** R	(-05) Movie: Ma Vie en Rose *** 1/2 R								
(-15) Movie: Excess Baggage Alicia Silverstone. PG-13	Movie: How Stella Got Her Groove Back ** R	Sex & City (-35) Arliss	Movie:							
(4-45) Movie: Unforgiven	Movie: The Pandora Project R	Movie: Lethal Weapon (1987) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover. Erotic	Movie:							
Movie: Queen Christina	Movie: Lost Horizon (1937) Ronald Colman, Jane Wyatt. ****	Movie: Here Comes Mr. Jordan (1941) ****								
Waltons	Roger Miller Remembered	NASCAR Rocks II	Dallas	Roger Miller						
Wild Discovery	Cybercopter	Big Tooth: Dead or Alive	FBI Files	Cybercopter	Big Tooth					
Law & Order	Biography	Investigative Reports	City Confidential	Law & Order	Biography					
Movie: A Mother's Revenge (1993) Lesley Ann Warren	Movie: Because Mommy Works (1994) **	Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls						
Sports	Last Word	Sports	Baseball	NFL Rookie Premiere	Goin' Deep	FOX Sports News	S: rts			
ER	Movie: Moonstruck (1987) Cher, Nicolas Cage. *** 1/2	Movie: White Palace (1990) Susan Sarandon. ***								
Doug	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Skeeter	I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	WKRP			
Xena: Warrior Princess	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: Legionnaire (1998) **								
Preciosa	Camila	Angela	Primer Impacto Noc.	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Mejor-Ritmo				
20th Century	Best Kept Secret: D-Day	Hitler's Henchmen	Earth Movers: The Power	Civil War Journal	D-Day					
Star Trek	Sliders	Movie: Meteorites! (1998) Tom Postel, Roxanne Hart.	Star Trek	Sliders						
Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Buffy the Vampire Slayer	Felicity	Major League Baseball Chicago White Sox at Seattle Mariners						

**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 11**

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Barney	Teletubbies	Sesame Street	Arthur	Zoboo	Barney	Teletubbies	Reading	Mr Rogers	Cooking	
Donkey	3 Friends	Station	CBN Special	700 Club	Dino Babies	Wiggles	Pee-wee	Bobby	Menace	
Today	Timon	Pooh	PB & J Otter	Out of Bx	Leeza	Sunset Beach	Judge Lane	News	Days-Lives	
Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Little House on the Prairie	Little House on the Prairie	Griffith	Griffith	Matlock	Hunter			
Good Morning America		Live - Regis & Kathie Lee				Howie Mandel	News			
This Morning		Ricki Lake	Price Is Right			Young and the Restless	News			
Magic Bus	Magic Bus	Garfield	Hercules	Griffith	Griffith	Benny Hill	Life in Word	Kenneth C. Robison	Angel	
Sportscenter	Sportscenter					Sportscenter	Tennis			
(6:00) Movie: *** Is Paris Burning?	(-45) Movie: All About Eve (1950) Bette Davis, Anne Baxter. ****	Movie: The Return of Tommy Tricker								
Movie: Tron Jeff Bridges. *** 1/2 PG	(-45) Movie: Kid Cop Jeremy Lelick. G	Men Black	Movie: The Stone Boy Robert Duval. PG							
Movie: SpaceCamp Kate Capshaw. *** 1/2 PG	Movie: Titanic (1997) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet. **** PG-13									
Movie: Bartt-Wimpole	Movie: Marie Antoinette (1938) Norma Shearer, Tyrone Power. ***	Movie: The Women (1939) Norma Shearer. *** 1/2								
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Am. Country	Woman's	Alice	McCoys	Dallas	Aleena's Creative Living	Waltons		
(5:00) Solar Eclipse	Interior Mot.	Start	Home Matters	Design			Interior Motives	Home		
Northern Exposure	Quincy	Equalizer	Murder, She Wrote	Simon & Simon	Law & Order					
Designing	Designing	Next Door	Attitudes	Party of Five	Chicago Hope	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie:			
Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Golf Scene	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Last Word	
CHiPs	Client	Movie: In the Heat of the Night	Movie: The Counterfeit Contessa (1994) Tea Leo							
CharlieB	Rugrats	Kipper	Blue's Clues	Little Bear	Franklin	Gullah	Busy World	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Franklin
(6:00) Videos	Foxworthy	Something	Boston	Ned-Stagey	Wings	Wings	Working	Naked Truth	Baywatch	
Video: Desperata America	Maite	Travesuras del Corazon	Luz Maria							
Year by Year	Real West	Civil War Journal	FBI-Story	Crimes	Weapons at War	Guns-West				
Incredible Hulk	Wonder Woman	Forever Knight	DarkShad	DarkShad	Twilight Z.	Beyond	LostSpace			
Histerial	Histerial	PinkyBrain	Animanics	Batman	Batman	Griffith	Matlock			

**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 11**

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Body Elec.	Paint!	Artists	Grw	Grow	Sociological	Sociological	Zoom	Science Guy	Wishbone	Arthur
Believe It	SpaceGoof	Life-Louie	Pee-wee	Oggy	Candy	3 Friends	Believe It	Addams	Partridge	Partridge
Days-Lives	Passions	Donny & Marie	Maury	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News				
Katie-Orbie	Amazing	Goof Troop	Timon	Aladdin	Going Wild!	Ready-Not-	GrowPains	Flash	GrowPains	Brotherly
Hunter	Movie: Perry Mason: Heartbroken Bride	Mama	Mama	Full House	Full House	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.			
Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Rosale O'Donnell	Brown	Judge Judy	News	ABC News			
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Sally	Hollywood	Texas	News	CBS News			
Angel	Forgive or Forget	People's Court	Rangers	Magician	Spider-Man	Addams	Nanny	Grace Under		
Tennis: ATP Championships	Horse	Racehorse	Hockey							
Movie: The Shrunken City PG	Movie: Dreamrider Matthew Genak. PG	Movie: The Karate Kid Part III Ralph Macchio. ** PG								
Back From Madness	Movie: Wrongfully Accused PG-13	Movie: Naked Gun 33 1/3	Movie: Music From							
(12-15) Movie: Outrageous Fortune R	Movie: Her Alibi Tom Selleck. ** PG	(-35) Movie: Tarzan and the Lost City *	Movie: Batman & Robin							
Movie: Escape (1940) Norma Shearer. ****	Movie: Her Cardboard Lover (1942) Norma Shearer. ** 1/2	Movie: Conquest (1937)								
Waltons	Studio	Woman's	Crook & Chase	McCoys	McCoys	Dukes of Hazzard	Alice			
Home	Design	Interior Motives	Great Chefs	Great Chefs	Gimme Shelter	New House	Fix-R-Line			
Law & Order	Northern Exposure	Quincy	Equalizer							
(12:00) Movie: A Father for Charlie	Intimate Portrait	Ellen	Ellen	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls			
Ultimate	Rugby T'n-Nations - New Zealand vs. South Africa	This is the PGA Tour	Baseball	720 Degrees	XSTV	Sports				
(12:00) Movie: ** The Money Pit (1986)	Kung Fu: Legend	L.A. Heat	In the Heat of the Night	Due South						
Kipper	Thornberrys	Thornberrys	Thornberrys	Thornberrys	Thornberrys	Thornberrys	You Afraid?	Brady	All That	Cat'sog
Baywatch	Movie: Double Dragon (1994) Robert Patrick. ** 1/2	Baywatch	USA High	Hercules-Jrmys.						
Pais	Una Luz en el Camino	Gordo	El Blablazo	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Fuera	Noticiero			
Guns-West	20th Century	Civil War Journal	FBI-Story	Crimes	Weapons at War	Guns-Tamed the West				
LostSpace	Sightings	Movie: Severed Ties (1992) Oliver Reed. ** 1/2	Sequester DSV	Quantum Leap						
News	Hawaii Five-0	Coach	Coach	Webster	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Blossom	Full House	Full House	

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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	American Experience	Charlie Rose	NewsHour							
Show-Funny	Show-Funny	Life, Camera	Life, Camera	Movie: Amazing Stories: The Movie IV (1991) ***	700 Club	Show-Funny				
News	Ent. Tonight	Dateline	Most Amazing Videos	Law & Order	News	(-35) Tonight Show				
Movie: Secret of NIMH 2	(-15) Movie: Johnny Tsunami Brandon Baker	Young Musicians	Zorro	Zorro	Walt Disney					
Roseanne	Roseanne	(-05) National Geographic Explorer	(-05) Movie: Sudden Impact (1983) Clint Eastwood. ** 1/2							
News	Fortune	Two Guys	Norm	Drew Carey	Two Guys	20/20	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
News	Home Imp.	Cosby	Movie: Dave (1993) Kevin Kline, Sigourney Weaver. ***				News	(-35) Late Show		
Mad	Simpsons	Movie: Fear (1996) Mark Wahlberg. **	Simpsons	M*A*S*H	Frasier	Cops	Real TV			
Sportsctr.	Major League Baseball Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves	Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced								
Movie: Crocodile Dundee Paul Hogan	Movie News	Movie: Bonanno: A Godfather's Story Martin Landau	Beggars and Choosers							
Movie: Music From	Arliss	Sex & City	Sopranos	Oz	Spawn	Movie: Wrongfully				
Movie: Batman & Robin	Movie: Black Out Brian Bosworth. ** 1/2 R	(-45) Movie: Under Siege Steven Seagal. *** R	Emmanuelle	Movie:						
(5:00) Movie: Conquest	Movie: Gigi (1958) Maurice Chevalier. ****	(-15) Movie: Belle Are Ringing (1960) Judy Holiday, Dean Martin. ***								
Waltons	Life of Steve Wariner	Workin' Man: A Tribute to Merle Haggard	Dallas	Dukes						
Wild Discovery	Warrior-Power	Sharks of the Deep Blue	Last Solar Eclipse	Warrior-Power	Sharks					
Law & Order	Biography	Investigative Reports	American Justice	Law & Order	Biography					
Movie: Don't Touch My Daughter (1991) **	Movie: Silent Hearts (1999) Scott Carr, John Shea	Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls						
FOX Sports	Major League Baseball Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves	Sports	FOX Sports News							
ER	Movie: Conan the Destroyer (1984) Grace Jones **	Crusade	PGA	Movie: Trespass (1992)						
Doug	Rugrats	Hey Arnold! Strange	Jeffersons	Jeffersons	Jeffersons	WKRP				
Xena: Warrior Princess	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: The Fury Within (1998) Ally Sheedy. **	New York Undercover	Stalkings						
Preciosa	Camila	Angela	El Super Blablazo	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Mejor-Ritmo				
20th Century	Hell's Angels	Hitler's Henchmen	Harley-Davidson	Great Ships	Sliders					
Star Trek	Sliders	Movie: Asteroid (1997) Annabella Sciorra. **	Star Trek	Sliders						
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**More Riding** — Hereford's Amy Northcutt competed in the Texas State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene. She finished in the Top 16 in the Hunter Under Saddle category.

## Countries battling for World Cup bid

England, Morocco and South Africa looked to be top three contenders

ZURICH, Switzerland (AP) — From heart-rending appeals to cold hard facts, South Africa, England and Morocco made their pitches to soccer's top officials Monday to try to play host to the 2006 World Cup.

Each desperately trying to sway the outcome, the countries pleaded their cases to FIFA president Sepp Blatter and general secretary Michel Zen Ruffinen at the federation's headquarters.

Presentations from Germany and Brazil were scheduled for Tuesday. The final choice will be made next summer.

A modest South African delegation kicked off the presentations, livening the ceremony with a scantily-clad Zulu warrior howling and dancing, before bid members delivered a passionate plea for the continent's first World Cup.

"Our country's isolation from international football denied generations of players the opportunity to parade their skill on the world stage," South Africa Football Association

president Molefi Oliphant said. "They understood the need for such sacrifice because it accelerated the collapse of apartheid and our return to the FIFA family."

"South Africa's time has come. This beautiful game is our game and this is our time."

While it quickly ran down the financial, technical, and infrastructure aspects of its bid package, the African nation spent extra time outlining planned security measures in an effort to overcome fears about crime and safety, particularly in cities like Johannesburg.

Opting for a more flamboyant campaign, England jetted a 135-strong corps, including flag-waving school children, Football Association members and soccer greats Bobby Charlton and Geoff Hurst.

Drawing attention to its modern facilities, financial stability and proven record as host of major international events, campaign director Alec McGivan called the English bid a "real bid based on real-

ity not promises."

England, hoping to host the event for the first time in 40 years, also called on history.

"England is the home of football. England gave birth to football," McGivan said.

Morocco, making its third bid, also hoped to be the first African nation to host the World Cup.

"There are two African bids," reminded Driss Benhima, the president of Morocco's 2006 bid committee. "We are representing first Africa, then the Arab nations."

South Africa is considered the front-runner, with Blatter repeatedly and openly announcing his support for the 2006 World Cup to go to the African continent, and with most believing that South Africa has a clear infrastructure advantage over Morocco.

Germany and England are its biggest rivals.

The 24-member FIFA executive committee will make its final vote on the 2006 host in July 2000.

## Braves continue to dominate Astros, 5-3

ATLANTA (AP) — The Atlanta Braves are back in first and Pascual Matos has his first major league hit.

His first home run will have to wait.

The rookie catcher was denied a three-run homer in the eighth inning Monday night when the umpires reversed a foul-pole call, but Matos shook off the disappointment to line a two-run single that gave the Braves a 5-3 victory over the Houston Astros.

"I saw it curve in front of the foul pole five or seven inches," Matos admitted. "When he called it fair, I told myself to run the bases fast or maybe he'll change his mind."

His play didn't work. After third-base umpire Larry Vanover signaled fair, the Astros immediately protested to the entire crew. After a brief discussion, they called Matos back from the dugout, saying the ball had indeed hooked foul.

Braves manager Bobby Cox, with a good view of the ball from the first-base dugout, came out to meet with the umpires, but didn't seriously argue about the decision.

"They're here to get it right," he said. "They got it right."

Matos was called up from Triple-A Richmond last weekend when Eddie Perez dropped his appeal of a four-game suspension. Though almost certain to go back to the minors within a week, Matos provided one of the most memorable moments of the season after entering the game when the Braves used a pinch-runner for Greg Myers.

"If I die tomorrow," Matos said, "that's OK."

The Braves, who spent the previous six days in second place, reclaimed the top spot in the NL East by a half-game over the New York Mets, who were routed 9-2 by Los Angeles. It was the

latest in the season that Atlanta has been out of first place since 1994.

Matos, who was 0-for-7 in his major league career, batted against Doug Henry (1-2) with one out in the eighth and runners at second and third in a 3-3 game.

After losing his homer, Matos returned to the field still feeling confident. He figured Henry wouldn't throw another fastball, so he looked for a breaking pitch.

When Matos saw a hanging slider, he lined a single past a diving Russ Johnson at third for his first hit in the majors. Ryan Klesko and Andruw Jones scored the tie-breaking runs.

"I was still happy," Matos said.

John Rocker worked the ninth for his 23rd save as Houston's lead in the NL Central dropped to two games over Cincinnati. The Astros still have the best record (69-45) in the league.

Braves starter John Smoltz had a chance to pick up his first win since June 18, despite giving up 11 hits in seven innings. Trailing 2-1, Atlanta rallied for two runs in the seventh on Gerald Williams' sacrifice fly and a two-out single by Chipper Jones.

But Rudy Seanez (6-1) couldn't hold the lead in the eighth. Carl Everett led off

with a double, tagged up and moved to third on a fly to right, then scored on Paul Bako's sacrifice fly.

Center fielder Andruw Jones made a strong throw to the plate, but it was slightly up the line and Everett was able to slip past Matos with a head-first slide.

Jones made a spectacular play in the third against Spieris to prevent a big Houston inning. Running toward the wall in the deepest part of Turner Field with his back to the plate, Jones jumped in the air and grabbed the liner a split-second before landing feet-first against the wall, his cleat prints embedded in the padding.

The Astros still managed to go ahead 1-0 on Everett's two-out single, but the lead would have been bigger if not for Jones' catch.

Ryan Klesko had a two-out RBI single in the bottom of the third against Chris Holt, whose record remains at 2-11 on a staff that could have three 20-game winners.

Smoltz, who has struggled most of the season with a sore elbow, experimented with a three-quarters motion rather than his customary overhand delivery.

"I don't have any pain," he said. "If I don't have any pain, I'll find a way to be successful."

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## BROWNS

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ing 10 straight. He and rookie Kevin Johnson hooked up for 24-yard scoring play in the second quarter, giving the Browns a 14-7 lead.

"It was good to get that first touchdown pass out of the way," Couch said. "Especially to get it to Kevin. Hopefully, that will be the first of many for us."

Jason Garrett threw two TD passes for Dallas, which rested most of its regulars after the first quarter. Troy Aikman finished 9-for-11 for 85 yards in limited action.

But whether they had won or lost, the night belonged to Cleveland and the Browns, whose first win also came in Chris Palmer's debut as an NFL head coach.

"It was emotional," Palmer said. "This is for the fans of Cleveland. They've suffered for three years."

Browns fans hadn't been able to cheer their beloved team since Dec. 17, 1995, the final game at Cleveland Stadium after former owner Art Modell announced he was moving his team to Baltimore.

But once Modell left and the shock wore off, Cleveland fought back and convinced the NFL to bring a team back in 1999. The league also agreed to keep the new team's nickname, colors and history the same.

To showcase the Browns' return, the league switched this year's Hall of Fame Game from Saturday to Monday night so a national TV audience could see the new Browns' debut.

"It's a proud night for the NFL and Cleveland," commis-

sioner Paul Tagliabue said moments before kickoff. "Now the tradition and history can go on for another century."

Clad in brown and orange, some wearing jerseys with names like Kosar, Brown and Kelly stitched on their backs, Browns fans arrived early to tailgate in parking lots and on tree-lined side streets before walking to Fawcett Stadium, which was packed with a record 25,156 fans.

"We've waited three years for tonight," said Scott Moot, of Canton. "Nothing matters now, our Browns are back."

Even the Cowboys were happy to see the old orange helmets again.

"It's good to see the Dawg Pound back in the NFL," Aikman said.

The Browns had just 11 months to assemble a coaching staff and team, and before the game Cleveland president Carmen Policy, who won five Super Bowls in San Francisco, said he couldn't remember being as nervous.

"I think it's important we look like a professional team," Policy said. "I'd like to come out of tonight with the impression that we're not an expansion team on the field."

At times, the Browns looked like any first-year franchise. They committed three straight penalties on a drive in the first quarter, and were guilty of 11 infractions overall. Dallas was even sloppier with 17 penalties.

But Cleveland's defense, expected to carry the team, forced four turnovers. Corey Fuller picked off Aikman in the back of the end zone to stop one drive.

Capitalizing on an early fumble by Aikman, the Browns scored on a 1-yard dive by Terry Kirby in the first quarter to take a 7-0 lead. Seconds before Kirby went in, a large dog bone bounced off the turf in the end zone, a reminder of the Browns' days playing in front of the Dawg Pound at Cleveland Stadium.

Dallas tied it in the second quarter with Garrett throwing a 35-yard TD pass to MarTay Jenkins.

After Couch's scoring toss to Johnson, the Cowboys again tied it with 1:54 left before halftime on Garrett's 24-yard scoring pass to Jeff Ogden.

Richie Cunningham's 49-yard field goal with three seconds left in the half put Dallas ahead 17-14.

Dawson kicked a 23-yarder in the third to tie it 17-17.

Danny Kight missed a 46-yard field goal attempt as time expired in regulation for the Browns.

## RANGERS

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been 17-3 since the All-Star break. Toronto scored 32 runs in the series.

"Tonight's game was important for us," said Green, who had three hits and drove in four runs. "To win like this, especially after winning two of the first three, is a huge confidence-booster for us."

Ivan Rodriguez hit his 23rd homer in the Texas first. Rafael Palmeiro hit his 28th homer to lead off the third inning.



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County

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SUNDAY
Aikman Primary
3-4:30 p.m.

Parents and students will meet their teachers and supplies may be placed in the rooms.

Bluebonnet Intermediate
3-4:30 p.m.
Students and parents may meet the teachers and students may place school supplies in their rooms.

Shirley Intermediate
3-4 p.m.
Students may bring their parents to meet their teachers for the coming year, and also meet the staff.

Stanton Learning Center
2-3 p.m.
Refreshments will be served when students and parents visit the school to meet their teachers and staff for the coming year.

Parents and students will meet their teachers and supplies may be placed in the rooms.

Parents and students are invited to attend this open house to meet their new teachers and other members of the staff.

School supplies for the coming year may be placed in the students' assigned rooms. Refreshments will be served as visitors leave the building.

West Central
3-4:30 p.m.
New Principal Stacy Bixler and Assistant Principal Karen Roberts will be on hand to

Individual schedules will be handed out at this time.

2 p.m.: Orientation meeting in gymnasium. New Principal Charles Lynn Luther will be introduced to visitors at this time.

2:30 p.m.: Meet your child's team

3-4 p.m.: Run your child's schedule. This is especially important for seventh graders and new eighth graders who are not familiar with the location of the various classrooms and other facilities on the junior high school campus.

Recycle City

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City

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crease for most city employees.

Nolen also is recommending a tax rate of 41 cents per \$100 assessed valuation, unchanged from the year that ends Sept. 30. However, because of an increase in the total assessed valuation of property in Hereford, the rate represents a 2.47 percent increase over the effective tax rate of 39.8 cents per \$100 valuation.

The effective tax rate is the rate required to generate the same amount of revenue as in the previous year. An earlier estimate put the increase at 6.22 percent.

Because the proposed rate represents an increase over the effective tax rate, the city will have to conduct a public hearing.

The proposed budget that the commissioners projects general fund revenue for the next fiscal year will be

\$4,813,573, an increase of about \$87,000 from the FY 1999 budget.

Of the revenue, the city expects to collect slightly more than \$1 million in ad valorem taxes; \$1.2 million in garbage billing; \$700,000 in sales tax/mixed drink tax; and \$700,000 from operating transfers, primarily from the water/sewer fund.

On the expenditure side, Nolen recommends spending \$4,780,583, which would leave a \$32,990 surplus when the year ends Sept. 30, 2000.

The water and sewer fund is expected to have \$2,781,000 in revenues with expenditures of \$2,428,332, leaving a surplus of \$352,668.

The total revenue for Fiscal 2000 is projected at \$7,594,573 and total expenditures are estimated to be \$7,208,915, leaving a year-end balance of \$385,658.

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# MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS

Don Taylor

## Learning from or living with failure: It's your choice

(Last of a two-part series)

Last week I discussed failure and told you that you have a choice when you fail. You can learn from your mistakes and go on to bigger and better things or, you can decide to wallow in your failures and drown in your own self-pity.

This column is devoted to those of you who have or are failing, but choose not to be a failure. You are ready to put your failures behind you and get on with your life.

### Failure beaters

• **Don't quit trying.** I'm not sure I can give you a sure-fire formula for success, but I can give you the guaranteed formula: quit trying. The great writer and speaker Og Mandino, said, "So long as there is breath in me, that long will I persist. For now I know one of the greatest principles of success; if I persist long enough I will win." Very often those who achieve great success are those who tried one more time after others gave up.

• **Don't make excuses.** Those who fail and try to find someone to blame are always too busy to see the lesson of the game. Don't seek an excuse; reach out for a remedy, seek a solution and look for the lesson.

• **Don't look back.** Reliving past mistakes won't change the outcome. What's done is done. Don't focus on past failures or you will sink in the mire of self-doubt.

No one can make much forward progress if they keep looking back. Usually, someone who looks back a lot runs into more trouble up ahead. So let your failures go, and focus on your future.

• **Don't pull in, reach out.** Let those you love who are close to you help you absorb the pain of failures. Use them to help you cope with the adversity and get beyond it. Let them help you see the opportunity failure always presents.

I know a professional speaker who was downsized from his job of nearly 25 years. His family encouraged him to pursue his dream of professional speaking. He did, and today he commands daily speaking fees higher than his previous monthly salary.

• **Learn from past mistakes.** Failure isn't worthless unless we let the lesson slip away. I still fail. When I don't I ask myself two questions. First, how did this situation occur? And, second, what is the lesson I'm supposed to learn from it?

A few years ago I hired an employee who turned out to be a complete and terrible failure at the job. After I convinced the person involved what we weren't going to work this one out, I asked myself just how this happened. In analyzing the problem, I found that I hadn't taken the time to thoroughly investigate the employee's background. We needed help, right now and I had taken a stranger's word as truth.

What I learned was the importance of taking time to find the right person for the job. I learned to schedule more than one interview, carefully check references - not just the ones on the resume - and to test for "claimed" skills. I may make other hiring mistakes, but I won't repeat that one.

### • Think success.

Focus on your future, if there's failure in your past.

Focus on success, and the failure will not last.

You can be a winner, you don't have to lose.

So choose to be successful, because you have the right to choose.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Mart's*. You can reach him at *Minding Your Own Business*, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

## HEREFORD JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

### Principal's letter

To the Parents and Students of Hereford Junior High School:

As we approach the beginning of a new school year, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of you and to tell all of you how excited I am to be your new junior high principal.

Hereford Junior High's reputation and success rests, in large measure, on parental concern and involvement. At Hereford Junior High our goal is to educate each child to be the best he or she can be, to provide them with skills relevant to the community's and this country's needs, and to challenge them to a degree that will prompt a love of learning. This is no easy task. We need your cooperation and understanding if this year is to provide a profitable and satisfying experience for your child. Hereford Junior High has and will continue to stress academic excellence. In this there is no compromise or change.

Hereford Junior High can take pride in its highly qualified and dedicated faculty. These educators welcome your concern, and they view education as a partnership between home and school. If there is anything we can do to help your child, please do not hesitate to call. The unvoiced problem cannot be resolved, as the missed opportunity rarely offers itself again. Our goal remains to provide the best education possible for each student.

We trust that your experience with our school will enhance your faith in public education and that you will find in this school and education for your children that is worthy of your love and concern for them.

Sincerely,

C. Lynn Luther, Principal

(Editor's Note: Charles Lynn Luther became the new principal of Hereford Junior High this summer, moving from an assistant principal's position at Alvin, Texas. He and his wife, Donna, have a son and daughter.)

## HEREFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 1999-2000 Calendar

- August**
- 9 - New Teacher In Service
- 10 - First Day all staff
- 11 - 13 - Staff Development
- 16 - First Day of Classes
- September**
- 6 - Labor Day Holiday
- 24 - End First Six Weeks
- October**
- 11 - Columbus Day Holiday
- November**
- 5 - End Second Six Weeks
- 24-26 - Thanksgiving Holiday
- December**
- 23-31 - Christmas/New Year Holiday
- January**
- 1-4 - Christmas/New Year Holiday
- 7 - End Third Six Weeks
- 17 - Staff Development/Student Holiday
- February**
- 18 - End Fourth Six Weeks
- 22 - TAAS Exit Level Writing Test
- 22 - TAAS Writing, Grades 4 & 8
- 22 - TAAS Writing Spanish Version, Grade 4
- 23 - TAAS Exit Level Mathematics
- 23 - TEAMS Mathematics
- 24 - TAAS Exit Level Reading
- 24 - TEAMS English Language Arts
- 28-29 - Staff Development/Student Holiday
- March**
- 1-3 - Winter Break Holiday
- 11 - TAAS Mathematics, Grades 3 & 8
- 11 - TAAS Mathematics Spanish Version, Grades 3 & 6
- 12 - TAAS Reading, Grades 3 & 8
- 12 - TAAS Reading Spanish Version, Grades 3 & 6
- 13 - TAAS Social Studies, Grade 8
- 14 - TAAS Science, Grade 8
- April**
- 7 - End Fifth Six Weeks
- 20-26 - Spring Break
- May**
- 26 - Last Day of Classes

Snow Makeup Days (if needed) - March 1; April 26

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## Lott slides around finance rules

WASHINGTON (AP) — Over the past year, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott has raised tens of thousands of dollars in donations from wealthy Americans and corporations that exceeded the strict limits imposed by federal law.

Lott collected the money legally by setting up a state political committee in Virginia, which imposes no limits on the size or source of donations.

The list of givers reads like a Who's Who of companies with business before the Senate.

For instance, R.J. Reynolds and U.S. Tobacco each gave Lott's Virginia committee \$10,000 last year while the Senate was debating proposed increases in the cigarette taxes.

Lott joins a growing list of congressional leaders who

are using nonfederal entities to raise money that otherwise would be prohibited by Watergate-era campaign finance laws. Those laws banned corporate donations and limited individuals to \$2,000 per candidate per election.

The national political parties have exploited similar loopholes for state politics to raise six-figure donations from wealthy individuals, labor unions and companies.

At least a dozen lawmakers are raising money outside federal limits, including Lott's counterpart, Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle; House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land,

Texas; and Rep. Patrick Kennedy, D-R.I., chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

"This is a dramatic and pernicious expansion of the soft money system," said Donald Simon of Common Cause, a group supporting changes campaign finance.

Lott set up his political committee in Richmond, Va., on Oct. 9, 1997, and has reported a total of \$197,373 in donations so far. He has spent \$188,130, including \$20,000 to the Mississippi Republican Party

and \$5,000 to former Sen. Dirk Kempthorne's successful race for governor of Idaho.

The committee is addition to Lott's own campaign committee that collects donations

for his Senate re-election, and a separate federal political action committee he controls. Those entities are bound by the federal contribution limits.

But his Virginia committee boasts numerous donations that Lott otherwise would have been forbidden to collect under federal control. Some examples:

✓ Lott took \$5,000 from the law firm headed by former Republican National Committee Chairman Haley Barbour, whose clients include tobacco giant Philip Morris. Law firms cannot give to federal candidates, but face no such restriction in Virginia.

✓ Venture capitalist L. John Doerr gave \$20,000 — 10 times more than he could give to Lott's re-election campaign. Doerr is a founder of a group that represents the high-technology industry.



SEN. TRENT LOTT  
Uses loophole

## SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

### West Central Intermediate Fourth Grade

- 1 - 16 county crayons
- 1 - Elmer's 4 oz glue
- 1 - 5 inch sharp scissors
- 12 - #2 pencils
- 1 - 12 count map pencils
- 2 - 300 count filler paper
- 1 - 12 inch plastic ruler
- 1 - bevel pink eraser
- 1 - pencil zipper bag
- 2 - 100 county facial tissue
- 6 - folders with pickets and brads
- 1 - 70 count WB notebook
- 1 - yellow highlighter

### Fifth Grade

- 1 - 24 count crayons
- 1 - 7 5/8 ounce Elmer's Glue
- 2 - Elmer's small glue sticks
- 10 - #2 pencils
- 1 - 5 inch sharp scissors
- 2 - medium red pens
- 2 - 300 count filler paper
- 1 - 12 count map pencils
- 3 - 100 count facial tissues
- 1 - 12 inch plastic ruler
- 1 - 100 count WB notebook, perforated
- 1 - 5 tab index dividers
- 2 - 50 count 9 X 12 construction paper
- 1 - 50 count 12 X 18 construction paper
- 5 - pocket folders, assorted
- 1 - poly 1 inch binder
- 1 - protractor, 6 inch with ruler
- 1 - yellow highlighter
- 1 - black marker

### Sixth Grade

- 1 - 24 count crayons
- 1 - 7 5/8 ounce Elmer's Glue
- 1 - 5 inch sharp scissors
- 4 - #2 pencils
- 2 - medium red pens
- 2 - 300 count filler paper
- 1 - 12 count map pencils
- 1 - pink bevel eraser
- 2 - 100 count facial tissue
- 1 - 12 inch plastic ruler
- 2 - 50 count 9 X 12 construction paper
- 1 - CR classic broad markers
- 2 - pocket folders, assorted
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COMMUNITIES  
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The Death Tax is a leading cause of why family farms and businesses go under - leading to thousands of layoffs across America.<sup>2</sup>

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**SAY IT'S BAD**

For every \$1 taken from a family owned business to pay Estate Taxes, another \$1 is wasted in order to prepare and comply with the tax.<sup>3</sup>

BUSINESSES  
**SAY IT'S BAD**

96% of manufacturing firms and 90% of minority-owned firms feel that the Estate Tax impedes their long-term business growth.<sup>4</sup>

CONGRESS  
**SAYS IT'S BAD**

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The Death Tax is a bankrupt idea.

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3 Aaron Henry and Alicia H. Munnell "Reassessing the Role for Wealth Transfer Taxes" National Tax Journal 45, No. 2 (June 1992): 119-143  
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