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### Today's weather OUTLOOK

### Mostly clear skies

Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the lower 60s.

Friday, partly cloudy, highs around 90. Friday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, lows in the mid-60s.

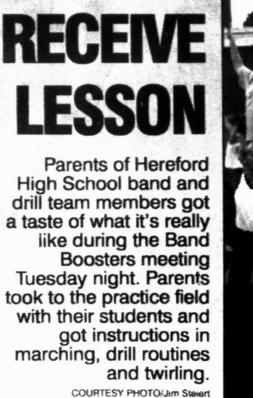


#### **Extended forecast** Saturday through Monday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and nighttime thunderstorms, highs in the upper 80s to lower 90s,

lows in the mid-60s. Hereford weather High, 94; low, 65; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

# U.S. trade deficit hits new level

WASHINGTON (AP)





HISD schools improving

Hereford schools continued to show improvement, according to figures released this week by the Texas Education Agency (TEA). Six of eight campuses earned recognized or higher status in the latest rankings of all public schools in the state.

Aikman Primary led Hereford Independent School District to its highest rating ever from TEA by obtaining an exemplary rating. Individual schools and school districts in Texas are rated a ording to several factors including attendance, drop out rate and student scores on the Texas

obtained the highest performance showed 96.1 percent of all students ranking by the agency which over- were in the classroom daily and sees public schools. This also

> Aikman's exemplary rating marks the first time an HISD school has obtained the highest performance ranking by the agency which oversees public schools.

the percent of students mastering the TAAS.

On the Spring 1999 TAAS results, the district had 85.7 percent of students passing recognized status with Hereford Jun- the reading portion of the tests, a

increases in

gain on Math testing with 92.1 percent of students mastering this portion of the test. The third portion of the test, writing, showed a 7.9 percent increase with 88.5 percent of tested students mastering the exam. Individual campus gains include:

· Aikman had an attendance of 97.2 percent; a 95.2 percent passing rate on the reading, up eight percent; and 92.5 percent passing rate on the Math test, up five percent. The reading average was the highest in the district, and the 97.2 percent attendance rate tied with West Cen-

Bluebonnet showed an attendance

tral for best in this category

trade deficit mushroomed to an alltime monthly high in June as a flood of foreign cars, computers and clothing sent imports to a record level, overwhelming a small rise in exports.

The Commerce Department reported today that the trade deficit ballooned to \$24.6 billion in June a 16.3 percent increase from the \$21.2 billion deficit in May.

Imports of goods and services rose a hefty 3.9 percent in June to a record \$103 billion. At the same time, U.S. exports managed a 0.5 percent gain to \$78.3 billion, only the second increase this year.

Through the first half of this year, the U.S. trade deficit was running at an annual rate of \$236 billion - 44 percent above last year's \$164.3 billion, which had been a record high.

The Labor Department reported today that the number of Americans filing new claims for unemployment benefits rose for a third consecutive week, climbing to 287.000, an increase of 4,000

Economists had been expecting an even bigger rise. They view any number below 300,000 as an indication that the labor market is extremely tight. The government reported last week that the unemployment rate in June was 4.3 percent.

The trade deficit set records in five of the last six months.

Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test.

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rating with an attendance rate that from 1998 to 1999 was a 9.3 percent

gain of 5.2 percent over the same test scores in the spring of 1998. The largest district-wide increase

BRAND/Becky Thorr

It's getting easier -- Northwest Primary School students who ride bus 43 find it easier to locate their bus in the after-school confusion as the driver stands beside her bus with a placard displaying the bus number. Many students are still learning the ropes as they have completed three days of school.

See HISD, Page A9 **City's rebate** 

# shows gain

#### **By Donald M. Cooper**

Hereford Brand Managing Editor Hereford's economy improved last month, according to the Texas Comptroller's Office.

The city's sales tax rebate payment for August was \$112,491.95, up 8.9 percent from the \$103,308.70 received in August 1998. This month's rebate also was significantly higher than the \$75,900.23 for July.

For the year, Hereford has received \$715,186.32, down about 1.7 percent from the \$727,796.77 for the same period last year.

Deaf Smith County received a payment of \$38,552.87, up 8.6 percent from the \$35,497.64 rebate in August 1998. The county's payment was well above the \$26,248.96 it received in July.

For the year, the county has received \$245,688.20, down 1.3 percent from the \$248,883.76 for the same period in 1998.

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# Hereford man hopes his kidney will save daughter

LUBBOCK -- Santos Liscano of Hereford has the one thing that could save his daughter's life: a kidney.

The 49-year-old truck driver will brave his fear of hospitals and doctors to give his daughter, Linda Liscano, a chance at a longer life.

"I don't have to think about it," he said. "It's something that has to be done. She's my daughter."

His daughter has a severe form of diabetes called brittle diabetes. Her glucose levels are so unpredictable that she also has been diagnosed with chronic renal failure.

Linda's kidneys and bladder have just about quit working. She waits to have them all removed, and then she will undergo the kidney transplant at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

When doctors are ready to proceed with the operation, Santos will have to undergo tests to make sure he's healthy enough.

Linda, 27, said it hurts to know that her father will have to endure the tests and the hospital.

"But he is still willing," she said. "We are real close.

 Young woman bedridden in Lubbock med center, fighting off infection that poses threat to her life

Linda lossn't have much energy to play arour likese days. For the last month, her health the faitered. The young woman who loved to d e and bake cakes is bedridden in Connant Medical Center, fighting off an infection.

It's an obstacle to get over," Linda said from her Hereford home days before she was rushed to the hospital in an ambulance. "If God wants me to overcome it, I will."

The disease hit her at age 14, she said, and by the time doctors diagnosed her correctly, they said she should have been dead.

"The doctors thought it was the Taiwan flu," she said in her weak voice. "They told me to drink orange juice. But I just kept getting sicker and sicker."

Linda's illness sometimes made it impossible for her to rest quietly at home. She has

been in and out of hospitals for months at a time. While her father is on the road, Linda's mother. Alma, stays home taking care of her daughter.

Alma would wake up three or four times a night to help Linda turn over in different positions so she wouldn't cramp. Alma helped Linda eat, walk, take a bath and go to the bathroom. That's along with the housework.

"I need 48 hours in a 24-hour day," Alma said

Linda's care required several doses of medication and insulin a day. She sometimes had to wear leg braces to walk, and sometimes had to use a wheelchair. Linda's illness made high school especially tough, she said.

"When I was in school, kids made me do things that I knew I shouldn't have done." she said. "There's a lot of pressure. I couldn't do normal things everyone else could."

Linda said she wants to warn people with diabetes and kidney problems not to succumb to the pressure and to take care of themselves before it's too late.

"It's a deadly disease," she said. "Try to take care of yourself. Take your insulin. Eat when you need to. It'll catch up to you if you don't take care.'

Linda's own mortality has stared her in the face on several occasions. Eleven years ago, she almost died giving birth to her daughter, Tammy. In 1993, Linda was paralyzed for nine months. Two weeks ago, a 29-year-old cousin lost her battle with the same disease.

"It made me more scared of what might happen," Linda said. "It hurt me when I found out. She just gave up. It made me not want to give up.

Not giving up requires a lot of support from her family, especially from her daughter and her parents, Linda said.

"She (Tammy) is really too young to understand; she shouldn't have to," Linda said. "She

See LISCANO, Page A9

### HEREFORD BRAND Local roundup

### State lamb and swine validations

Deaf/Smith County Extension agents announce it's time to order ear tags for State Lamb and Swine validations. Deadline for ordering lamb tags is Aug. 20. And swine tags must be ordered by Sept. 21.

Actual lamb validation will not be held until mid-October with swine validation in mid-November. Exact dates will be published later. Exhibitors will need to have a parent or guardian present during actual validation.

Participants need to notify the county extension office or the HHS ag department as soon as possible.

### **Celtic Festival comes to area**

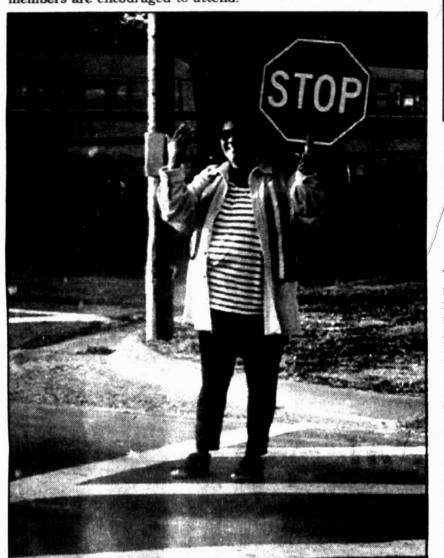
AMARILLO - The second annual Celtic Festival and Highland Games will be in Amarillo at the Ellwood Park Aug. 27-29.

The festival is open to the public and is an event for the entire family. Activities include a golf tournament, genealogy symposium, musical competitions and a highland dance competition.

For more information contact the League of Celtic Nations at 374-3414.

### Hereford Grain stockholder meeting

Hereford Grain will host its annual stockholder's meeting 7:30 tonight at the Hereford Independent School District Central Administration Builidng, 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue. All members are encouraged to attend.



# Failure to yield right of way

INSIDE



Stop means stop -- Emergency crews responded to a minor traffic accident at the intersection of Avenue J and Grand after the driver of a 1995 Ford Taurus, Peggy James, 70, failed to yield the right of way and was struck by a 1983 Ford van, driven by Maria Alvarez. James was transported to Hereford Regional Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries. She was cited for failure to yield right of way. Local officers strictly enforce stop sign laws.

## **Employers ask for school records** School attendance indicates youths work ethics

Youngsters seeking work at about 70 employees. "We need more than 10,000 businesses, to pick someone reliable, defrom McDonald's to IBM, are finding they cannot hide from a spotty academic career: Their Academics Counts" campaign high school records are being requested by companies worried that poor grades and lax they both wanted to produce attendance may suggest an better students who can conemployment risk.

Prospective employers hope make themselves more attracthey're sending a message to tive to potential employers. high school students and recent graduates that school per- oqt with about 2,000 particiformance and their commitment to learning matter even in today's job market. where employers are crying for help. "We let standards go down most usually include students' over the years; it's time to get them back to where they used to be," said John Wentling, the general manager of a McDonald's restaurant in Dover, Del. Wentling is a participant in a campaign by the National Alliance of Businesses to encourage employers to study high school records when hiring. One applicant this summer did not get a job after Wentling's check of the school records showed the applicant missed 12 days of school and was late 37 times.

WASHINGTON (AP) — needs," said Wentling, who has pendable and professional."

The two-year-old "Making grew out of discussions among business and education groups; tinue their education, and

The alliance, which started

tion on gender, race, disability and the like as an excuse to deny a job application.

However, business leaders facing shortages of skilled entry-level workers began to complain that students were graduating from high school without the skills - particularly in technology - necessary for today's workplace.

There were days when I could get a manufacturing job with reading, writing and basic arithmetic," said Robin

entry-level applicants' school records. As recently as 1995, a federal education study found that employers ranked grades and school performance well down on the list of qualifications.

About 36 percent of high school graduates do not go straight to college, even though a college graduate's earning power over a lifetime is nearly twice that of a high school grad. Also, many students, unless they were col-

Safety first -- Streets and crosswalks around area schools are once again being monitored by crossing guards such as Juanita Vasquez who works at Shirley. Police and crossing guards encourage drivers to use extra caution around schools and be prepared to stop for children in the crosswalks. Speed limit in school zones is 20 mph and is strictly enforced.

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300 block of Avenue I. No

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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests

- A 19-year-old man was

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

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6:25 p.m. Firefighters re-

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- A 40-year-old man began

charges have been filed due to

### HEREFORD BRAND **Emergency services**

Activities reported by emergency services personne for Aug. 18, 1999, include the lowing

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

An 18-year-old man was arrested and charged with assault.

- A 17-year-old woma: arrested and charged w sault.

Four juveniles wer rested in the 200 block of Avenue F and charged with possession of marijuana at ler 2 ounces. One juvenile charged with unlawfully rving a weapon. The were made as a result traffic stop where off. rsmelled burning marijuana.

#### Incidents

Child abandonment was reported in the 600 block of Columbia.

A two-car acciden reported at the intersect grand and Avenue J. No serious injuries were reported. A domestic disturbance

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was reported at a residence in

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#### LORENZO CONTRERAS Aug. 18, 1999

Funeral services for Lorenzo Contrerazs, 85, of Hereford will be 10 a.m. Friday at the Good News Church of Hereford with Rev. Tony De Aquino, pastor of Iglesia Del Nazareno officiating. Burial will be in West Park Cemetery under the direction of Rix Funeral Directors.

Mr. Contreras died Wednesday

He was born Oct. 7, 1913, in Bastrop. He married Rosa Garza on Sept. 25, 1941, in Temple. He was a farm laborer

Survivors include his wife; five sons, Larry, Johnny, Tony, and Freddy Contreras of Hereford and Joe Contreras of Lubbock; six daughters, Elvira Mendoza, Irene Camargo, Adela Narranjo, Angie Garza, and Linda Contreras, all of Hereford, and Elida Trevino of Michigan; two brothers, Felipe Contreras of Lubbock and Miguel Contreraz of McAllen; one sister, Severa Contreras of Progresso; 42 grandchildren; 68 great-grandchildren; one great-greatgrandchild.

He was preceded in death by one son in 1985.

pants, reached its goal of 10,000 this month, the group said Wednesday.

High school transcripts vary by district, or even school, but grades, attendance history, course work and teacher evaluations. Transcripts always have helped students get into college but were used less often for jobs.

Sometimes parents and students can be reluctant to give permission for the records' release because they worry emWillner, IBM's director of corporate social policy. "Those davs are over.

International Business Machines Corp., based in Armonk, N.Y., asks for high school transcripts at all of the company's manufacturing facilities, which are in California, Minnesota, New York, North Carolina, Texas and Vermont.

About 30 percent of the company's 296,000 employees are in manufacturing and development.

Employers have not always ployers will use the informa- cared to delve too deeply into

lege-bound, felt school performance and attendance counted for very little, said IBM's Willner.

However, production line managers prefer workers who have taken math courses such as algebra and statistics because they stand a better chance of figuring out increasingly complex quality-control measures at the plants, Willner said. Students who have had a lab science such as chemistry tend to do better with hands-on work, she added.

# School enrollment swells

### Nationwide classroom numbers reach record levels

nation's school enrollment swelled to a record for the fourth consecutive year, riding the crest of a second baby boom and increased immigration, the Education Department said today.

Public and private school students in kindergartenthrough-12th grade will step into their classrooms this fall 53.2 million strong, surpassing last fall's enrollment by a half-million students, according to an annual report that surveys schools on their fall enrollments.

College enrollment also hit a record, for the second time with 14 million students this fall

The student growth is tied to increased immigration and the so-called baby boom echo, a 1980s rise in births much like the first baby boom post-World War II population explosion.

The new figures, which Education Department statisticians used to make projections, give more fuel to the Clinton administration's bid to hire new teachers and increase school building. The White House proposals have met stiff and constant opposition from a Republican-led Congress. which prefers that federal money be sent to states and local school boards to use on projects of their choosing.

"Many of our schools are overcrowded and will stay that way," Education Secretary Richard W. Riley said in statement. "And the situation will next decade.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The only get worse if we don't act quickly to build new schools and fix old ones."

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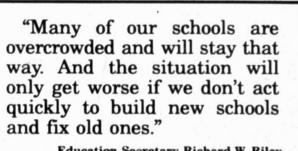
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**Education Secretary Richard W. Riley** 

billion last year.

In public school enrollment, the growth industry is in America's high schools.

Projections from this year through 2009 indicate a 9 percent increase, or an additional 1.3 million public high school students, but elementary enrollments will slightly decrease by less than 1 percent. Fifteen states will get a 15 percent increase in the number of public high school graduates.

Nevada tops the chart, expecting 77 percent more high school graduates over 10 years, followed by Arizona with 56 percent and North Carolina with 40 percent.

"High schools are twice as expensive to build as elementary schools," Riley said.

Teacher hiring presents another problem for schools. The department predicts that the public and private school teaching force will rise by 75,000 or 6 percent in the

cline after the first baby boom, where births dropped to 3.1 million in the early 1970s. births are not expegted to fall this time around, but rather increase slowly for the next decade. The Census Bureau's long range predictions indicate 4.2 million live births for 2009 to 4.8 million in 2028.

### ASSOCIATED PRESS **Texas lottery**

#### Lotto Texas

The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

20-27-37-41-42-48 Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: \$10 million

#### Pick 3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-6-3

# FSTYLES

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### Octoberfest slated for 50 and over

Folks 50 and over are invited to experience nature at its best this year "deep in the heart of Texas" during Octoberfest '99, according to Beverly Harder, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences.

The event, sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be Oct. 18-21 at Lake Brownwood.

Opportunities will include hands-on learning centers where one can learn painting, wood-working, holiday crafts, and other exciting projects. Education programs on topics such as horticulture, photography, nutrition, finances and other current interests are a popular highlight.

Fishing on Lake Brownwood adds popularity to this event. Lighted tennis courts, horseshoes, billiards, volleyball, shuffleboard, dominoes, and card and table games are all available. Fun and educational tours are planned.

A special "Walk on the Wild Side" theme featuring a costume contest will provide a festive atmosphere to the event. The theme party and the closing banquet will feature exciting activities and entertainment.

If interested, call the county Extension office at 364-3573.

### Breast cancer screenings to be available

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will



Basket of bears - Mackenzie and Zachary Clarke show off the basket of Beanie Baby bears, including Hope, Millennium, Spangle, Halo, Signature and many more - 14 in all - that will be offered in the silent auction during the Las Vegas-style casino party to be held poolside at Hereford Country Club at 7 p.m. Saturday sponsored by the Circle of Friends. Circle of Friends is a non-profit volunteer organization founded to support the philosophy and goals of The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center.

Creators Syndicate

# **Ann Landers**

Dear Ann something you might not re-Landers: I member or might really ream 18 years gret. old and a

9. Sex won't make him yours, and a baby won't make member of the Youth him stay.

10. Not ready to be Leadership Team of the someone's father? It's simple. National Use protection every time, or don't have sex.

Ann, I'm sure if my grandmother knew Clarice was ignoring these birthdays, she would be upset. I was always thrilled when I received a card from Grandma on my birthday because it meant she remembered me on my special day. I want my own children to remember their greatgrandmother the same way. What do you think? - Just My Opinion Out East

## Homemade cleaners can reduce pollution

explained Julie Massey, Galveston County marine agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

We're drinking the same water the dinosaurs drank," she said.

And that's why Extension developed the Mix it Yourself brochure. By using materials like baking soda, mineral oil and vinegar to make household cleaners, people can help re-duce the amount of pollutants going back into their water supplies via sinks, commodes, tubs and lawns.

"Even though that water will be treated, you want the highest quality water going back into" the water supply, Massey said.

Reducing the number of chemicals used in the home has other benefits.

"One of our county agents counted the number of cleaning products she had in her home more than 50," Massey recalls. "By using these alternative cleaners, you cut down on the number of cleaners you have to buy so it's cheaper, too."

The main ingredients for Mix it Yourself include baking soda, liquid detergent, mineral oil, white vinegar, salt and lemon juice.

"I think these work really well in the home. Especially if you have small children or pets," she said.

According to Massey, re-sponse to Mix it Yourself has been very high in the Galveston area and for a reason she never expected.

What was amazing to us was

GALVESTON - There is no that people were having allergic new water under the sun, reactions to over-the-counter cleaners," she said.

And Massey said Mix it Yourself cleaners are easy to make.

To make an all-purpose household cleanser, dissolve four tablespoons of baking soda into one quart of warm water and pour into a spray bottle. Spray surface, wipe with a sponge and rinse with clean water. Solution strength can be increased by adding more baking soda.

"Use this to clean and deodorize kitchen surfaces, chrome-plated fixtures and faucets, refrigerators and freez-

ers," Massey suggests. Use 1/4 cup of white vinegar, 1/4 cup of baking soda and one gallon of warm water as a floor

cleaner. Mop, rinse and dry. To clean a commode, sprinkle baking soda into the bowl, drizzle with vinegar and scrub with a toilet brush.

"Combine one quart of water with 1/4 cup of white vinegar to make a glass cleaner," Massey recommends. "Spray on and wipe off with newspaper." A mixture of ½ cup of baking

soda and 1/2 cup of vinegar can be used to unclog drains. Put the baking soda and vinegar in the drain, cover tightly and let it sit for 15 minutes. Pour two quarts of boiling water down the drain.



conduct a breast cancer screening at South Plains Health Care Providers, Inc., 603 East Park, on Sept. 10.

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.

Call 806-356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

### Concert will feature Davis

Hereford Miniserial Alliance and Youth Alliance is sponsoring a Tom Davis concert at 7 p.m. Saturday in the HISD Administration Building.

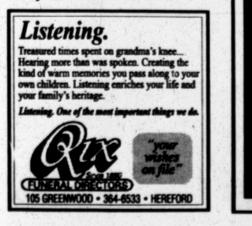
Davis is a talented musician sider what a pregnancy will with a "Dennis Jernigan" style. He has recorded for Vineyard Music for 14 years and founded Amber Rose Music.

The concert will be free to the public and a love offering will be taken.



Jacqualyn Marie Bezner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bezner Jr. of Hereford, was initiated into the Theta Kappa Chapter of Delta Delta Delta at Southern Methodist University in the spring of 1999.

Bezner is a graduate of Hereford High School and a first-year student at SMU.



Campaign Landers to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. I was really

Ann

excited to see our "Ten Tips for Parents" in your column recently, and I hope you will print our new advice for teens

1. Thinking "it won't happen to me" is stupid. If you don't protect yourself, it prob-ably will. Sex is serious. Make a plan.

mean they are. Some are, some aren't - and some are lying. 3. There are a lot of good

reasons to say, "No, not yet." Protecting your feelings is one of them.

4. You're in charge of your life. Don't let anyone pressure you into having sex.

5. You can always say "no" even if you've said "yes" before.

6. Carrying a condom is just being smart — it doesn't

overly sure of yourself. 7. If you think birth control "ruins the mood," con-

do. 8. If you are drunk or high, you can't make good decisions about sex. Don't do

Veteran's Pavilion

Thursday, August 19

3:00-11:00

Energas

**NW Corner** 

**Dameron Park** 

W/V-Ball

Sunday, August 22

12:00-11:00

Maria Garcia

CITY OF

HEREFORD

**Make Reservations Early** 

**For Your Park Activity!** 

Week of August 19 through August 22, 1999

The National Campaign has also published these tips in Spanish. For more information about preventing teen pregnancy, your readers can visit our web site at www.teenpregnancy.org Melissa Harris, Chicago

Dear Melissa: You have a very good head on those /18year-old shoulders. Coming from you, the advice will 2. Just because you think probably be a lot more ac-"everyone is doing it" doesn't ceptable than from me. After all, I'm an old lady - what do I know? Thanks for all the teens you have helped today. And thanks from me, too. My mail will be a bit lighter.

Dear Ann Landers: My grandmother is 94 and lives with my sister, "Clarice," in another state. Grandma is no longer capable of managing her affairs, and Clarice has taken over. Grandma always sent a card, usually with a check, for every birthmean you're pushy or easy or day. Now, she no longer remembers anyone's birthday, and if she tries to write a check, she gets the numbers mixed up. Clarice has decided Grandma won't know whether a card is sent or not, so there will be no more gifts and cards.

**Aquatic Pavilion** 

Sunday, August 22

12:00-6:00

**Dee Dee Arroyos** 

**Veteran's Pavilion** 

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August 22

4:00-8:00

**Dee Arriaga** 

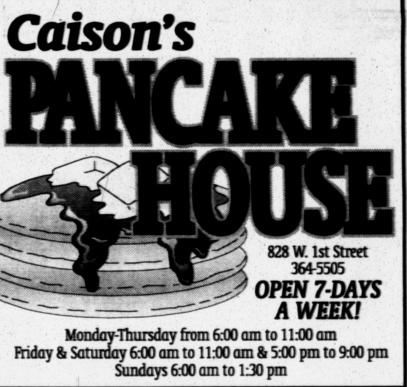
Reservations are taken for a special park location on a first come, first served basis. Reservations must be

made in person at the City Hall.

Dear Opinion: I think it's a shame your sister is taking advantage of Grandma's old age and ignoring what were surely Grandma's wishes.

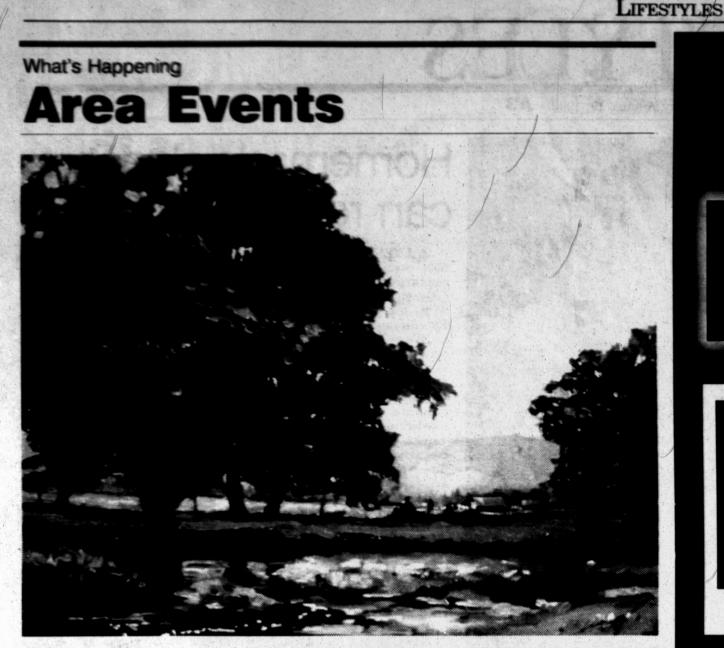
Nevertheless, it's obvious Clarice has her hands full and resents the extra work. Why not give her some preaddressed, stamped birthday cards for the kids, and ask her to drop them in the mailbox at the appropriate time so the kids will know they came from "Grandma." This way, everybody will be happy. To find out more about Ann

Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. ANN LANDERS R COPYRIGHT 1999





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Featured painting - Artwork by Michael Ome Untiedt of Denver, Colo., will be presented during Canyon Rhythms, an art show and sale Sept. 10-12 benefitting the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon. Untiedt is known as a representational Western Regionalist painter. He is heavily influenced by the Taos Society Painters and tends to paint landscapes of canyons, springs and mountains of the American West.

#### CANYON

The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon presents Canyon Rhythms, an art show and sale benefitting the museum, on Sept. 10-12. Artists from throughout Texas and the Southwest will showcase their work throughout the weekend event.

Artwork will be presented in a variety of mediums, including sculpture, oil, furniture, jewelry, ceramics, woodblock prints, and batik

Artists include B.J. Briner, Roy Brown, Doyle Goebel and Curtis Nazworth (doyle curtis), Robert Deurloo, Melanie Fain, Levelland. Lila Hahn, Rosemary Healy-Gonzalez, Daryl Howard, Mark Kohler, Phil Poirier, Doug Ricketts, Michael Stipeck, and Michael Untiedt. The Preview Gala and Auction will be Sept. 10 from 7-10 p.m. Tickets for the Friday night event are \$40 each and may be purchased by calling the museum at 806-651-2244. The gala will provide an opportunity to visit with the artists and purchase pieces of art while guests listen and dance to the big band sound of Hugo Lowenstern and his band. All proceeds from the gala and sale will benefit the museum.

southeastern Cochran County.

Headlining the evening of food, benefit auctions and dancing will be Darrell McCall and the Tennessee Volunteers, the San Antonio dance band that continues the country music tradition established by such artists as Ray Price, Faron Young, Carl Smith and Johnny Paycheck.

Guests will be transported to the Western-theme gala at the Spanish Spur Ranch from Citizens Bank in Levelland starting at 5:30 p.m. The ranch is owned and operated by Rink and Dorothy Bownds of

A dinner, featuring lexas

Auditorium on August 25. The featured speaker will be State Representative John Smithee.

Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) serves as a safety net for Texas families with babies and toddlers who have disabilities or delays in development. ECI staff and teachers who work with these babies and their families are aware of the interplay of different areas of development and can provide special assistance to the smallest and most vulnerable Texans. For more information, call the Amarillo ECI at 806-358-8947 or the Region 16 ECI office

Center City of Amarillo, Inc.,

will once again this Saturday

sponsor the fourth annual Polk

Street Block party which will

take place from 4 p.m.-1 a.m.,

between Sixth and Tenth Av-

diversity and of the historical

and future impact of downtown

to Amarillo, the event has become one of the most popular

and awaited attractions of the

array of multinational foods and

a unique line up of more than 20

featured entertainers on four

The Polk Art Exhibition is

returning for a fourth year,

featuring art from local artists.

Entries will be exhibited at

Untitled..An Art Gallery, 709 S.

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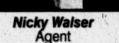
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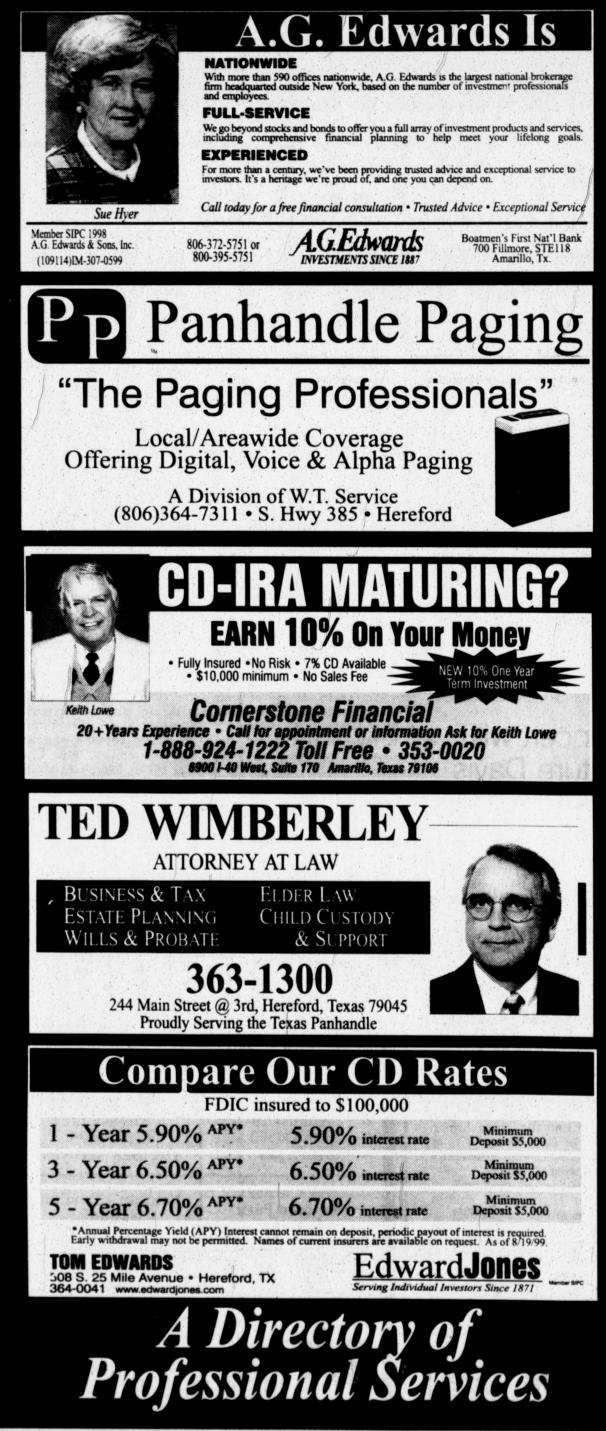




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The art show and sale will continue Sept. 11 from 12 noon-5 p.m. and Sept. 12 from 1-4 p.m.

Canyon Rhythms is a presentation of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society, the museum's sponsoring organization.

LEVELLAND

The Hockley County Unit of the American Cancer Society will host the Sixth Annual Cowboy Ball Saturday at the Spanish Spur Ranch located in

barbecue and other Western dished catered by Whistlin' Dixie Barbecue and Grill, will be served at 7 p.m. Dinner entertainment and dancing will be provided by John Hartin and the Sandyland Swing Band.

Darrell McCall is scheduled to perform from 9 p.m. - 12 midnight.

Other planned activities include a drawing for a trip for two to Las Vegas, a silent auction of items donated by local businesses and sponsors, and a live auction of original Western art, unique jewelry and other treasures.

Tickets are \$50 per person which includes transportation to and from the event and admission to all the evening's activities. For ticket information, contact Linda McCormick at 806-894-7678.

#### AMARILLO

Panhandle pediatricians, neonatologists, nurses, social workers and key hospital personnel will attend a luncheon entitled "Friends of ECI" at the Northwest Texas Hospital Pavilion

### Cleaners

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If the clog is sever, follow with a plunger.

There are other uses for baking soda in the home, Massey said. Make a paste by mixing equal parts of baking soda with warm water to polish silverware and to clean lawn furniture, fiberglass tubs, car bumpers and hub caps.

When sprinkled directly onto a damp sponge or surface, baking soda also cleans stainless walls.

of lemon juice to make furniture minutes. Rinse well and dry. polish.

be removed by soaking a cloth in that one part bleach be mixed vinegar and leaving the cloth on with 100 parts water.

steel sinks and clothes hampers, the stain for about an hour. The and removes scuff marks on deposits will soften and can be floors and crayon marks on removed easily, Massey said.

Metal polish can be made by Other Mix it Yourself ideas mixing 1/2 teaspoon of salt with include mixing three table- 1/2 cup vinegar and enough flour spoons of mineral oil with one to make a paste. Apply the tablespoon of olive oil and a drop paste and leave on for 15-30

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# Teams tie for scramble winnings

Winners take score of 29 for golf victory

#### From Staff Reports Wednesday's Golf

Scramble at John Pitman Golf Course

produced yet another tie for the top spot. The

top score in the scramble was 29, which was done by the team of Ryan Hitt, John Robinson, Gayle Cornelius and Don Davison and the team of Conny Martin, Mick Stevens, Doc Weaver and Jerry Shipman.

Second place was taken by Ron Mann, Marin Rivas, Dewayne Robbins and Mary Shelton. They shot 30 for the scramble.

Fourth place was taken by L.V. Watts, John Kovacs, Armando Torres and Lilie Shipman. They scored 32.

Bringing up the rear was the team of Steve Stevens, Dave Anderson, Darrell

## **Texas takes third** straight victory over Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) - Based on the explosive way the Texas Rangers have been hitting lately, it was just a matter of time until they overwhelmed the suddenly slumping Cleve-land Indians.

Rafael Palmeiro hit a threerun homer and Royce Clayton had a two-run shot in a fiverun seventh inning Wednes-day night, giving the Rangers a 6-1 victory.

The Rangers have 44 runs and 60 hits during a four-game winning streak that has helped them to a 6 1/2-game lead in the AL West.

Texas has pounded Cleve-land pitching, hitting 10 hom-ers in winning the first three games of the four-game series by a combined 34-10 score.

John Burkett (4-6) pitched eight strong innings to get his first victory since July 22. He held Cleveland's lineup to one run and five hits and had a season-high eight strikeouts. Burkett lowered his ERA

from 6.30 to 5.90.

"I felt more comfortable than I have all year," Burkett said. "When it is an important game, I believe I'm going to do it. I was confident and felt good."

Palmeiro snapped a 1-1 tie in the seventh with his 33rd homer of the season. Rusty Greer opened the inning with a single and went to third on a double by Juan Gonzalez before Palmeiro homered off Charles Nagy (13-8).

"Nagy always pitches me tough. He just made a mistake and left a pitch up in the zone. I looked at their defensive alignment, and the sec-

trying to hit it their way and

trying to hit it their way and score the runner from third," said Palmeiro, who has nine homers in his last 20 games. After Todd Zeile singled, Nagy was replaced by Ricardo Rincon, who was helped by two sensational fielding plays. Roberto Alomar made a div-ing stop of a sharp grounder

ing stop of a sharp grounder and flipped the ball over his back to shortstop Omar Vizquel to force Zeile. Clayton then hit his seventh homer for a 6-1 lead.

After Tom Goodwin walked, Mark McLemore hit a drive into the gap in right-center, but Manny Ramirez made a running, backhanded catch and doubled Goodwin off first base to end the inning. Texas, which has 17 hom-

ers in its last five games, scratched out a first-inning run when McLemore singled, went to third on a one-out single by Greer and scored on

a groundout by Gonzalez. Cleveland tied it in the sixth. Vizquel got a bunt single, stole second and scored on Ramirez's one-out single.

Ramirez went to third on David Justice's single, but Burkett struck out Jim Thome and Richie Sexson to end the rally.

Nagy said he had experienced flu-like symptoms all week and might have gotten a bit weak in the seventh.

"I thought Charlie pitched very well, but we just didn't generate anything off Burkett,' Indians manager Mike Hargrove said. "Burkett knows how to get people out and when he has command of his

Dave Anderson putts toward the green Wednesday at John Pitman Golf Course.

# **Lady Whitefaces suffer** opening-season defeat

### Defensive errors lead to Hereford's loss to Lubbock Coronado

Editor' Note: Due to late reports at press time, the results of the Hereford High School Volleyball team's match against Lubbock Coronado have been published today instead of yesterday.

From Staff Reports LUBBOCK — The 1999 Varsity Volleyball season did not open as coach Brenda Kitten and the volleyball team wanted it to be.

The Lady Whitefaces took the first game and then saw the

Lubbock Coronado Lady Mustangs take the next two games in a row to record a 7-15, 15-12, 16-14 victory against Hereford Tuesday at Coronado High School.

Tori Walker led the Lady Whitefaces with 18 kills and 8 digs. Toni Eicke recorded 8 kills, but Hereford suffered through 78 total errors, 42 of them coming in dig errors. Audra Witkowski had a

team-high 30 set assists along with 4 kills and 8 digs. Michelle Bernhardt, Pam

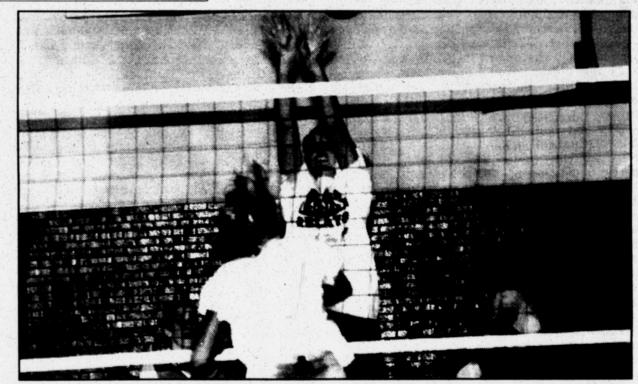
Kline and Sarah Griffin each recorded 3 kills.

Griffin had four blocks, but struggled with seven dig errors. Hereford's junior varsity team lost to Lubbock Coronado's JV team 9-15, 7-15.

The junior varsity team will host a tournament starting Friday at Whiteface Gymnasium. The Lady Whiteface varsity team will travel to Amarillo to face the River Road Lady Wildcats. First serve is set for 7:30 p.m.

Matthews and Art. Clark. They shot 35.

ond baseman and first pitches, he is tough. He just baseman were back. I was just dominated us."



Ashley Fangman blocks a teammate's spike during a practice before the Lubbock Coronado game. Lady Whitefaces will return to action Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Amarillo River Road.

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# **Servicing a Victory**



The Service Company went 9-0 during Kids Inc. season. Team members inlcude (Top row, from left) Staci Wilt, Kelsey Jorgenson, Jessica Claudio, Melissa Villalovos and head coach Vicky Marasco. (Front row, from left) Madison Urbanczyk, Jaclyn Paschel, Lauren McNeese, Kelly Schlabs and Celia Padilla. Not pictured were Kristen Mercado, Chelsea Campbell and coach Kasey Torres.

### **Deion may not return soon**

WICHITA FALLS (AP) -If Deion Sanders knows when his left big toe will stop hurting enough to let him return to the Dallas Cowboys, he's not saying. He is willing to joke about it, though.

When told Wednesday that trainer Jim Maurer has said he's aiming for Sanders to be back for the Sept. 12 opener against Washington, Sanders raised his eyebrows and said: 'Yeah? On the sideline? Coaching?"

When reminded that Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has said Sanders could be back by October, Sanders said: "I whatever the Lord will have me to do, brother." So, is there a chance he'll be ready for the opener?

cycle around the Midwestern boys running back Chris War-State University campus, but that's as much transportation as rehabilitation.

Then there's his work on the basketball court, which has been the butt of jokes ever since Jones said it was part of Sanders' therapy. Even Cowboys coach Chan Gailey has said "something just doesn't sound right" about it.

"If you would listen to the media, you'd have thought I was playing 1-on-1 with (Michael) Jordan," Sanders said. "That's foolish.

"Common sense tells you that when you play basketwould think people must con- ball and shoot a jump shot, fer with me before speaking you must come up on your healed until June -10 their goals." He then cackled toes, stretch your toes. No months after he initially and added, "My goal is just one is guarding me, no one is covering me. I'm in there all by myself doing some drills." The injury kept Sanders out of the final five games of "I don't know. You'll have last season, then he returned for a first-round playoff loss in January and the Pro Bowl in February. He underwent "I can run straight forward and backward all day long." said Sanders, who was wearsnaps and makes the Pro ing open-toed sandals with two strips of tape holding a foam wedge in place between the injured toe and the next one.

ren out of seven games last year has taken him out of

training camp for a few days. Warren left Tuesday for examination by the Colorado therapist who treated him during the offseason. Warren was expected to return to the team late Wednesday or Thursday morning.

Trainer Jim Maurer said Warren requested the trip for further treatment from the specialist. Maurer called the visit "a maintenance thing," adding that Warren had some soreness.

Warren's injury was so bad that he wasn't declared fully

## **Astros beat Brewers, 6-4**

Hampton, who has won his

Everett walked to start

last seven decisions, allowed

five hits and struck out nine

the second inning and scored

on Spiers' double. After that,

Nomo was in control - he

retired the side on three

pitches in third, then needed

just six pitches to get through

ton in the first inning with

three hits and two runs. A

sacrifice fly by Alex Ochoa

The Brewers got to Hamp-

Cardinals.

the fourth.

in seven innings

HOUSTON (AP) - It took the Houston Astros until the eighth inning to finally crack the Milwaukee Brewers, and when they did, it was Carl Everett who got the big hit.

Everett hit a two-run double that highlighted a five-run rally Wednesday night as the Astros beat the Brewers 6-4 and took sole possession of first place in the NL Cen-

tral. "Being back in first place by any margin is better than no margin at all," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "We get to rest on that for 24 hours and be out there again."

Everett is hitting .475 and has hit in eight of his 10 games since returning from a hamstring injury Aug. 6.

"This was a team victory," Everett said. "Russ Johnson has been spectacular for us. He came up with the big hit to start us off. Then we just kept going."

Houston moved one game ahead of Cincinnati with its third straight victory. The Reds lost 12-6 to Pittsburgh. Milwaukee dropped its fourth in a row.

Hideo Nomo took a 4-1 lead into the eighth, but singles by pinch-hitter Johnson and Craig Biggio and a walk to pinch-hitter Ken Caminiti loaded the bases.

"I was mainly just throw-ing straight pitches and they were swinging at them," Nomo said. "This is my second-toughest type of defeat. The first type is when I get the loss.'

With Jeff Bagwell at the plate, a wild pitch by reliever Eric Plunk (2-3) scored a run. After Bagwell struck out, Everett followed with a double down the right-field line that tied it at 4.

"What really hurt us was the wild pitch," Brewers man-ager Jim Lefebvre said. "We got the strikeout on Bagwell and then Everett came back that with big hit."

Everett stole third, and Lance Berkman walked with one out. Reliever Bob

Grissom - his 1,500th cafor the lead with teammate reer hit - produced the runs. Jose Lima and Kent Grissom went 3-for-4 and Bottenfield of the St. Louis

also had an RBI single in the eighth inning off Williams.

After Lou Collier got the Brewers' third hit in the first, Hampton retired 15 of the next 16 batters until Grissom tripled with two outs in the sixth and scored on Collier's single.







to ask Him," Sanders said, once again cracking himself up.

The 31-year-old Sanders surgery in April. has a financial incentive to return quickly. If he plays 70 percent of Dallas' defensive Bowl, he'll get a \$1.5 million bonus. He's already made \$3.5 million in bonuses and has a \$3 million base salary as part of a five-year deal that pays him the highest annual salary history.

But the guy once known as Neon, and who still answers do.' to the name Prime Time, was uncharacteristically hush- Sanders plenty of time to mouthed about the specifics of his rehabilitation.

"I can't let you in on all the things I do," he said.

He was even secretive about how long he spends doing whatever it is he won't say that he does.

"I can't reveal that," Sanders said. "I'll just tell you I'm back to the manner I'm accustomed to playing."

Not everything about his mation. After all, he was skip- year. But if not, I'm fine." ping rope on the sidelines Wednesday and he let it slip that he runs every morning. He's also been riding a bi-

"But this is not track. This is a bunch of reaction and (\$10.5 million a year) in league action, planting and pushing off. That's my whole game and that's something I must

> think, and he admits he's thought about the day when his career will be over. He said his strong faith - and a strong bank account - will help him handle it.

"If it isn't His will for me to come back this year or to play any more, I'm fine financially, mentally, physically doing what I must do to get and spiritually," said Sanders, who in May married actressmodel Pilar Biggers.

"I'm praying that He alrecovery is classified infor- lows me to come back this

> CHRIS WARREN INJURED: The groin problem that kept Dallas Cow-



strained it. His status for Saturday

night's exhibition game against New England was unglear.

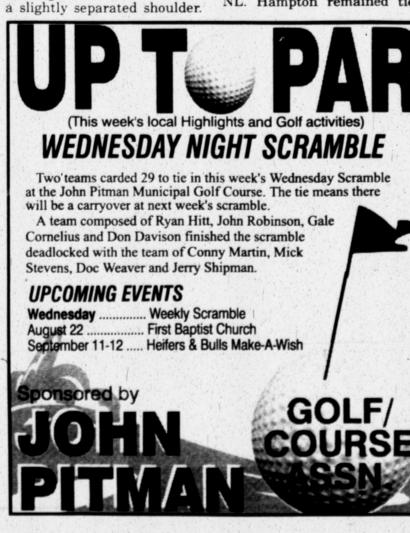
"There's still three games" to play and a couple of weeks," Gailey said. "We know basically what he's about."

Although Warren played in only nine games as Emmitt Smith's backup, he scored five touchdowns and had Dallas' two longest runs of the season. He averaged 4.9 yards on 59 carries.

**KEVIN SMITH HURT-**ING, TOO: Cornerback Kevin Smith, sure to start while Deion Sanders is hurt, also is away from the team while trying to heal a lingering injury

Smith, who hasn't practiced All this time off has given in more than a week, returned to Dallas last week to receive treatment for a bulging disk in his lower back that was detected in June. He also underwent further tests

> **ROCKET RETURNS: Re**ceiver Raghib "Rocket" Ismail returned to practice after missing about two weeks with



Wickman struck out Bill Spiers before Paul Bako singled home the go-ahead run. Ricky Gutierrez also delivered an RBI single to complete the five-run eighth.

Johnson is hitting .666 in his last nine at-bats as a pinch-hitter, including a double, stolen base and three runs scored.

"I was just trying to get on base and do my part," Johnson said. "This is a great team. Nomo pitched a great game and we had to fight back to win this game."

Brian Williams (2-1) pitched the eighth for Houston and got the victory. Billy Wagner got his 30th save in 32 opportunities, striking out three in the ninth.

Nomo allowed six hits in seven strong innings. At one stretch, he retired five batters on five pitches.

"He pitched really well against this lineup," Brewers manager Jim Lefebvre said. "We have a lot of confidence when he pitches, so I think we play better behind him."

Houston starter Mike Hampton failed to become the first 17-game winner in the NL. Hampton remained tied

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MINNEAPOLIS - A story Garrison Keillor wrote 15 years ago for The New Yorker magazine will be turned into a 15-minute film.

The premise of Keillor's "End of the Tale" is that cigarette smoking is outlawed with the passage of the 28th Amendment to the Constitution, and the country's last five smokers are tracked to a box canyon in the Sierras.

"Garrison was prescient in 1984 ... and he gets more prescient as our government tightens the noose around smokers' throats," said coproducer Irv Letofsky, a former Minnesota newspaper reporter and TV critic.

Letofsky and his wife, Brian Ann Zoccola, adapted the article for the short film, whigh will be shot

in Minnesota next spring. **Jennifer Lopez** 

#### NEW YORK - Jennifer Lopez still remembers some tough love she got from her mom early on.

The 30-year-old actor and singer told Redbook magazine that she was once on tour with a musical revue and the only person not given a solo. She called home crushed and crying.

You wanted to be in this business, so you better toughen up!' And I did."

#### Sheb Wooley

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Sheb Wooley, known for his acting in West-

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### KEILLOR

Premise of Keillor's story is that cigarette smoking is outlawed with passage of the 28th Amendment to the Constitution.

> country songs. He was diagnosed with leukemia three years ago.

Marty Martel, a friend, said Wednesday that Wooley has been ailing with pneumonia for three weeks. He said Wooley is responding to treatment.

Wooley's roles include a whiskey-drinking killer in "High Noon," and the high school principal in the 1987 film "Hoosiers." He also was a regular on the TV show

"Diff"rent Strokes" star Gary Coleman has filed for bank-

ruptcy. Coleman, who once earned \$70,000 an episode on the sitcom, blamed financial woes on his lifelong kidney prob-lems, mismanagement of his erns and the ditty money and settlement of a 1993 lawsuit over his earn-"Purple People ings

Eater," Today is not a day to has been focus on the past, but rather to look forward to a producadmitted tive, happy and constructive future," Coleman said Wednesday outside federal to a Nashville hospital with pneumocourt, where he filed for a

bankruptcy protection. Coleman, 30, last month paid a \$400 fine for punching bronchial infection autograph-seeker Tracy Fields. Coleman, who was blood clot working as a security guard, pleaded no contest in Februin his leg. Wooley, 78, has ap-peared in ary to disturbing the peace. He also was ordered to at-

more than tend anger management 60 movies, classes. Coleman, played Arnold on acted in

"Diff'rent Strokes," which ran television from 1978 to 1986.

### **Jerry Falwell**

LYNCHBURG, Va. - The Rev. Jerry Falwell says he'll tone down his anti-gay rhetoric, but he won't change his view that homosexuality is a

The founder of the defunct Moral Majority met Tuesday with another preacher, the Rev. Mel White, who plans to bring 200 gays and lesbians to an Oct. 23 dinner here with Falwell and 200 of his supporters.

White said he sees the dinner as an opportunity for people to share their experi-

is talking to NBC correspondent Gwen Ifill about hosting the program.

"Discussions have taken place, but there's no signed agreement," Public Broadcasting Service spokesman Tom Epstein said Wednesday.

national correspondent on the "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer," The Washington Post reported.

She would continue at NBC in a reduced capacity, at least for the short term, the Post said. Ms. Ifill has been a

host Ken Bode six months ago. Bode said it arose from a desire by the producers to put "more edge, more opin-ion and more attitude" on the show. At the time, WETA talked to Ms. Ifill about taking the job, but she rejected the idea out of concern for Bode, the *Post* said.

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**REBUILT KIRBYS 1/2 price** with warranty. Other name brands. \$39 & up. Sales and repairs in your home, on all makes and models. Call 364-

**1a. GARAGE SALES** GARAGE SALE! 222 Elm. Saturday 8:00 til ?? LOTS OF

YARD SALE! 820 Irving. Saturday 8:00 til 5:00. 25" T.V.,

refrigerator, Washer, Dryer,

GARAGE SALE! 129 Star. Friday and Saturday. OPEN

etc.

EARLY!! GARAGE SALE. 208 Chero-

kee. Friday 9:00 til 6:00 Saturday 9:00 til 1:00. Dryer, Patio Furniture, Air compressor, quilt, collectibles, girls & ladies clothes and shoes.

YARD SALE! 209 Kibbe. Thursday, Friday, Saturday 9:00 til ?? Chairs, baby bed, clothes, dishes, & miscellaneous.

**GARAGE SALE!** 235 Avenue I. Thursday & Friday 9:00 til ?? Saturday 8:00 til ?? Clothes, video games, & miscellaneous.

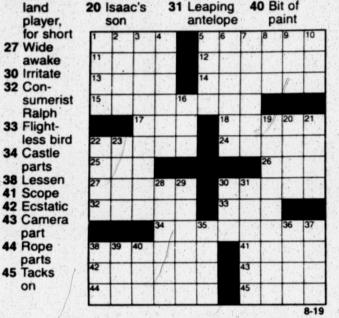
YARD SALE! 304 W. 6th. Thursday & Friday 9:00 til ?? Adult & Children clothes, & lots of miscellaneous.

**RENEE'S ESTATE** Sales. Complete liquidation of personal property in the home. Call Renee Huckert at 364-6603.

GARAGE SALE! 222 and 224 Avenue H. Friday 5:00p.m., Saturday 9:00 til ??



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SEE AT 435 LONG. 1990 Mitsubishi Mini Truck, blue, Customize, clean, w/Bass system. \$3,500 OBO. 364-1957.

MUST SELL!! 1975 GMC Pickup. Runs great. New tires. Needs body and front end work. Asking \$1,000 FIRM. Call 363-6388. SERIOUS INQUIRES ONLY!!

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Styles. 364-5552. Located in Hut in Homeland Parking Lot through the month of August. \$2.00 Off first grooming. Dana Matthews -Groomer. 20 Years Experience.

K-9 PET Styles wants to Thank You, Hereford, for making our first 2 weeks open a success. Call for you same day/next day appointment at 364-5552.

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

HOUSE BOAT For sale at UTE Lake, Logan. N.M. For more information call 364-6195.

FRESH SWEET Corn and Field Run Potatoes for sale. Call 364-2800

MANAGER'S SPECIALS Save on Factory 2nds. 3 to choose from \$2,195 and up. Morgan Spas I-27 @ Bell. Call 358-9597.

9X25 CUSTOM Office Bldg -Built Wrong - Make Offer. Morgan Bldgs I-27 @ Bell. Call 358-9597.

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**ANDREW'S PRODUCE.** Sweet Corn \$3.00/dozen or \$2.50 if you pick. Black-eye Peas and Green Beans, \$8.00 a bushel. Cucumbers & Squash are \$4.00/5 gallon bucket. Call 276-5240.

FOR SALE! Coleman Pop-up Camper. Sleeps 6. \$1,000 OBO. Call 364-0184.

LIKE NEW. Turn table, microwave, Lawnmower. Cheap! Call 364-1957.

HEAVY DUTY Compressor. 80 Gallon Tank, 175PSI, Like New. \$900 FIRM. Call 357-2450.

FOR SALE! Triticale Seed. Good fall grazing variety. Call 364-8403.

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**GARAGE SALE!** 330 Avenue

C. Friday and Saturday 9:00 til

2. FARM & RANCH

WE ARE Now doing CRP SHREDDING. For all your shredding needs call Joe Ward/ at 364-2021 (day) or 289-5394 (night).

WE WILL Do all your shredding needs. Corn stalks, wheat, CRP. Call Sandie at 289-5211. Reasonable Rates.

PEN RIDERS Experience required, experience with light cattle and fresh cattle helpful. Send resume and references to Cattlemen's, P.O. Box 676, Olton. TX 79064 or call Rex Fennell between 6:30PM and 8:30PM (806)986-4295.

1972 C-60 Grain Silage. Tadam axle, 427.Working 5-speed transmission, 6 new tires, 22ft bed. Gains Hoist, excellent shape, new shape, White/Grey. \$8,500. Call after 5:00p.m. 655-3942 if no answer call 672-4588.

**CRP SHREDDING** Call Kirk Marnell. Call 258-7372 or mobile 346-2708.

3. AUTOMOBILES

1995 RED Firebird, 2 Door. \$9,700.00. Call 364-4873.

FOR SALE! 1993 White Chevy Suburban. Rear air, 98,000 Miles. See at Hereford Credit Union Parking Lot.

1987 CHRYSLER 4-Door. \$1,000.00. Call 364-4189 or 364-1070.

1989 CHEVROLET Suburban. Air, Power, good condi-tion. \$5,500. Call 364-6617 or 344-4617.

See Us Before You Buy Marcum Motors Co. Clean Used Cars & Trucks 413 N. 25 Mile Ave. 364-3565

### 4. REAL ESTATE

HOME BUYERS! 1999 Government Assistance Program is available to first-time home buyers with low to moderate income. You could receive up to \$7,500 in assistance. Call Kyle Michaels at 356-9444 to apply.

BANK SAYS Sell-UM!! Previous Owners loss, your gain on 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath and 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath. Other models available. Nationwide Homes 1-800-820-0103.

MUST SELL!! 16X80 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Sales Price below book value. Call Christy at 806-342-0440.

### **5. RENTAL PROPERTY**

**NEED EXTRA** Storage space? Need a place to have a garage sale? Rent a mini storage. Two sizes available. Call 364-4370.

BEST DEAL In Town! 1 bedroom efficiency apartments. Bills paid, red brick apartments. 300 block West 2nd. 364-3566.

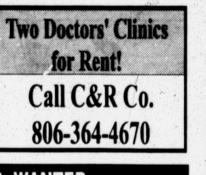
1100 sq. ft. Office Space 4 Offices, Carpeted In good shape and ready to go! Call C&R Co. 806-364-4670

NICE, LARGE, Unfurnished apartments. Refrigerated air, two bedrooms. You pay only electric — we pay the rest. \$335/month. 364-8421.

Available: Apartment for adult living. Two large bedrooms and baths, plus study/office with the added bonus of a lovely balcony. The large living area boasts a fireplace to chase the winter chill. Galley birchen bas Galley kitchen has dishwasher, stove and disposal. Dining area opens into small private, fenced patio. Detached double garage. W/D hookup and central heat and air. Phone 364,1530 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Bedroom Apt. for rent. Fridge, Stove, and water paid. Section 8 Renters Accepted. Call 364-4370.

HAVE JUST BECOME AVAILABLE !!! 1 & 2 Bedroom Apartments. Great for the College Commuter as well as the Family. No deposit required for HUD. The Eldorado Apartments. Call 364-1254 or 344-2475.



6. WANTED

WORKING MOM Will pay someone to help get kids home from school. One in Hereford High and one in JR High. Call 363-6032.

### 8. EMPLOYMENT

**BRADFORD TRUCKING** An E.S.O.P. Company **Now Taking Applications** 

Hiring for cattle haul. Must have 3 years experience and be acceptable by insurance company, pass DCT drug screen and physical. Benefits Include: insurance and raise after 60 days, vacation after 1 year, retirement paid by Company.

**Contact Odell Ward** at 1-800-522-5164 or Fax or Send Resume to: P.O. Box 129 Cactus, Texas 79018 fax no. 806-966-5532

WELDERS NEEDED! Apply in person at Allied Millwrights on Holly Sugar Road.

AVON. START NOW! Save 40% on Christmas shopping. For information. Call 364-0899.



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GARAGE DOOR And Opener Repair and Replacement. Call Robert Betzen, 289-5500. If no answer call mobile, 344-2960.

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

· Give the price. A newspaper consultant says 70 percent of classified readers won't respond to an ad with no price.

· Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition.

· Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.

· Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to include a phone number and the best times to reach you.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING Course is now being offered nights and Saturdays. Will include ticket dismissal and insurance discount. For more information, call 289-5851. #C0023-C0733, McKibben ADS.

WE BUY Scrap iron, metal, aluminum cans, all batteries, tin, copper & brass. Call 364-3350.

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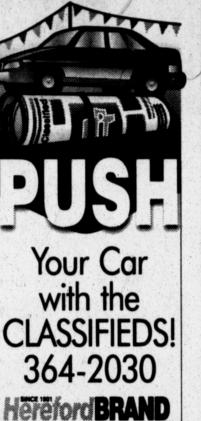
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# **Sales tax**

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The comptroller's office delivered a total of \$272.3 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,098 Texas cities and 117 counties, a 6.4 percentr increase over the \$255.8 million allocated in August 1998. Year-to-date payments to cities and counties are running 6.5 percent ahead of last year.

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# THE ASSOCIATED PRESS **News digest** Turke

Map shows area of devastating earthquake

### Earthquake's death toll moving beyond 6,000

ISTANBUL, Turkey - As the death toll from western Turkey's worst recorded earthquake surpassed 6,000 today, hundreds of thousands of Turks camped out in yards, parks, even on highway medians for yet another night in fear of going home — or because they had no home to go back to.

The masses of people huddled under Day-Glo tents or simple bed sheets tied to sticks for a second straight night provided mute testimony to the difficulties that lie ahead in returning the densely populated region to normal following Tuesday's powerful tremor.

More hard evidence: an inferno at the major Tupras oil refinery, still raging out of control today and threatening severe setbacks to the area that accounts for a third of Turkey's economic output. Turkey's business newspa-

per, Finansal Forum, estimated the quake would cost Turkey's struggling economy \$25 billion.

the Clinton administration's bid to hire new teachers and increase school building.

### Expiring green cards frustrate thousands

CHICAGO - Every day, hundreds of immigrants line up outside the Immigration and Naturalization Service's office, worried their green cards will lapse and they will lose their legal status. The cards — the first is-

sued with an expiration date to improve security - start expiring this month. Because the office can only process about 1,000 immigrants a day, many wait for hours.

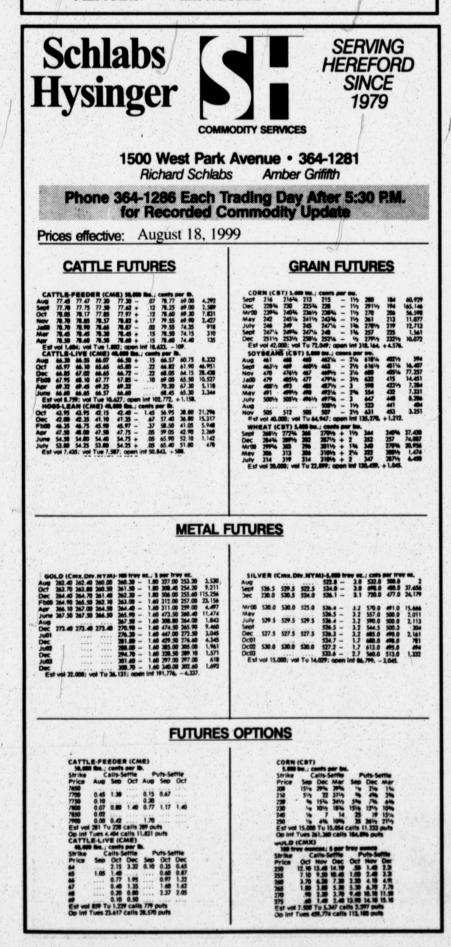
Officials say the anxiety is unnecessary, because no one will lose their legal status. The misunderstanding over the cards, many say, only exacerbates a chronic problem at the agency — too few INS workers with too little information.

Immigration officials say those who allow their green cards to lapse will not be deported or fined. Leaving the United States on an expired green card, however, might cause difficulty trying to re-enter. To apply for jobs, immigrants also need a current green card, officially called the I-551 Permanent Resident Card.

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PMZO ZJOQK OJEBVO Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THERE AIN'T NOTH-ING THAT BREAKS UP HOMES, COUNTRY, AND NATIONS LIKE SOMEBODY PUBLISHING THEIR MEMOIRS. — WILL ROGERS



The August rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers in June and by quarterly filers during April, May and June, and reported to the comptroller's office in July.

The sales tax rebates included \$251.9 million to Texas cities. So far this year, rebates to cities are 7 percent higher than for the same period in 1998.

Counties recieved August rebates of \$20.3 million. For the year, counties have received 0.4 percent more than for the same period last year. Another \$8.9 million went to 42 special purpose districts around the state.

By law, the state collects sales taxes for Texas cities and counties that have local sales taxes. The comptroller's office then returns the portion of the taxes on a monthly basis.

The state charges a 6.25 percent sales tax and local sales taxes can be up to 2 percent above that.

Around the area:

Dimmitt received a rebate of \$31,721.38, up 1.2 percent from the \$31,360.15 received in August 1998 and well above the \$21,938.07 payment for July. Dalhart received \$117,351.79, down 1.4 percent from the

\$119,043.71 received in August 1998. August's payment was significantly higher than the \$72,481.41 payment for July.

Pampa also saw a decline, with a payment of \$266,226.14, down 5.7 percent from the \$282,207.15 received in August 1998. The rebate, however, represented an improvement over the \$167,909.30 payment for July.

Plainview received \$294,368.12 in August, about 0.4 percent better than the \$293,163.86 payment last year. The August payment also was an improvement over the \$203,554.60 received in July.

Borger received \$243,666.89, down 10.5 percent from \$272,217.40 received in August 1998. It was, however, an improvement over the \$175,637.88 received in July.

Dumas received \$186,376.86 in August, up 111.8 percent from the \$88,011.42 payment the year before. The August rebate also was an improvement over the \$120,321.57 received in July.

Among the area counties, Castro County received \$14,053.66, up 4.8 percent from the \$13,405.04 payment for August 1998 and well above the \$9,507.87 rebate in July; Hale County received a rebate of \$103,413.18, up 13.2 percent from the \$91,373.82 for August 1998 and an improvement over the \$70,845.78 payment in July.

### Filing service

The comptroller's office has established a service designed to make sales tax filing easier for many Texans.

The new WebFile Internet service, which is similar to the comptroller's TeleFile service, allows taxpayers to file returns via the World Wide Web.

More than 160,000 taxpayers now qualify to use WebFile. The qualified taxpayers are short-form filers with no tax due and long-form filers who had no sales at any of their outlets.

To get more information on WebFile, visit the comptroller's Web site at http://www.window.state.tx.us.

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keeps me going. My family is an important part of my life."

Linda's family said they will continue to pray for her, whatever her fate.

"I feel sad," Santos said. "She's pretty young. It's cut her life short. That's the main thing. But we leave it up to God. She's been suffering a lot. She's lived this long. It's really up to Him now."

#### School enrollment sets a new record

WASHINGTON - The nation's school enrollment swelled to a record for the fourth consecutive year, riding the crest of a second baby boom and increased immigration, the Education Department said today.

Public and private school students in kindergartenthrough-12th grade will step into their classrooms this fall 53.2 million strong, surpass-ing last fall's enrollment by a half-million students, according to an annual report that surveys schools on their fall enrollments.

College enrollment also hit a record, for the second time with 14.9 million students this fall.

The student growth is tied to increased immigration and the so-called baby boom echo, a 1980s rise in births much like the first baby boom post-World War II population explosion.

The new figures, which Education Department statisticians used to make projections, give more fuel to

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rate of 96.7 percent; 90.2 percent of students mastering the reading, up 15.8 percent; Math passing rates of 93.6 percent, up 16.3 percent; and writing passing rates of 93 percent, up 23.6 percent.

 Northwest turned in an attendance rate of 96.8 percent; reading passing rates of 92.4 percent, up 1.5 percent; math passing rates of 93.8 percent, up 20.9 percent. • Shirley had a 96.8 attendance rate; 85.4 percent passing

the reading, up 1.6 percent; 95.5 percent passing math, up 6.3 percent and 98.5 passing writing, up 10.5 percent. The writing average was the highest in the district.

• Tierra Blanca had a 97 percent attendance rate; reading passing rates of 88.3 percent, up 2.6 percent and Math passing rates of 90.3 percent, up six percent.

· West Central's attendance rate was 97.2 percent; reading tests passing rates were 88.3 percent, up 2.6 percent; Math passing rates of 97 percent, up 9.4 percent; and writing passing rates of 92.3 percent, up 4.5 percent. The 97 percent passing rate on Math scores was the highest in the district and the 97.2 percent attendance rate tied with Aikman in this area.

· Hereford Junior High had a 95.5 percent attendance rate; reading passing rates of 79.8 percent up 3.5 percent; math passing rates of 89.8 percent, up 8.6 percent, and writing passing rates of 83.9 percent, up six percent. • Hereford High School experienced an attendance rate of

96.1 percent; reading tests passing rates of 85.7 percent; up 5.2 percent; Math passing rates of 92.1 percent, up 9.3 percent and writing passing rates of 88. T percent, up 7.9 percent.

(Note: Primary campuses do not participate in the writing portion of the test.)

### China, Taiwan enjoy close economic ties

TAIPEI, Taiwan - All the saber-rattling across the Taiwan Strait might make it sound like war between Tai-wan and China is imminent and inevitable, but a practical consideration - money - could help keep the peace. Beijing and Taipei's latest

standoff is the most serious in years, but it comes at a time when their economies are closer than ever. Some experts wonder whether they can afford to escalate the verbal battle.

The feud has spooked more than one investor, but economists, bankers and business executives say China-Taiwan economic ties are a powerful common interest that will expand in the long term regardless of where the political bickering leads.

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# CAMPAIGN 2000 Starr's probe to continue

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Gov. George W. Bush

## **Bush gets testy** on drug question

AUSTIN (AP) — George question," Bush told report-Bush says he hasn't used ers. "And that's the game in W. Bush says he hasn't used illegal drugs within the past seven years, while insisting that such personal issues have no place in the 2000 presidential race.

He snapped at reporters asking about possible illegal drug use Wednesday, saying he would "refuse to play" that game. But he answered a hypothetical question The Dallas Morning News put to him later in the day.

The newspaper questioned him about the requirement that federal employees answer questions about drug use to get high-level security clearances.

"As I understand it, the current form asks the question, 'Did somebody use drugs within the last seven years?' and I will be glad to answer that question, and the answer is 'No," the News, in a story for today's editions, quoted Bush as saying in New Orleans.

That was a departure from the response he gave during a news conference in which he said rumors about his personal life were "ridiculous and absurd," possibly planted by political opponents.

"You know what happens? that causes you to ask a record and other inquiries.

American politics, and I refuse to play it. ... That is a game. And you just fell for the trap. And I refuse to play."

Since his first campaign for Texas governor in 1994, Bush has declined to answer some questions about his past. "When I was young and irresponsible, I behaved young and irresponsibly," is his oftrepeated answer.

The drug question continued to dog him as he cam-paigned later Wednesday in Baton Rouge, La. "I made some mistakes years ago," he said. "But I learned from my mistakes.'

Bush has said he quit drinking alcohol 13 years ago, when he turned 40. And in the wake of the President Clinton-Monica Lewinsky scandal, Bush said he's been faithful to his wife of more than 20 years.

But since launching his presidential bid, Bush has steered clear of the drug question, saying he believes voters are weary of what he called "the politics of personal destruction."

The governor's campaign says Bush believes there is a line to be drawn between Somebody floats a rumor and legitimate questions about lis

### Divided court gives independent counsel OK to keep working

WASHINGTON (AP) - A divided federal court has given Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr authority to continue his investigation of President Clinton and his wife, Hillary, even as there were fresh indications Starr wants to quit before the job is done.

Citing Starr's "unusually productive" record of 24 indictments, 16 convictions and a presidential impeachment during his five-year probe, two Republican-appointed appeals court judges wrote Wednesday that they gave Starr the go-ahead to carry on after he said his work

wasn't finished.

Starr has said his office was trying to wrap up its speculation he

might leave office before a final report were filed. Starr said Wednesday his office was working with the Justice Department on "whether appropriate matters can be referred back to the department." Justice , Department officials have

told Starr they probably would be unable to take over his unfinished investigation, a department official said.

Starr told U.S.

Court of Appeals Judge David Sentelle, who presides over

the three-judge panel, on Aug. 2 that he expected to leave the job before the end of the work and there has been year, The Washington Post



**KENNETH STARR** Investigation gets OK to continue

> said in today's editions. ABC News quoted sources

on its Web site Tuesday as saying Starr had informed the judges he hoped to leave in the next several months and had submitted the resumes of possible successors.

Starr's office has refused comment. The independant counsel said last week he hoped to wrap up the investigation and write a final report at the "earliest practicable moment." Starr told reporters he expected the work to be completed before the general election in November 2000, when Mrs. Clinton likely will be the Democratic nomi-nee for a U.S. Senate seat from New York.

In its ruling Wednesday, two members of the threejudge panel said the court didn't have the authority to go beyond a routine request to Starr asking where his work stood.



## **Contempt motion** filed against Bush

AUSTIN (AP) — The former head of the Texas Funeral Service Commission has asked that Gov. George W. Bush be held in contempt of court for denying that he had talked with the head of a company while it was being investigated by the agency.

Bush acknowledged Wednesday that he had a brief conversation with Robert Waltrip, chairman of Service Corp. International, a Houston-based funeral home company. But he said there was no discus-

sion of the commission's probe.

"It's a 20second conversation," said Bush, a GOP presidential hopeful. "That's hardly enough time to even say hello, much less sit down

and have a substantive discussion."

Whether Bush spoke with Waltrip while his company's embalming practices were being investigated has become an issue because of a whistleblower lawsuit filed by Eliza May, the former head of the commission.

Ms. May was fired in February, and she says she lost her job because of her agency's investigation of Waltrip's company, which has donated money to Bush. The governor is not a defendant, but she subpoenaed him to answer questions in the case.

Bush tried to have the subpoena dismissed. He filed an affidavit on July 20 stating: "I have had no conversations with SCI officials, agents or representatives concerning the investigation or any dispute arising from it."

Bush's spokeswoman, Linda Edwards, called Wednesday's contempt motion "nothing more than a publicity stunt." Bush called the case frivolous and said it was politically motivated.

Ms. May is a former treasurer of the state Democratic Party.

The Funeral Commission inquiry resulted in a recommended fine of \$445,000, SCI is fighting the fine and says the agency misinterpreted state embalming law.

Ms. May's contempt motion accuses Bush of making "false, misleading and deceptive" statements in the affidavit. Her lawyers cite a Newsweek magazine article that recounted a conversation between Bush and Waltrip on

April 15, "It's a 20-second conver-1998. sation. That's hardly enough Waltrip and SCI lobbyist time to even say hello, much Johnnie less sit down and have a Rogers had substantive discussion." come to the governor's

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> Allbaugh, Bush's executive assistant, a copy of a letter addressed to the head of the Funeral Commission. It complained of tactics being used in the inves-tigation, SCI spokesman Bill Miller said.

> He said Waltrip and Rogers were waiting to give a copy to Allbaugh when Bush walked out, on his way elsewhere. Allbaugh now manages Bush's presidential campaign.

Newsweek reported that, according to Rogers, Bush said to Waltrip, "Hey Bobby, are those people still mess-ing with you?"

When Waltrip responded yes, the magazine reported, Rogers said the governor turned to him and said: "Hey, Johnnie B. Are you taking care of him?" Rogers said he replied, "I'm doing my best, governor."

Rogers hasn't returned calls from The Associated Press

"All I know is it lasted no time. And that hardly constitutes a serious discussion." Bush said.

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