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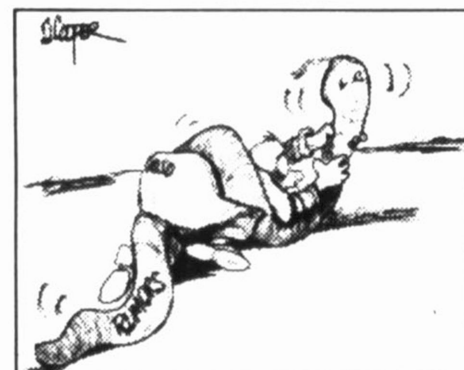
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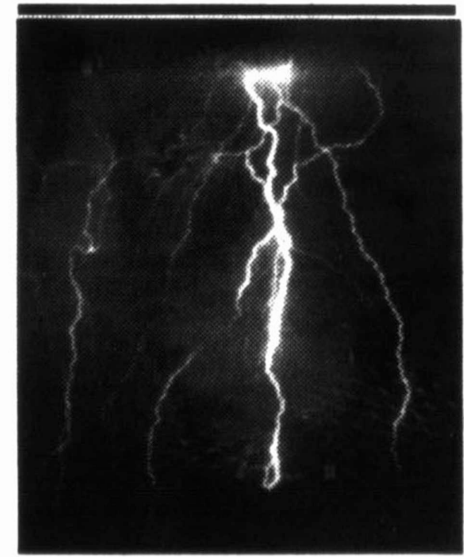


Why furor now?

The \$14.5 million facilities grant received by the school district didn't change -- just the semantics.

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Today's weather OUTLOOK



Mostly cloudy skies

Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, locally heavy rainfall possible, lows in the upper 40s.

Sunday, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly in the morning, becoming partly cloudy with a high around 70.

Extended forecast

Monday, partly cloudy, lows near 50, highs near 80.

Tuesday, partly cloudy, lows around 50, highs in the lower 80s.

Wednesday, partly cloudy, lows in the upper 40s, highs near 80.

Friday recap

High, 55; low, 48; precipitation, 1.37 inches.

Leaving the board

"In a way, I hate to leave the board because it's a critical time and there are some difficult decisions to make."
Chris Leonard

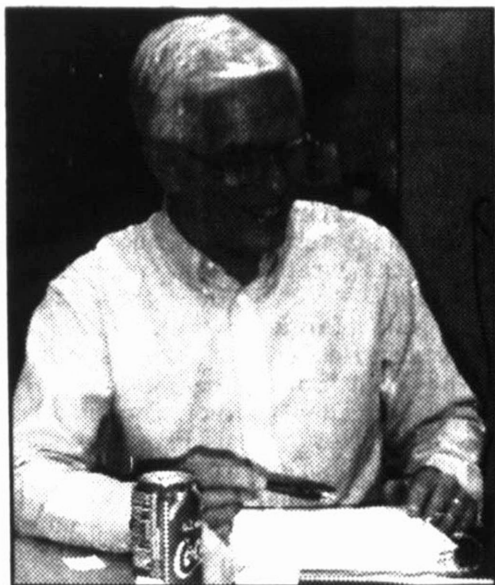
3 agree: Critical time for hospital

By Don Cooper

The last official actions of three Deaf Smith County Hospital District board members will be to sign off on the election of their successors.

Outgoing board president Mal Manchee and Directors Chris Leonard and Chip Guseman will join the other members of the board in canvassing the results of Saturday's election when the board meets at 6 p.m. Monday in the Hereford Regional Medical Center board room, 801 E. 3rd.

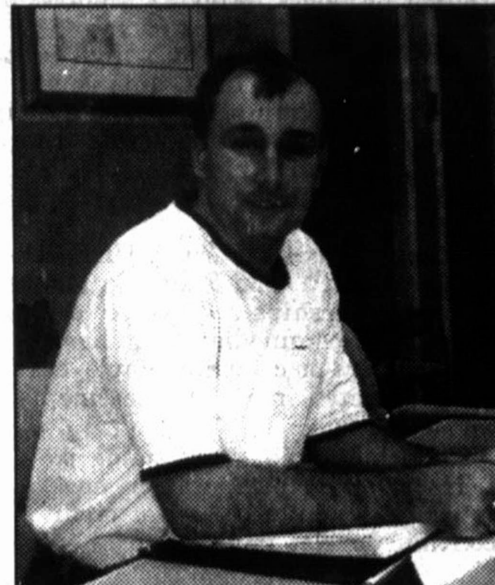
Manchee, Leonard and Guseman decided not to seek new terms on the board this year. Leonard and Guseman were elected two years ago, while Manchee has been on the



MAL MANCHEE



CHIP GUSEMAN



CHRIS LEONARD

board for eight years.

Manchee said he is most pleased to have seen a return to financial stability at the hospital.

"When I first ran ... we were in very fragile condition. Now we're in a very good financial position -- we have about \$2 million in reserve," Manchee said.

"When I came on the board, we couldn't buy Cokes on credit, now we're in a position to do what we need to do," he said.

Manchee said the new medical office complex, which was built adjacent to the existing hospital, drew some disparaging remarks within the community, but he said the construction of the new building gave the hospital board "something to deal with. The new building is completely mobile. It allows flexibility, and it also can be moved -- it can be sold and then moved. I'm proud of it, and it serves the purpose" for which it was built.

In looking ahead for the new board, Manchee said the decision about the future of the hospital will be the most critical problem to confront.

The new board will have to decide if it wants to try to build a new hospital, renovate/expand the existing facility, or maintain the status quo, he said.

"We also have to stabilize our

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PBS liked what Daniels remembered

By Becky Thorn

Memories of the Dust Bowl are vivid for many, even though it has been 60 years since the rains came ending the drought that had lasted for the better part of a decade.

Margie Daniels is one of those who grew up during the drought years of the 1930s and remembers how it was.

Her memories earned her a spot in a PBS production released last year and which has aired again this month titled "Surviving the Dust Bowl."

Daniels had originally contacted PBS when she learned they were doing a film about the Dust Bowl because she thought some of the members of Hereford Senior Citizens would have stories to relate.

Chana Gazit, who produced the film, came to Hereford and interviewed several people, including Daniels, at the Senior Center.

In August 1997 Gazit called

Daniels and asked to schedule her at a bed and breakfast in Amarillo for a taping.

"She told me I had related memories of one of the stories they wanted," Daniels said.

After spending more than two hours in the taping session, Daniels didn't hear much more about the video.

"It was supposed to come out in November or December, but it didn't. So I thought, 'Well, that went down the drain. They're not going to do anything with it,'" Daniels said.

Then in the early part of 1998 she received a postcard saying that "Surviving the Dust Bowl" would premiere March 2 in New York.

She received a preview copy in the mail and was astonished to find that she had a major part in the production.

"I watched it for the first time through my fingers like when I was

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Margie Daniels still has very vivid memories of the Dust Bowl, a drought that lasted most of the 1930s and devastated farming communities across the heartland of the U.S. She was one of the people featured in a Public Broadcasting System special that was rebroadcast last week.



County holds title as 'Cattle Feeding Capital of World'

By Don Cooper

Deaf Smith County feedyards set a new record by feeding 1,080,166 head of cattle in 1998, according to the annual fed cattle survey conducted by Southwestern Public Service Co.

The county total, which first topped one million in 1996, was 1,019,545 in 1997, and the new record was 60,621 higher. Deaf Smith again was far ahead of any other county in the SPS region when it comes to cattle feeding, ratifying its claim as the "Cattle Feeding Capital of the World."

Market prices tumbled during the year, primarily because of the severe drought that forced many producers to reduce their herds. Although the prices climbed gradually during the year, 1998 ended with the retail beef price still below the 1992-96 average.

The annual SPS survey tracks the number of cattle passing through feedyards in the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles, the Texas South Plains, eastern New Mexico and southwestern Kansas.

The total number of cattle fed in

this SPS area was 7,100,834. With a total of 2,328,692, the "golden triangle" of Deaf Smith, Castro and Parmer counties accounted about 32.8 percent of the total fed cattle in the SPS area.

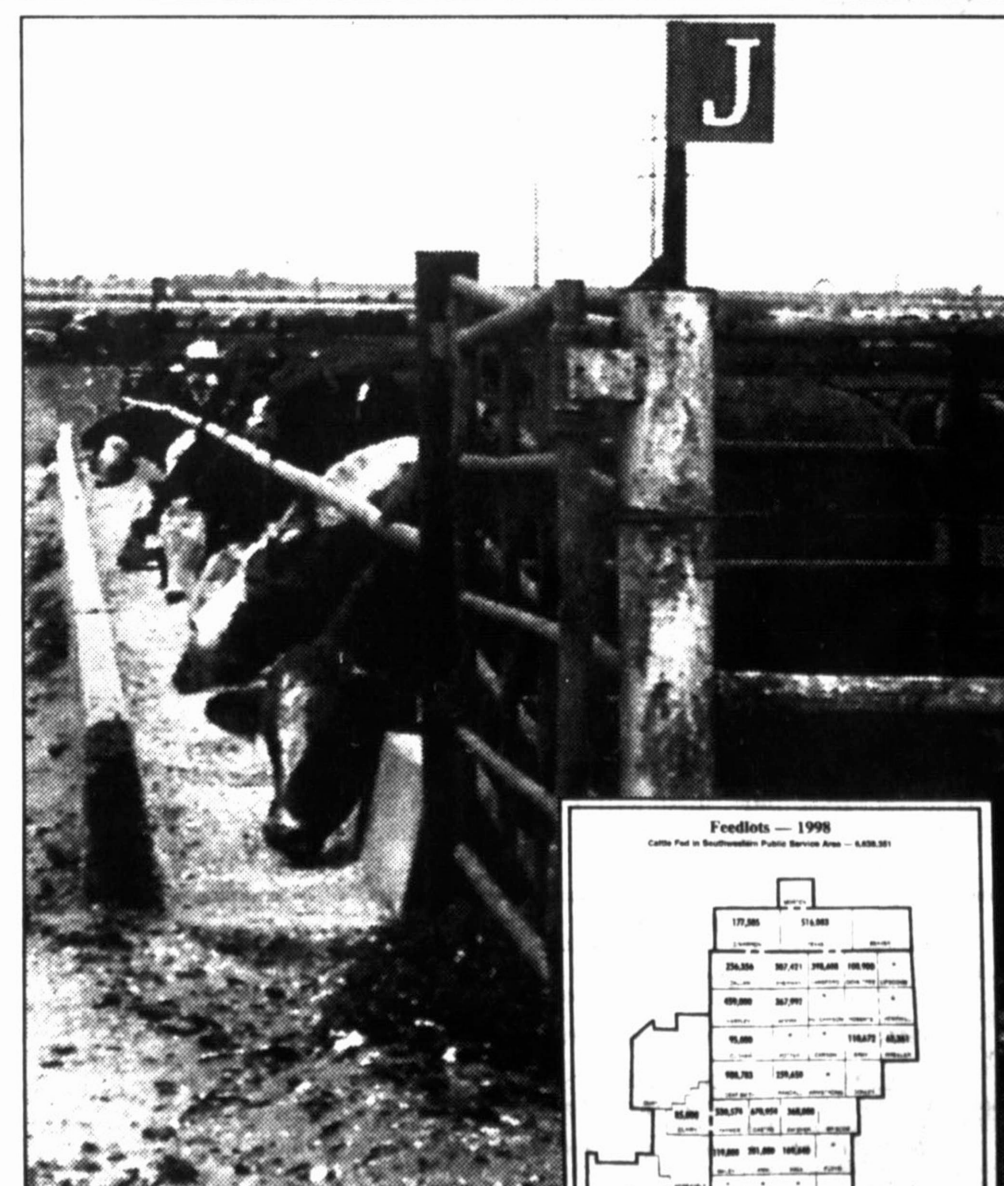
Castro County was second to Deaf Smith with 670,954, up slightly from 669,477 in 1998. Parmer County totaled 577,574, down from 589,124 the previous year. Texas County in Oklahoma was fourth at 516,083, down from 532,738 in 1998.

The survey included fed cattle totals from 103 feedyards in the region with 5,000 or more capacity and 90 were in Texas. Deaf Smith was top with 17 lots at or above the 5,000 mark. Total feedyards surveyed was 116, with 13 of less than 5,000 head or starter lots.

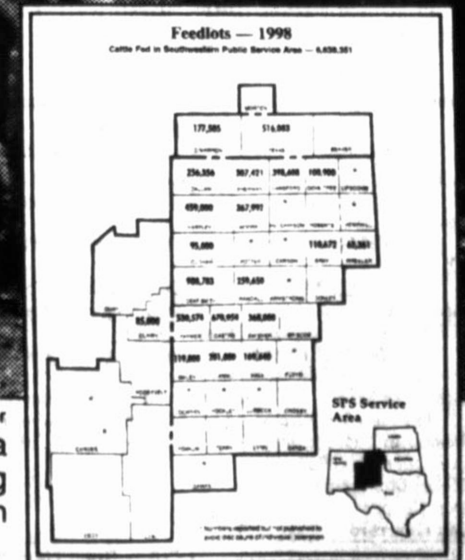
The SPS survey also reported that 14 packing plants in the region slaughtered 5,384,304 cattle in 1998. One plant, Caviness Packing Co., is in Deaf Smith County.

The "big three" plants in the area are Excel, with a 1.1 million capacity in Plainview and 1 million capacity in Friona; Iowa Beef Proces-

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These cattle, shown recently in a Hereford area feedyard, are among more than 13 million fed in Deaf Smith County during 1998.



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TxDOT has funds available for transportation programs

Special to The Brand

AMARILLO — Panhandle area non-profit agencies may now apply for federal funds to help provide public transportation to the elderly and people with disabilities. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Amarillo Division is asking private, non-profit agencies to apply for its Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 grant program.

The goal of the program is to provide assistance in meeting the transportation needs of elderly and/or people with disabilities where public transportation services are unavailable, insufficient and inappropriate.

The Section 5310 grant

program provides 80 percent of the funds for a selected agency's purchase of a vehicle to transport the elderly and/or people with disabilities. The agency must provide the remaining 20 percent of the funds.

Applications are reviewed by a local panel. The funds will be granted to agencies that serve both rural (under 50,000) and urban (above 50,000) populations. Applications will be accepted through May 14.

For more information, contact Bill Harvey, Amarillo District's Urban Transportation Planner, at 356-3200.

Also, TxDOT is seeking project nominations to the Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program.

Transportation enhancements are provided by the new federal transportation bill, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21).

The Amarillo District of TxDOT will conduct an enhancement funds workshop 10 a.m.-noon May 6 at the Department of Public Safety office, 4200 Canyon Drive in Amarillo.

For more information, call Cheryl Luther at 356-3249.

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Career Day — Kie Watkins, an Assistant Criminal District Attorney in Roland Saul's office, talked about his job Friday during Career Day at Bluebonnet Intermediate School. Watkins and several other professionals made presentations to the students, who already are thinking about what they want to do when they grow up.

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Poet's corner

A Woman and Mother

(Jerry Ratliff)

Well, it's three in the morning now; it's magic time

From somewhere inside comes the birth of a rhyme

There's trips and traps and lollipop naps
Lovers and Mothers and babies in laps
Woman and Mother, the wisdom of a sage
The eyes of soul and maturity of age
From tyke to toddler, from teen to trials
From joy to pain, tempered by miles
A long day ends with tiredness and a sign
But alert in the night for a baby's soft cry
Outer strength at times, inner strength to be sure

A Mother's love will always endure
Family, friends and community, she leaves no one out

Always willing to help of this there is no doubt
There's football in the winter, baseball in the summer

Winning is great, but losings a bummer
Now the town shuts down because it's Friday night

Is it victory or defeat for the maroon and white?
Spirals and punts fill the night air
Is the referee neutral, is the referee fair?
With the last faded whistle and roar of the crowd
Is the Locker room silent or is the locker room loud?

Fathers sometimes get angry when they stare at defeat

But Mothers support is often quite neat
Not to put down fathers, a sister or brother
But the glue is always a woman and mother
Now it's back to school and English 101
Sometimes its tough and sometimes its fun
I wonder sometimes, is it farther or further
Answer: Ask a teacher, a Woman and Mother
Not meaning to violate the space of another
Just watching the unfoldment of a Woman and Mother

A rose is symbolic a flower like no other
The opening of a heart of a Woman and Mother.

Poet's Corner accepts poems of any form or style to 40 lines. All submissions should include the poet's name. Poems may be delivered to The Brand, 313 N. Lee, or mailed to P.O. Box 673, Hereford 79045.

ENMU joins scholarship program

Special to The Brand

PORTALES — Eastern New Mexico University is participating in the Wal-Mart Competitive Edge Scholarship Program. The scholarship is designed to assist academically talented students in pursuing technology-related degrees at Eastern.

The Wal-Mart Competitive Edge Scholarship covers tuition, fees, books, room and board. It is a \$5,000 annual award to be divided between the fall and spring semesters. It can be maintained up to four years for a total of \$20,000 if the student meets the renewal criteria.

To apply for the scholarship, students must be an incoming freshman at Eastern, a U.S. citizen, must apply for financial aid, must have either at least a 27 on the ACT or an 1100 on the SAT, a high school grade point average of at least 3.5, and must rank in the top 10 percent of their class. The deadline to apply is May 14.

For more information, contact Lisa Obenhaus in the ENMU Office of Development at 505-562-2824.

Thanks

for the memories, Speedy

I cannot find the words to express my family's gratitude to the many friends, relatives, employees at The Hereford Brand and North Plains Printing who have shown in their personal ways how much they thought of Speedy.

Speedy was so proud of all the staff at The Brand and North Plains Printing for winning General Excellence and Sweepstakes at the Panhandle Press Convention in April. He wanted each one of the employees to know that. It gave him such a great feeling to know Mauri Montgomery is now the new "boss". Mauri has proved himself over and over.

For all the notes and cards we have received from so many newspaper friends across the state who said Speedy gave them their first job, or encouraged them in some way - it is just overwhelming.

To the editors and publishers of Roberts Publishing Co. who ran a full page advertisement paying tribute to Speedy, we thank you. I can imagine Speedy telling the late James Roberts he didn't know what all the "to do" was about.

We want to thank each and every one of you who attended Speedy's memorial service - whether you were from here or down the road somewhere. He would have never expected a full house unless it was a benefit to raise funds for a worthy cause.

It was such a comfort to have my church family surround me with love. But, it went further than that. Our friends are from all churches and you also are so comforting to us.

I can't express enough appreciation to Rev. Terry Cosby for being with us so many times. He's a good one to lean on. The service was just the way we wanted it, with Polly Hays singing and accompanied by Susan Shaw. What a talented threesome doing God's work!

We were very pleased with Parkside Chapel Funeral Home. They made our loss easier to bare.

My best friend and lover was a wonderful husband, Dad and Paw Paw. We'll all miss the Hereford Bull column with his wit and wisdom, but most of all his love for all of us. He was truly a good 'un!

God bless you.

Laron, Craig
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EDITORIAL

Why are we having this furor now?

The Hereford Independent School District's acquisition of a \$14.5 million facilities grant didn't change, nor did HISD's yearly commitment to the grant, which was to be met through an 8.9-cent set-aside tax rate that was reported by the *Hereford Brand* as early as February 1998.

The only thing that changed were the semantics used to describe the grant to the public.

That change came about Tuesday when Superintendent Jack Patton was questioned in a local radio interview about the grant background, implementation and the bottom line to local taxpayers.

Patton's response to the "matching grant" reference in the interview was that the grant *could* be called a matching grant, but he added that whatever the title, the grant's description was still merely a play on words.

To a certain extent we agree, because the issue of what to call the grant, or further discussion of the processes and financing methods used to obtain it, is nearly two years too late.

While there is a great deal of merit in the argument that HISD hasn't been entirely forthcoming about its financial commitment to the grant, we believe it is also fair to say that concerns over the issue have been conveniently resurrected for political expediency, both internally and externally, within the district.

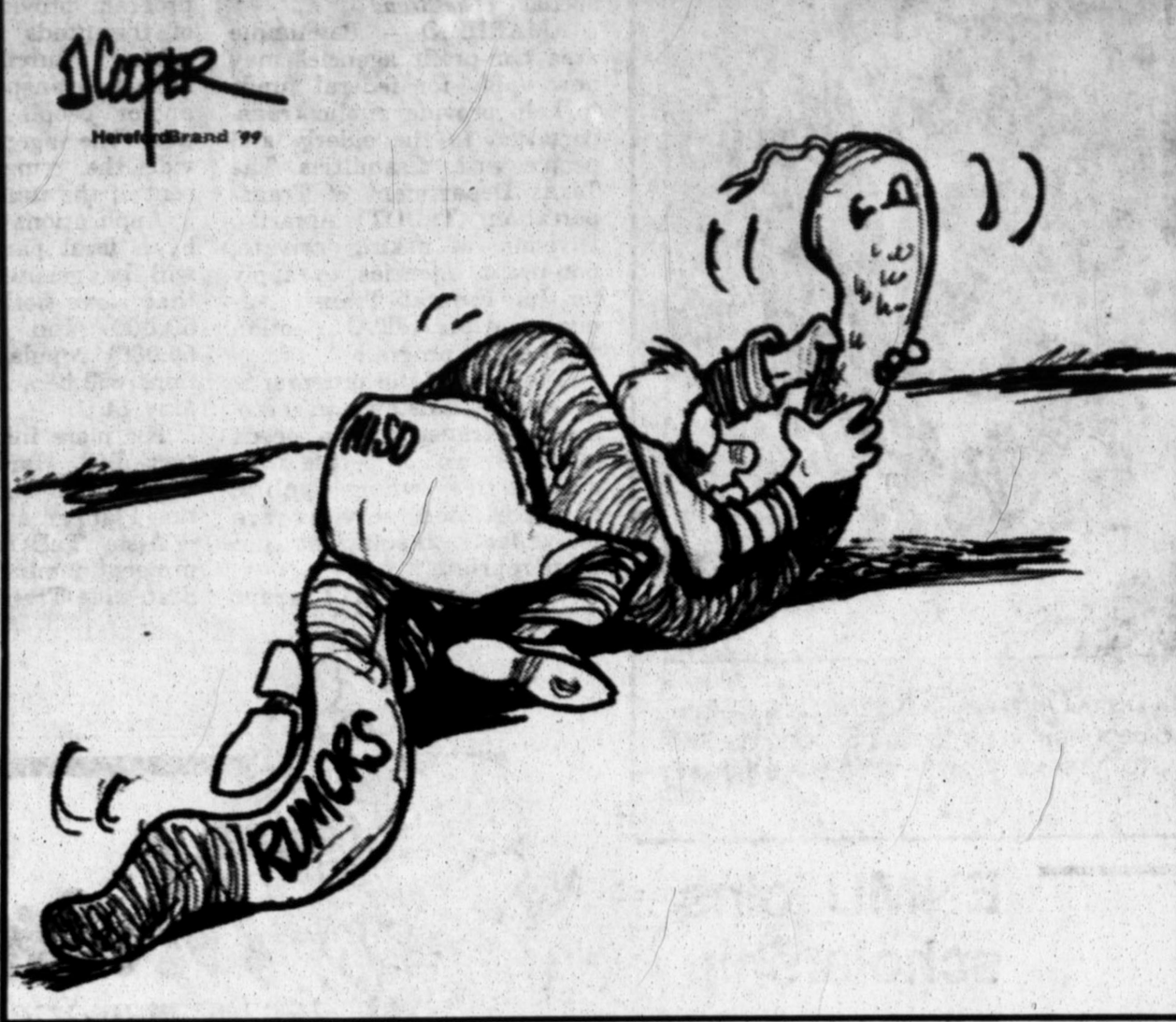
Leaks, which have spewed countless harmful rumors, innuendo and half-truths from the HISD administration building in recent weeks and months, seem to require more maintenance than the the worst roof or facility in the district.

Perhaps a share of the district's 40-60 split in this newest construction venture should be applied toward re-educating those professionals charged with running Hereford's largest business.

While the bulk of taxpayers seem to recognize the district's advantage in receiving *any* help from the state in *any* construction venture, they also recognize that new buildings are only as good as the professionals occupying them.

Some poor examples set recently by a few have been a disservice to the many quality educators we have within this community, and to the taxpayers who have been ultimately footing the bill for all the shenanigans.

And the issue of professional citizenship is never too late to address.



Cars no laughing matter

Experts say laughter turneth away wrath and laughter is the best medicine.

I'll bet those experts never had to deal with an automobile. For the life of me, I just can't find anything to laugh at regarding a car.

They break down at the most inopportune times, usually cost mega-bucks to repair; and have on occasion been known to take on personalities of their own.

My first car, a '63 Chevy Impala, only broke down when I was dressed in hose and heels and ready to go somewhere important — job interviews, my best friend's wedding, places which you normally only get to go to once. And not once did it ever break down while I was in jeans and t-shirt.

My favorite car, an '85 Chevy Cavalier very seldom broke down, but when it did, boy, did I know it.

My mother was leery of the Cavalier right from the start, mainly because of its color — bright lemon yellow. That alone caught my eye, but I can still hear Mama saying, "But, Ding, look at the color. Doesn't that tell you something?"

She got over her trepidations in time. I kept the little Yellow Jewel long enough to develop my own.

It ran fine as long as I remained in Texas, but it refused to travel out-of-state other than by way of tow truck.

The first time I realized the Yellow Jewel was strictly a Texas car was on a trip to Alabama. Just before I crossed from Texas into Louisiana, it blew the water pump. Between Louisiana and Mississippi, the fan motor gave out.

When I finally reached Alabama, I had to have a locksmith replace the ignition. I had no trouble with it once it found out we were going back to Texas.

I sold the Yellow Jewel to a kid who wanted it to go back and forth to college. I didn't realize he was traveling from Tech to Guyton, Okla.

I saw him about a year later and he told me every time he tried to go home, something else happened to the car.

Nelda June, a 1974 Ford Pinto, of course never did anything wrong.

It ran beautifully, until I got a bad case of new car fever. The minute I started looking at other cars, I swear it got jealous and started acting up.

The day I looked at a blue Buick, Nelda

Dianna F. Dandridge



The car I now drive has its own way of driving me crazy. Its favorite trick is the rattling hubcaps. I'll have the tires rotated and tell the mechanic to tighten the hubcaps, but within a week the stupid things are rattling and clanking.

June threw out the clutch plate. So I had it fixed, instead of buying a new car.

My attraction to a cute little Volkswagen caused her to blow a valve cover gasket. So, I fixed it.

Nelda June's greatest feat came the day she stalled in front of a drunken driver. Nelda June was totaled. My foot and nose were broken and I realized I shouldn't have looked at a beautiful silver and black GMC pickup.

I kept the Rambler only long enough to give it a name — Dudley. What does that tell you?

The car I now drive has its own way of driving me crazy. Its favorite trick is the rattling hubcaps. I'll have the tires rotated and tell the mechanic to tighten the hubcaps, but within a week the stupid things are rattling and clanking.

I've nearly taken care of that problem. I think I only have one hubcap left. It ought to start rattling next week.

The van, loveably known as the Go-Mobile, has a great sense of humor.

When it thinks I'm not paying it enough attention, it does something just to liven up the day.

Recently, I've had a problem with it losing water. My regular mechanic was out of town, so I finally took it to someone else. They quickly diagnosed the problem as either a blown head gasket or a cracked head.

Let me tell you, that caught my attention. To have the gasket alone repaired would cost nearly \$1,000. We didn't discuss the idea of a cracked head.

After a few days of worrying, my regular mechanic had the chance to look at it.

He cursed for awhile and proclaimed the Go-Mobile ran too good to have either problem. Two days later, he brought it back with a new radiator and a few smaller problems repaired.

I swear, the Go-Mobile was laughing. When I parked it that night I could almost hear it ask, "Did I get your attention?"

Kids you can at least attempt to reason with. Cars, you just gotta let them have their way.

What will be done? Not much



Don Cooper

In wake of the bloodbath at Columbine High School in Colorado, the national debate has focused on gun control, violent video games and the depiction of violence in the entertainment industry and the media.

What will come out of this national debate? I hate to be skeptical, but I suspect all we will see is a lot of posturing by politicians of all stripes until some other event captures the news media's attention.

But until then, we will be subjected to considerable debate about gun control. And, although I am a staunch supporter of strict gun control, I suspect there will be nothing of any substance coming out of Congress or the various state legislatures to deal with the proliferation of weapons in our over-armed society.

The same thing goes for the debate about violent video games, as well as violence in television and movies, and the media's graphic coverage of violence, especially in local TV newscasts which still observe the "if it bleeds, it leads" philosophy.

So, after all the sound and fury, nothing will be done — and after the next teen-ager or group of teen-agers go on a bloody rampage, we will again wring our hands and wonder how something like this could have happened.

Perhaps we need to look beyond guns, video games and the entertainment industry to the root of the problem — warehousing of our children.

What generally happens today when a baby is born? Within a few weeks, sometimes within a few days, the baby is stashed in a day care center when the new mother returns to her job, leaving the child to be raised by strangers.

Too many children are warehoused in day care centers, with the parents, both father and mother, only seeing their children in transit.

No wonder parents don't know what their kids are doing — they aren't there when the children are growing up.

There is a lot to be said for the "traditional" family, where one parent works outside the home and the other works in the home, caring for and guiding the children.

I realize this is not the complete answer. After all, some real monsters have come out of so-called traditional homes; however, I firmly believe the children will be less alienated and angry when they are nurtured in their own home rather than stuck in a children's warehouse with strangers.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Editorials

Here are excerpts from editorials in newspapers in the United States and abroad:

The News Herald of Panama City, Fla., on Colorado school shootings:

We know who is responsible for turning the Colorado high school into a killing field. ... We even know ... who possibly could have prevented it: Mike Vendegnina, or Alisa Owen, or Greg Barnes. Others, too, and students all.

Dylan Klebold, recalled fellow senior Vendegnina, "was into guns and stuff like that. We'd talk and joke around."

Klebold and Eric Harris always "were joking around saying, 'We are going to shoot you,'" Owen said.

It was Barnes who told the *Denver Rocky Mountain News* that no one took Harris and Klebold seriously. He needed no prompting to add, "That was a mistake." ...

It's not pleasant to imagine a school resource officer or an administrator asking parents to come in to talk about suspicions other students have of their son. But that apparently is the only prevention that can work. ...

In truth, the first defense against a situation like this is other students. It's politicians who cloud the issue.

The Times-Picayune, New Orleans, on Lessons from Littleton:

Maybe the Trenchcoat Mafia didn't seem any more threatening than other teenage cliques that adopt a certain look or attitude, even if that attitude was rebellious and antisocial. ...

But Tuesday's carnage at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., is a horrifying reminder to school officials everywhere that they need to be vigilant when it comes to violence. ...

The Littleton attack, after all, is not an isolated incident. Even as violence continues to decrease on school campuses nationwide,

More gun laws aren't solution to the problem

Dear Editor:

I am writing about the recent tragedy in Littleton, Colorado. I am appalled at the showboating and grandstanding that is going on by our president and numerous state and local officials. Many of these individuals are taking advantage of this horror to advance their political agendas. If that isn't bad enough, the direction they are going is going to cost us more lives in the long run. They either know it and don't care, or, their lack of knowledge regarding the subject is frightening. Frightening, because they do have a major effect in enacting legislation that would cause this.

Firearms are used defensively in this country between 1.5 and 2 million times each year. Allowing law-abiding adults to carry firearms concealed reduces violent crime in

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those states which enact it. I have a relatively simple solution to this most recent tragedy: **Arm some of the teachers!** Let a certain percentage carry concealed firearms, and don't let the students know who they are. This would work the same as it does on the streets and there are plenty of valid studies to back this up.

It concerns me that we are allowing some politicians, and some of our media, to lead us in the wrong direction. Particularly when it will cost us lives. We will get caught up in

the emotionalism and when they say "crack down on guns" we fall for it. I heard a lady who lost a child in a school shooting a while back say something to the effect of needing to handle the guns the same way as we handled the drunk drivers, as if we were successful. I wish to point out that she in the former is referring to an inanimate object (i.e., guns), and in the latter is referring to a person (i.e., drunk drivers). If we would take her example and repair its obvious shortcoming by changing "guns" to "criminals who use guns" I would wholeheartedly agree and say that we are finally getting somewhere. We could now deal with the actual problem and stop talking about ancillary issues. I liken the way we treat gun crime currently to

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with 90 percent of schools reporting no serious violent crimes, incidents like those in Pearl, Miss.; Paducah, Ky.; Jonesboro, Ark.; and Springfield, Ore., seem to signal a terrifying and deadly trend. Loners, kids who are teased and ostracized, turn to acts of unspeakable violence. Littleton's distinction is that it was the most deadly. ...

It's encouraging that many schools and communities aren't ignoring the potential for a tragedy in their midst.

But grants, workshops and programs can only do so much. The bottom line is paying attention, and everyone — parents, volunteers who work with youth, teachers, administrators and even other students — needs to have their antennae up. ...

Daily Jefferson County Union, Fort Atkinson, Wis., on school shootings:

In the minutes and hours after the first shots were fired in Littleton, Colo., the media were scrambling to piece together the scenario inside Columbine High School. ...

In the days that followed, however, the big question has

been: How can America stop tragedies such as this from happening again? And everyone seems to have a different answer.

There are those who would have us install metal detectors in our schools or require students to wear uniforms so no teen-ager feels or can be different and outside the pack.

There are others who tout stricter gun control, saying that curbing firearms' availability is the first step in halting violence. ...

While well-meaning, these are knee-jerk responses to a much deeper problem troubling America's children. ...

We don't claim to be psychologists, but it seems clear that many children are not learning two very basic concepts that previous generations were taught at home from early on: Respect and responsibility. ...

America has become a nation that treats the symptoms instead of the disease. Teaching respect and responsibility early on at home might not singlehandedly stave off an epidemic of school violence, but it is a

very good place to start. **Mainichi Shimbun, Tokyo, on high school shooting:**

Why do such shootings take place so often in U.S. schools? U.S. news organizations frequently point the finger at the violent images and story lines in video games and computer games. Victims of school shootings have filed lawsuits against the manufacturers of violent video games and software.

Americans tend to blame education and violent images in the media instead of the easy access to guns, which forms the backdrop to those incidents. The problem is the refusal by the United States to impose strict controls on gun ownership. ...

No matter how much President Bill Clinton calls for education reform, such tragedies will be repeated at U.S. schools as long as guns are easily accessible. ...

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An exit strategy for Kosovo

By Bob Palmer

Mount Pleasant Daily Tribune

"Come on all you big strong men."

"Uncle Sam needs your help again."

"Got himself in a terrible jam, way down yonder in Kosovo."

"Well, it's one, two, three."

"What are we fighting for."

"Don't ask me, I don't give a damn."

"Next stop is Kosovo."

"Whoopee! We're all going to die."

This '90's version of "Vietnam Rag," sent to me by another Vietnam vet, has two problems. It doesn't rhyme and you shouldn't get Vietnam mixed up with Kosovo.

Certainly there are parallels between the United States' ill-fated adventure 30 years ago in Southeast Asia and the current Balkan conflict.

In both cases we are interjecting ourselves into what can be termed a civil war.

The national leadership is not one that inspires confidence for either purity of motive or military expertise.

GUEST COLUMN

While both the ethnic purging of Kosovo and the North Vietnamese assault on South Vietnam were bloody and brutal, one is barbarism based on race and religion while the latter was over political philosophies. We went to war in Vietnam to stop the spread of Communism. That may have been noble, but it was not sustainable given the nature of our allies, among other factors.

The closest allegory to Vietnam is not the geographic, cultural and ethnic roots of this struggle, but the manner in which the Clinton administration is managing the war.

It would be lovely if Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic would suddenly decide to agree to NATO's terms, but after a month of bombing, we need to start thinking of alternatives.

The absolutely worst idea that I have heard kicked around is to send U.S. ground

troops into Kosovo to stop ethnic cleansing. That would be attempting to choke a snake by grabbing its tail.

This ground war, if it does come, will not be as painless as Desert Storm, but neither should it be another Vietnam if it is properly planned and executed. ...

I am sure no one in this country wants to avoid allowing the Balkans conflict to become another Vietnam any more than Bill Clinton. Perhaps he has even told himself that if he does not send in the ground pounders, he will avoid that stigma.

The irony is, however, that as he balks at forcing the struggle to a successful conclusion, Clinton mirrors the indecisiveness and incrementalism of the Johnson administration and may be defining his own legacy of failure in Kosovo.

Bob Palmer is editor and publisher of the *Mount Pleasant (Texas) Daily Tribune*.

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Letter

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amputation of the arm because of an infection in the finger. I would go further by saying we're usually removing the opposite arm the infection is in. We must fix this, and do so immediately.

When your politicians make blanket statements regarding guns and crime, or anything for that matter, ask yourself if it sounds reasonable. As yourself if it contradicts anything that same politician has said in the past.

Diane Feinstein, senator from California, was complaining about magazines for firearms that held over 10 rounds. She was a co-sponsor of the bill that outlawed these. Why is she still talking about this like it never happened? Maybe because she's counting on you not knowing that they have been outlawed and that it didn't fix the problem she said it would. Maybe because she just likes to grandstand, misstate issues and facts, and to see her name on legislation. (Chuck Schumer from New York does the same thing.) She also spoke of a 250-round magazine. I have to ask if anyone has ever seen a magazine that large besides in the military for something mounted on a tank or aircraft.) America's government is based on an informed and involved populace. Do you have enough of the facts to be considered informed? Or are you going on blind emotionalism and costing people their lives?

David Jorgenson

CLARIFICATION

A letter to the editor in the April 25 edition of the *Hereford Brand* incorrectly identified the writer. The letter was written by Brian Lynn Brisendine, son of the publisher of the *Brownfield News*.

The newspaper regrets the error.

Mutual Fund Costs Decline

Smart investors have always known mutual funds are a good buy. Now there's proof.

A study published by the Investment Company Institute (ICI) found that the total cost of investing in equity (stock) mutual funds decreased by more than a third from 1980 to 1997. According to the study, the average cost of investing in equity funds declined from 2.25 percent of each dollar invested in 1980 to 1.49 percent in 1997.

The figures reflect total shareholder cost, which is the cost an investor should expect to incur in purchasing and holding mutual fund shares. It includes not only sales loads but also operating expenses and 12b-1 fees, an is comparable to the fee information required in every mutual fund prospectus.

Most other analyses of the costs of mutual fund ownership do not incorporate all of these expenses. Total shareholder cost comes closest to capturing real investor cost. Even "no-load" mutual funds have expenses, and these costs affect shareholders' returns.

The ICI study also found that large mutual funds had substantially lower operating expenses than small funds. In addition, the 100 largest funds in 1997 that also existed in 1980 experienced rapid growth and falling operating expense ratios between 1980 and 1997. Among these 100 funds, those that grew posted the largest reductions in operating expense ratios. This suggests that investors tend to concentrate their purchases among lower-cost equity funds. In fact, previous ICI research determined that 77 percent of shareholders' equity fund accounts are in mutual funds that charge annual fees below the industry's average.

What does all this mean to you? For one, bigger may be better in mutual funds - meaning the larger funds may be less expensive to own. And second, "no-load" does not necessarily mean "no-cost." If you have previously focused your attention only on sales charges, now you know that there are other expenses that make up total shareholder cost - and these expenses affect your return.

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Pentagon sees no 'Vietnam'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Yugoslav military is headed for a "dead end," and the United States is not headed for a gradual, Vietnam-style slide into a protracted war, Pentagon officials say.

Those contentions came Friday as the first group of 1,000 refugees from the fighting in Yugoslavia prepared to head for the United States. Some 45,000 Americans offered to help refugees forced from their homes in Kosovo by Yugoslav soldiers.

President Clinton, meanwhile, held out hopes that the United States and Yugoslavia's Serbian majority can reconcile.

In a speech to a group promoting art in U.S. embassies, he noted that the Serbs fought alongside the allies against Nazi Germany in World War II, and he conceded "they have their legitimate historical grievances — as do most ethnic groups in Europe, Asia, Africa or any other part of the world."

Yugoslav troops are running perilously low on fuel and other supplies.

THE HEREFORD BRAND Emergency services

HEREFORD POLICE May 1, 1999 Incidents

— A criminal trespass warning was issued to two women at a residence in the 300 block of South Texas;

— A 49-year-old woman was taken to Hereford Regional Medical Center for treatment after she reportedly attempted suicide;

— A stolen vehicle out of Parmer County was recovered;

— Burglary of a building was reported in the 900 block of Dairy Road;

— Domestic disturbances were reported in the 500 block of Roosevelt and 700 block of Irving.

Accidents

No injuries were reported in three two-car accidents occurring in the 200 block of Avenue F, 100 block of Avenue F and 800 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.



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Veazey back in class — Nena Veazey, the deputy superintendent for Hereford Independent School District, was out of the administration building and back in the classroom Friday as part of Career Day at Bluebonnet Intermediate School. Veazey, who began her career in education as a teacher before becoming an administrator, was one of several individuals who talked to the students about their occupations. Also making presentations were attorneys, representatives of the local Texas Workforce Commission and a Channel 10 news crew.

Texas writers being sought

Special to *The Brand*

DALLAS -- The Today Foundation and The Writer's Garret are teaming up a second time to produce *TEX!*, a magazine of Texas fiction and poetry to be distributed statewide.

TEX! will again feature works from prominent Texas poets and writers, and include works from new and emerging artists. The magazine also will feature original visual art by Texas artists. As with the first issue, *TEX!* will reach more than 150,000 Texans statewide, making it the largest circulating literary magazine in the country.

Selections will be made by *TEX!* editors from solicited manuscripts based on literary merit and ability to speak to a wide audience (with a PEG rating). Two works will also be chosen as 1st and 2nd prize in fiction and poetry through a blind, outside judging.

George Plimpton, celebrated author and founder/editor of *The Paris Review* will choose the fiction winners. Poet Joy Harjo (a recent nominee to the National Council on the Arts) will act

as poetry judge.

First prize in each category will be \$400. Second prize winners will receive \$200. Other published work will receive \$125 for short fiction and \$1.25 per line of poetry. You must be a past or current resident of Texas, or have worked or attended school in Texas to submit.

The deadline for submissions is May 15. The statewide release date for the second issue is set for early September.

Submission guidelines

• Send 5 copies of the typed, original unpublished manuscript; self-addressed, stamped, envelope (SASE); and cover sheet with name, address, phone number, title of work, and number of pages. Names should not appear anywhere else on the manuscript. Number the pages. A \$5 entry fee is required for each poem or short story. Total poetry submissions may not exceed 100 single-space lines. TOTAL fiction entries should not exceed 1,200 words (typed, double-spaced).

• Submissions must be postmarked by May 15, 1999. No submissions will be re-

turned.

• Mail submissions and checks to: Jack Myers (Poetry Editor) or Billy Bob Hill (Prose Editor), c/o the Writer's Garret, P.O. Box 140530, Dallas 75214-0530. Simultaneous submissions are not accepted.

Editors reserve the right to publish any submissions. *TEX!* also reserves the right to publish or excerpt the work in any available media, including, but not limited to the Internet. *TEX!* also retains first-time publishing rights, after which time all future rights revert to the author. The editors and publisher do request, however, that credit be given to *TEX!* at the time of subsequent printing. Winners will be notified by Aug. 1.

Teen-age use of alcohol topic of KACV program

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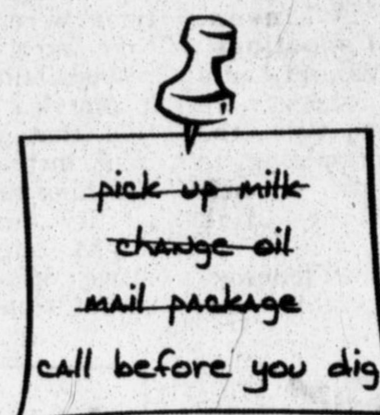
AMARILLO — Today, one in four high school students drinks alcohol weekly. People who are current alcohol users, age twelve and over, now number one hundred eleven million. Many drive under the influence.

KACV, the area Public Television station, tackles the issue of alcohol and teens on "Perspective: Underage Drinking," at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Host James Hunt will be joined by Sgt. Hank Blanchard of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission; Carol Allen, drug prevention specialist with the Amarillo Independent School District; and Lara Leigh Gist,

president of the Canyon High School Student Council, to discuss what is being done locally to slow the trend of teen alcohol consumption, particularly teen drunken driving.

"Every 15 minutes, someone in the United States is killed in an alcohol-related collision," Hunt said. "Unless we intend to outlaw alcohol completely, we've got to teach people to drink responsibly."

Viewers are encouraged to phone in their questions during the program, or e-mail the questions in advance no later than 4 p.m. Tuesday to erneal@actx.edu.



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Circus tickets available

Tickets for performances of the Carson & Barnes Circus are on sale at Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union, First Bank Southwest, First American Bank, Hereford State Bank and the Chamber of Commerce.

The five-ring circus performances will be 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

The circus features more than 40 individual acts, 90 performers and 17 elephants.

Tickets for children, age 12 and older, are \$10 in ad-

vance or \$12 at the gate.

Numerous local businesses have purchased complimentary tickets for all children, age 11 and under. The tickets will be distributed through the purchasing businesses or schools throughout the county.

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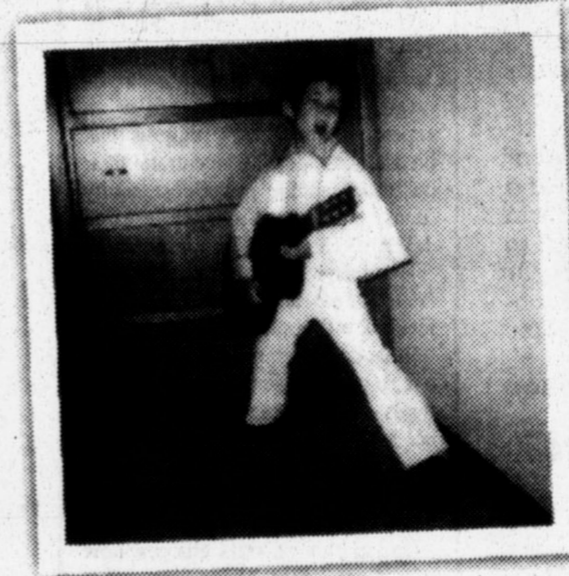
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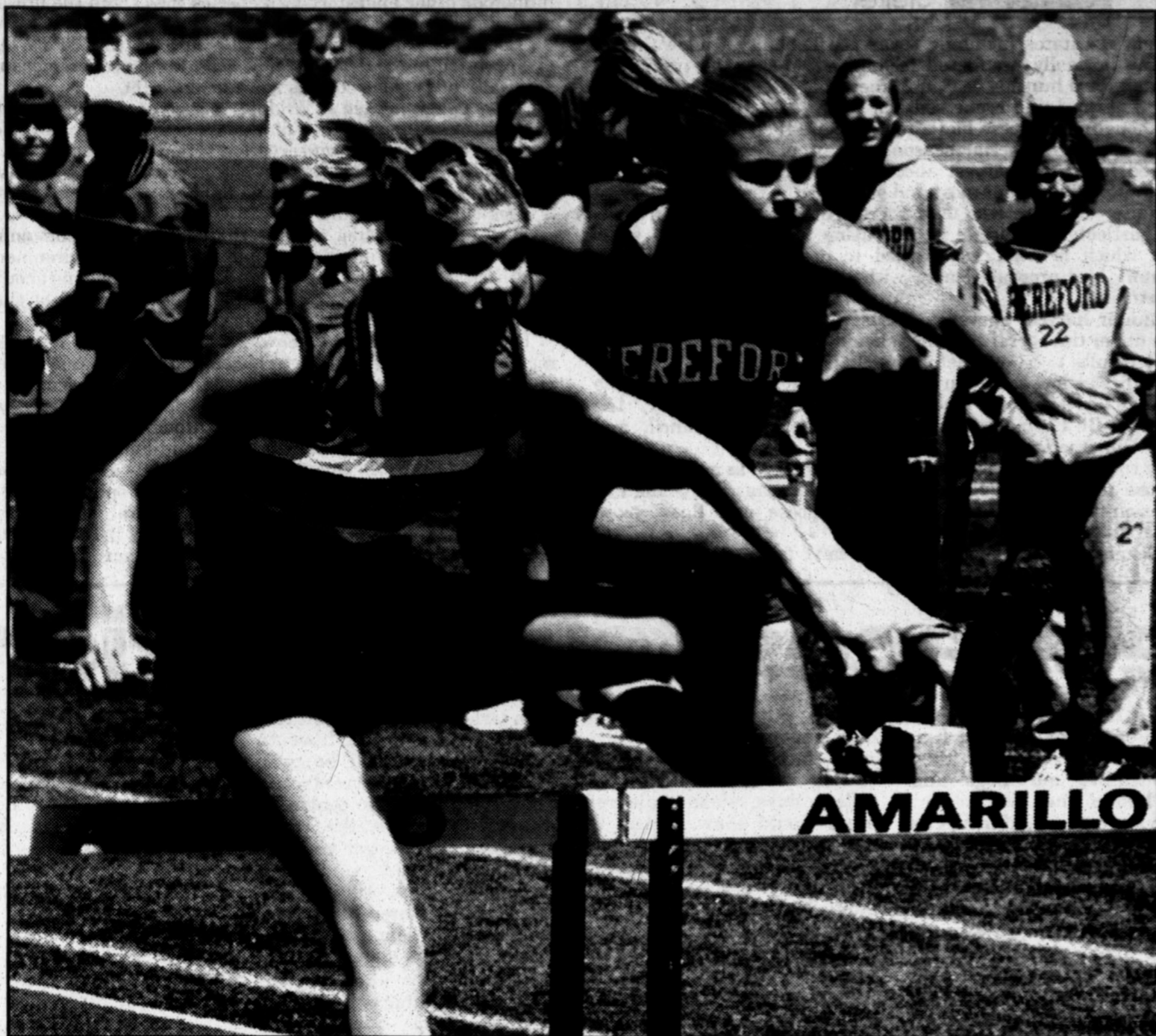
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SPORTS

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Downtime



Stormy weather delayed the preliminary Region 1-4A running events at the San Angelo State University Multipurpose Complex Friday evening. Only field event results were the posted due to weather delays, and Hereford had no finishers in the top six. The top two finishers in each event at the meet advance to the state meet scheduled May 14-15 in Austin.

Joe Torre delays return to dugout

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — With Joe Torre still too weak to return to the dugout, Don Zimmer remained as the New York Yankees' interim manager Friday night instead of going home to tend to his ailing knee.

Torre, who had prostate cancer surgery March 18, joined the team on the road for the first time since the regular season began, but said he's still not ready to handle the stress and pressure of managing.

"Why don't you ask me again in two weeks," Torre said before the Yankees opened a four-game series against Kansas City. "That's what I'm thinking about. I've never been through this so I don't know what the timetable is."

Torre, 58, led the Yankees to two World Series titles in three years, taking the team to an AL record 114 wins during the 1998 season.

Zimmer had hoped his friend would be able to return to the dugout Friday night.

"I hunger for it. But I know better right now," Torre said. "I feel good, but it's the stamina. I get tired in the evenings, and most of our work is in the evening. It's just that the days are a little too long sometimes. I'll be here through the weekend, just taking it as it comes."

Zimmer, 68, has promised to stay as long as Torre needs him even though he underwent arthroscopic surgery eight weeks ago on his right knee and is using a bat as a cane.

"I've been hurting for two months," Zimmer said. "Another month ain't going to hurt any more."

The Yankees went into Friday night's game atop the AL East with a 14-6 record.

"We've kept this thing going pretty good for him when he does come back," Zimmer said.

Wilcox wins 1999 HWBA bowler title



LINDA WILCOX

Linda Wilcox fought her way through an 18-bowler field to win the 1999 Hereford Womens' Bowling Association Bowler of the Year Award recently during the annual HWBA tournament. It was the second consecutive year Wilcox took

the crown, and she did it this year with a four-game sweep.

The top five qualifiers with handicap in the tournament were; Jamie Warren, 611; Linda Wilcox, 613; Nancy Ruckman, 624; Clea Weemes, 628; and Vicki Davis with 641.

Wilcox bowled a 199 with handicap in her first game to defeat Warren, who finished at 162 with handicap.

Wilcox then defeated Nancy Ruckman 198-153 with handicap before coming back to beat Weemes 202-195 with handicap in the third match, and 206-200 with handicap over Vicki Green in the final game.

Wilcox received a plaque and prize money as HWBA's top player of the year.

Sutton, Sindelar share lead

In PGA's Shell Houston Open

THE WOODLANDS, Texas (AP) — Hal Sutton and Joey Sindelar, co-leaders midway through the Shell Houston Open, insist there's too much golf left to consider themselves favorites to win the tournament.

"This is not a 36-hole tournament, this is a 72-hole tournament," Sutton said after his second 4-under-par 68 left him tied with Sindelar at 8-under 136 heading into today's third round. "I

promise you all those guys that are behind, they're trying to get to the top, just like I am."

Jeff Gallagher, making the cut for only the fourth time in 13 events this year, is one shot back after a 3-under 69 Friday, one better than Omar Uresti, Mark Wiebe and Australian Stuart Appleby, all at 6-under 138 after two rounds.

Unlike Sutton, though, Sindelar admits he's at least thinking about a victory.

"It's too early to think about winning," Sindelar said Friday after his second straight 68. "But walking home, yeah, I'll probably think about it."

It's been a long time — 1990 — since Sindelar has won on the PGA Tour.

"I'm in good position," he said. "Hopefully, I'll bring the same swing and the same putting strokes to the golf course."

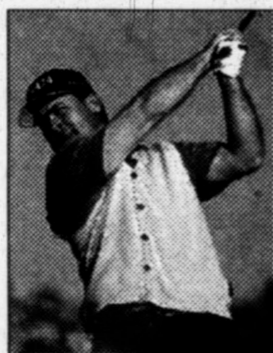
"Anybody in the top 25 or 30, basically, is where they want to be. Probably anybody at 3-under or better, or 2-under or better, somewhere in there, is happy to be there and knows they can still win if something happens."

That leaves some pretty good golfers, including David Duval, a four-time winner this year, the world's top-ranked player and the event's defend-

ing champion. Duval is in a group at 139 after a 2-under 70 Friday.

He flirted with the lead, getting to 7-under after 14 holes before taking a double-bogey 7 on the 15th when his drive went out of bounds and ended up in the back yard of a home bordering the Tournament Players Course at The Woodlands. He parred the last three holes, leaving him at 5-under.

Sutton, a two-time winner in 1998 and whose best showings this year are a pair of fourth-place finishes, had six birdies and two bogeys en route to his 68.



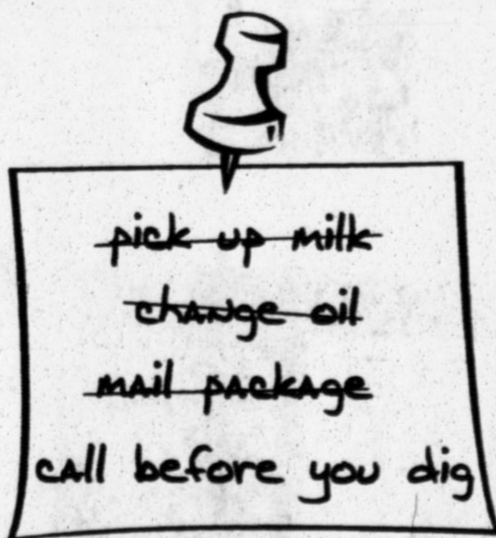
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EIS requirement may wreck liberalized snow goose hunting

Texas waterfowl hunters may have had their one and only shot at a late, liberal, and effective conservation action aimed at reducing the mid-continent population of snow geese—at least for a while—courtesy of the misdirected efforts of the Humane Society of the United States. (Not to be confused with the American Humane Society, which has long exhibited reason and good science in its approach to animals.)

State waterfowl hunters may not get a chance at another extended snow goose season in the year 2000 unless the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service gets an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) completed in record time.

Due to a court opinion, the Fish & Wildlife Service is withdrawing liberal late-season snow goose harvest measures, pending the completion of the EIS. F&WS must also evaluate long-term options for managing light geese.

This year's late light goose season wasn't impacted by the fourth quarter legal shenanigans of the HSUS. Its short-term measures including electronic calling, unplugged shotguns, extended hunting hours, and elimination of bag and possession limits enhanced the harvest of light geese in Texas—the task it was supposed to accomplish.

FWS has reluctantly decided to pull the plug—at least for now—on short-term measures to reverse ongoing destruction of arctic breeding habitats caused by exploding light goose populations—thanks to the HSUS legal challenge.

A federal judge ruled in favor of the Fish & Wildlife Service and denied a request by the HSUS for a preliminary injunction that would have halted the 1999 conservation action. He did find cause to believe that a full EIS, rather than a more easily-done and concise Environmental Assessment (EA) that had already been performed by the Service, is likely required by the National Environmental Policy Act.

Sadly, because the EIS process is prolonged, FWS officials believe a final decision probably can't be made in time to re-introduce the liberal means and methods of the special late snow goose conservation action for next season.

Special conservation rules for 1999 were implemented February 16 after several delays, and carried through April 25.

The Sportsman's Den



By
Jim
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They gave 24 states, including Texas, the flexibility to allow the use of many normally prohibited techniques outside the traditional migratory bird hunting season frameworks after the closure of all other waterfowl and crane seasons.

"Although snow geese had already begun their migration north by the time the special season was in place, Texas hunters reported increased harvest success under liberal methods that were pretty effective for most and succeeded in increasing harvest per hunter for those who used them. The liberalized regulations were particularly effective in increasing the take of adult snow geese, which is what we wanted to do," said Vernon Beville, migratory bird program leader with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.

A hunter harvest survey to assess the light goose harvest in Texas under the liberalized rules should be forthcoming soon, with survey results to be completed in August.

Liberalized snow goose harvest regulations are supported by the Canadian government, the National Audubon Society, the American Bird Conservancy, the Ornithological Council, and Ducks Unlimited.

Snow goose hunting regulations were liberalized as an immediate response to an impending ecological crisis caused by massive expansion of the mid-continent snow goose and Ross' goose population.

Adult mortality rates for light geese have fallen steadily during

the past three decades, due to increased agriculture and refuge development along snow goose flyways in the Midwest and South. Snow geese have found abundant winter forage in these regions, their numbers have grown explosively due to steadily declining adult mortality rates.

The light goose population may number six million birds—a population far higher than the fragile arctic tundra, with its short growing season, can support.

Massive numbers of light geese have denuded large areas of their breeding ground in the Hudson Bay region of all vegetation with overgrazing and grubbing of roots. Scientists believe this destruction of arctic tundra may be contributing to the decline of numerous other migratory bird species that share the breeding ground and winter in the U.S.

Andrew Sansom, executive director of the TP&WD, is disappointed in the delay in snow goose conservation measures, especially after their success in Texas in 1999.

"We believe the Fish & Wildlife Service used sound scientific analysis in addressing the snow goose crisis. Our commission's adoption of the special conservation action in Texas, as well as the widespread participation in the harvest effort by hunters, illustrates Texas' support and willingness to help resolve this problem," says Sansom.

"It's unfortunate that a group that claims to support animal rights would take a stand that could threaten the environmental health of the light goose population as well as impacting about 30 other species of birds, and more than a dozen species of plants that are being destroyed by overgrazing," he says.

Locally, the extended snow goose season and liberalized regulations, particularly electronic calling, were a great success and gave High Plains hunters a chance to reap some of the bounty of light geese they often have little chance at, especially when migrating snows begin passing through this area after the closure of the regular goose season in mid-February.

Hopefully, FWS will complete its EIS rapidly and have liberal conservation measures back on the table as an option in time for the year 2000 late season and beyond. Several years of these liberalized regulations will likely be necessary if Texas hunters are to make a dent in the light goose population.

Female referee faces fewer barriers

In second year of NBA officiating

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Dee Kantner was on her way to do a Hornets game in her hometown when a guard stopped her at the back gate of the Charlotte Coliseum.

"I'm here to referee the game," Kantner told the man.

"Yeah, sure," he replied. "So am I."

After proving she really was about to officiate an NBA game, Kantner got through the door. Seventeen months after she and Violet Palmer became the league's first two female referees, there are still barriers to cross.

But, near the end of her second season, Kantner says those barriers are fewer and less imposing.

"Whether it's delusion or not, I feel pretty much accepted — as much as a referee can be accepted," Kantner said after an appearance as a panelist at the Women's Sports Foundation summit. "I don't feel singled out being a woman. ... From the fans, every once in a while you hear something gender specific, but you tolerate that from fans."

Things weren't so low key during Kantner's first few games, when her mere presence seemed big news.

"I was afraid to scratch," she said. "Every time I turned around there was a camera."

Kantner's appearance at the summit was a rare chance to see the vibrant personality behind the polyester-dressed, pony-tailed official on the court.

The NBA generally does not make referees available for interviews, so everything about the 38-year-old woman — the brown hair flowing past her shoulders, the rings on the fingers, the quick wit and behind-the-scenes stories — were new to much of the audience.

"Did I want to be an NBA official?" she said, throwing a funny face. "No! Absolutely not. I'm an engineer by vocation. I worked 13 years in the corporate life."

Kantner moonlighted most of those years working women's college basketball, including NCAA Final Four games. The NBA called in 1995 and invited her and Palmer to camp. After being assured it wasn't a publicity gimmick, Kantner showed up and had to deal with her novelty value right away when a player cursed her twice in her first game on her first day.

The first offense drew a technical foul. Then the player said, profanely: "What's a woman doing on the floor anyway?"

Palmer stayed calm and said, "You're gone."

"I threw him. I had to. It was the first time in 15 years I had thrown someone out of a game," Palmer said. "He was testing me. They were testing me. What's a woman doing at an NBA camp anyway?"

"Word got out quickly. I didn't have to be tough any-

more. They realized I had a sense of humor. We had fun. By the end of camp, they were calling me 'Legs' and who knows what else."

Four years on, Kantner is simply one of the crew.

"I didn't even notice her," Washington guard Chris Whitney said after Kantner worked a Cavaliers-Wizards game Thursday night. "I think the referee does a good job when you don't notice

they're out there, and we didn't notice her tonight."

In fact, Kantner's horror stories come mostly from her college days, when male referees would show her up by making calls in her area or patronize her with comments such as "I'll protect you, little lady." More than once, there were heated exchanges in the officials' locker room at half-time.

"Is everyone going to be

wonderful to you? Absolutely not," she said. "You have to figure out who will be, who won't be, and take control of things you can take control of yourself — know the rules, maintain fitness, get your reports in on time."

Kantner took out an eye chart and a "three blind refs" T-shirt that friends had given her at a college game.

Although she never dreamed of being an NBA ref,

Kantner says she has an "incredible passion" for the job and would like to see more female colleagues join the ranks. Her advice to her audience: Climb the ladder the right way — with hard work.

"You don't need to flirt with the guys to get an assignment," Kantner said. "Nothing will drive us crazier. We don't want women to be recognized for that."

Rules of GOLF

Editor's Note: Upon the suggestion of one of our regular readers, who finds great frustration in playing with those who fain ignorance of golf rules sanctioned by both the United States Golf Association and The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Scotland, we've decided to publish the Rules of Golf each week in our summer sports pages when space permits.

Also Note: We won't argue that sometimes ignorance is bliss.

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Rain shortens LPGA tour classic

MURRELLS INLET, S.C. (AP) — When Michelle Estill woke to wind, rain and cold Friday at the LPGA City of Hope Myrtle Beach Classic, one thought jumped in her head. "It's movie day," she said. About an inch of overnight rain and the threat of more throughout the day led the LPGA to cancel the round and shorten the tournament to 54 holes. To Estill, whose 72 was four shots behind leaders Judy Inkster and Amy Benz, dealing with rain is part of the job — and a nice break in the grind of weekly tournaments.

She still planned to work out and stretch, but then she and Gail Graham were going to check out Sean Connery's new movie, "Entrapment." Players wore layers of windshirts, sweaters and rain pants to make it through Thursday's opening round. Graham dreaded going through that again, with temperatures no higher than 50 degrees. "When you heard it rain all night and you're sort of anticipating not playing, you're kind of almost glad when you're not," said Graham, who started with a 75.

The field will be cut after Saturday's round. When the LPGA came to this town two years ago, it hoped to take advantage of the area's reputation as one of the country's top golf vacation spots. But last year, organizers had to stop play twice because of rain in the second round. In the tournament's inaugural year, strong winds rattled concession tents and messed with club selections. "The wind was blowing 40 mph and the temperatures were in the 60s. That was a fun day," Christie Kerr said.

Despite Thursday's conditions, 55 players were at par 72 or better at Wachesaw East Golf Club. There were 18 within two shots of Inkster and Benz, who shot 4-under 68s. Those are the lucky ones, said Jean Bartholomew. "Having a good round yesterday puts then up there," she said. "If it's nice on the weekend like they say, it puts them in good position. Bartholomew, who was third at last week's Chik-fil-A event, was 10 shots behind. "It was definitely an ad-

vantage to get out early," Benz said. "I think we all anticipated it being a lot worse out there." Karrie Webb, the season's top money-winner, led a group of six at 69. She is looking for her third straight Myrtle Beach title. "You have to be patient in these conditions," she said. "You always hit a club shorter with it being so cold out and having so many clothes on." No one had enough clothes to deal with Friday's drenching. Emilee Klein battled her large golf umbrella to make it through the parking lot.

Tournament executive director Rosemary Nash said the driving range was under water and all the players had left by 10 a.m. "It kind of throws you off a little bit," Graham said. "But if you kind of had a rough day, it kind of gives you a chance to regroup a little bit, too." Bartholomew couldn't believe that International Falls, Minn., — where temperatures were closing in on 80 — was warmer than Myrtle Beach. "It's the coldest part of the country right now," she said.

Indiana nips Atlanta Hawks in overtime, 92-90

To hold Central Division lead

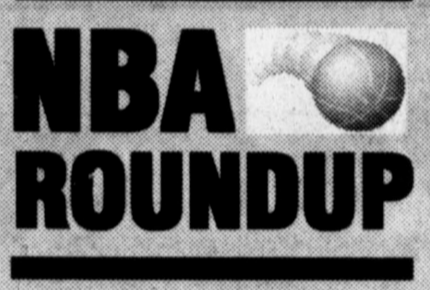
By The Associated Press
A loss would have knocked the Indiana Pacers out of the Central Division lead and into fourth place in the conference. And when Steve Smith tied the game with a 3-pointer at the end of regulation, sending owner Ted Turner into a high-fiving frenzy, it looked like this might not be the Pacers' year. "They knocked down a shot that would have taken the life out of a lot of teams," Mark Jackson said. Not this team. Jackson hit a key shot in the final minute of overtime and the Pacers shook off Smith's heroics for a 92-90 victory at Atlanta that snapped the Hawks' seven-game winning streak. Indi-

ana extended its Central Division lead to 11 1/2 games. "Man, what a win," Jackson said. "This is a quality win against a team that was fighting for the division title along with us. It's not over, but we came into their building ... and we have to feel good about ourselves." Elsewhere, Utah downed Houston 91-78. Cleveland defeated Toronto 91-83, Detroit beat Milwaukee 81-76, Minnesota edged Golden State 90-85, Seattle beat Denver 111-101, Orlando defeated New Jersey 107-95 and Charlotte nipped Chicago 92-88. Indiana practiced together for months during the lock-out, expecting to be a championship contender once it ended. The Pacers had lost six of 11 games to allow the Hawks to challenge for the division lead. "Sometimes you lose your team," Pacers coach Larry

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Politicos playing blame game on Social Security

By Alice Ann Love
The Associated Press

ANALYSIS

Just in case the distinction was too subtle for some, it's been made crystal clear:

So far, lawmakers' endless talk about Social Security is not aimed at making a major overhaul of the retirement program happen this year. It's more about making sure the blame falls on the other guy when it doesn't happen.

"I don't see it happening this year because I don't believe the president will really honestly address it," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said, in language that sounded like engraving on a tombstone.

Clinton's chief of staff John Podesta fired back that "we are disappointed that some have chosen to raise the level of rhetoric without at the same time advancing specific ideas of their own."

Leaders of both political parties had claimed as a major goal this year shoring up Social Security for the time in the not-to-distant future when the program is expected to be overwhelmed by aging baby boomers.

In December, a convivial group of Democrat and Republican lawmakers left a White House meeting voicing optimism they could get the job done before politicking for the 2000 elections spoiled the chance.

What's happened since then?

"Basically, what was going on was a blame game: who's

going to be responsible for killing Social Security?" said Rep. Bob Matsui, D-Calif.

Democrats and Republicans who have tried to suggest possible avenues for compromise have met resistance, even from within their own parties.

Appealing to Republicans' fiscal conservatism, Clinton proposed using trillions in expected surpluses to accumulate in Social Security's trust fund over the next 15 years, while the baby boomers are still in the work force to pay down nation's debts to private bondholders.

Most economists agree that can reasonably be expected to improve the economy so that the nation could more easily afford to pay retirement benefits as the number of elderly Americans doubles over the next 30 years.

Also, Clinton would refund some income tax surpluses in the form of government incentives offered to encourage retirement savings by low- and middle-income workers

in new 401(k)-style personal investment accounts.

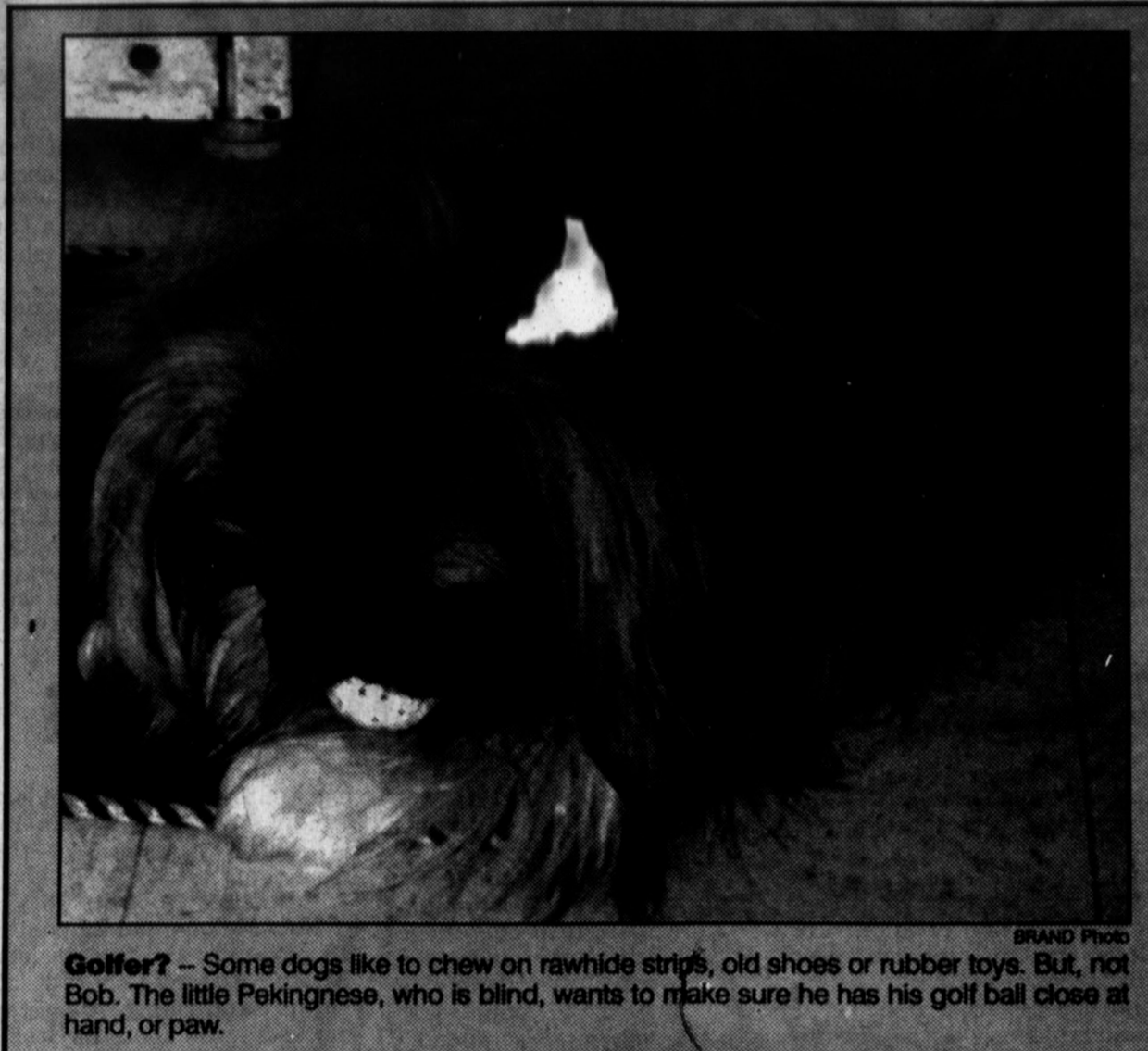
The accounts are similar to those that many Republicans would like to start so that stock market earnings might eventually be able to make up some of the cash shortfall expected to

face Social Security after baby boomers retire.

Alice Ann Love covers Social Security and other retirement issues for The Associated Press.

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Golfer? — Some dogs like to chew on rawhide strips, old shoes or rubber toys. But, not Bob. The little Pekingese, who is blind, wants to make sure he has his golf ball close at hand, or paw.

Doc quits job with orchestra

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Doc Severinsen quit as pops conductor of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra in a dispute with management over marketing.

Severinsen said Thursday he's unhappy with a plan by the orchestra's new executive director, Lawrence Ribits, to replace two outside marketing consultants with an in-house marketing director.

"I made it known with no punches held that I was very comfortable working with those women, and that it would probably not work well for me another way. In other words, if it's working, don't fix it."

"From then on, it was a contentious situation between him and me. All I wanted was to do the job and have it be a success," Severinsen said in a statement.

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Hospice receives six of 12 top awards

Crown of Texas Hospice team members were presented with six of the 12 highest awards recently by the Texas/New Mexico Hospice Organization at its state meeting in San Antonio.

Twelve awards are given each year to interdisciplinary team members who have provided exemplary work in each of their fields. Honorees are as follows:

Dr. Gerald Holman, MD -

Medical Director of the Year; Sister Mary Morrissey, FSPA - Chaplain of the Year; Sammye Johnson, CRNH, RN - Nurse of the Year; Janet Bailey, MEd, LPC - Counselor of the Year; Todd Shields, CNA - Home Health Aide of the Year; Tera Brown-Daniels, LMSW - Social Worker of the Year.

The recipients were honored at an awards banquet. Some 250 people attended the bi-state convention.

Mills on board

E. Jordan Mills of Dumas was named to the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Board of Trustees at its regular monthly meeting Thursday in Amarillo.

Mills is representing Carson, Hutchinson, Deaf Smith, Oldham, Dallam, Moore, Hartley and Sherman counties and his term of office will be April 1999 to March 2001.

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Book presentation—John David Ory, center, holds the book, "First in War, George Washington in the American Revolution," which was presented to the Nazarene Christian Academy library in his honor. Los Ciboleros Chaper Daughters of the American Revolution member Charlotte Clark, second from left, made the presentation because the American history essay submitted by Ory in the DAR's annual essay contest was judged best overall. Also pictured are, from left, Priscilla Powers, Ory's eighth grade language teacher; Becky Silva, librarian; Patty Hill, principal; and RoAnne Ory, his mother. His father is David Ory.

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Ann Landers



Dear Ann Landers: I want to respond to your column on cross-dressing. My dear husband of many years passed away suddenly. We had a good marriage, and I loved him with all my heart. After he died, I cleaned out his workshop, which was piled to the ceiling with projects he hadn't finished and stuff he had accumulated over the years. I seldom went in there unless I needed a hammer or screwdriver.

While cleaning, I found evidence that my devoted, loving husband was a secret transvestite. There were dozens of boxes of women's clothing, underwear, shoes and wigs, and magazines about cross-dressing in the closet and on the shelves. Apparently, he had been engaging in this activity for a very long time.

Our sex life was good, and I thought our marriage was solid, but now, I'm depressed and upset because I feel I was married to a man I didn't really know. It also makes me wonder if he had any gay friends and if he went beyond just dressing up. All the precious memories I had of my husband have been blemished.

I cannot talk to anyone about this because he was prominent in our community, and I don't want to tarnish

his good name. I am just thankful our son and daughter didn't insist on helping me clean out their father's things. I refuse to let anyone give me a hand with his closets and bureau drawers because I would rather die than have it known he had this weird side to him.

Please, Ann, warn your readers who have secrets like my husband to come clean with their families or make sure they don't leave any evidence behind. I am — Devastated in Texas

Dear Texas: I hope you will change your mind and talk to a professional about your distress so you can come to terms with your husband's secret. Since my recent letter on cross-dressing appeared, I have received a ton of responses. Keep reading for more:

From Mansfield, Ohio: I am a 33-year-old cross-dresser, and I definitely am not gay. I am engaged to be married to a lovely young woman who knows all about my "hobby" and shares my pleasure in it. She helps comb my wigs and puts red polish on my nails when I get dressed for "strutting." It is too bad more people don't understand that this is a harmless outlet for sexual tension.

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands: Women have been wearing slacks, tuxedos, fedoras and men's shirts for years, and nobody seems to think it's strange. So why all the hubbub about men who want to wear feminine clothes? I don't get it.

Chicago: I am a woman who wears men's clothing because it is much more comfortable than frills and lace. I can't understand why a man would want to wear nylons and high heels if he didn't have to.

Buffalo, N.Y.: People who think cross-dressing is simply "dressing up" are fooling themselves. This activity is sexually satisfying, and those who deny it are not being honest.

Bloomington, Ind.: Why all the flap about cross-dressing? In Scotland, those hearty fellows have been wearing kilts for centuries (they are called kilts), and nobody would dare question their virility.

Raleigh, N.C.: I know from reading your column that there are women who can adjust to a cross-dressing husband and it is fine with them, but when such behavior causes anguish for a wife, it can destroy the marriage. I know because it happened to mine.

Montreal, Quebec: The line between what is masculine and what is feminine has become noticeably blurred. Michael Jordan, an American icon, wears an earring, and no person in his right mind would ever question his masculinity.

Is that Ann Landers column you clipped years ago yellow with age? For a copy of her most frequently requested poems and essays, send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Gems, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$6.25.)

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Education Notes

By Carolyn Waters

"The secret of contentment is the realization that life is a gift not a right."

My, how time flies when you are having fun...Although it hasn't always been fun throughout the years of my attempt at journalism, I have enjoyed the opportunity to "cover some school news" by preparing the "Stanton Dogie Roundup," "HJH Roundup," and "Education Roundup" over the past fifteen or so years.

Ample words of appreciation to The Hereford Brand and to the readers of the column would take several columns. To those who complimented, to those who offered constructive criticism, to those who helped towards my receipt of five School Bell Awards, I wish to express a sincere **THANK YOU!**

Due to my latest endeavor — that of serving the school and the community as a member of your HISD Board of Trustees — I shall discontinue the column, at least for the duration of my term in office.

Again, thanks to my faithful readers...your words encouraged me...thanks to my critics...your words encouraged me...thanks to the educators and students who provided most of my material for the column...you were my inspiration for the years of writing on a weekly basis.

Out of habit, I'm sure I shall continue to have, not one, but two cameras, a notepad and pens, and the desire to preserve the activities of the community through the written word and perhaps a picture, or two. I shall just send them on to the "subjects" covered and keep the postman busy!

"True leadership must be for the benefit of the followers, not for the enrichment of the leaders." — Robert Townsend

Historical society to hold annual meeting

Members of the Deaf Smith County Historical Society are invited to attend the annual meeting and luncheon to be held Tuesday, May 11 at the Hereford Country Club. The annual meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. with president, Theresa Artho, presiding, followed by a luncheon. The agenda will include annual reports by the committees and the election of officers for the coming year. The cost of the lunch is \$10.00.

This is an open meeting for all members of the historical society, and each member is encouraged to attend this yearly event. Our new year starts June 1. Anyone wishing to join the historical society may contact the Deaf Smith County Museum. Membership dues are \$5.00 a year.

Reservations for the meeting and luncheon may be made by calling Paula Edwards at the Deaf Smith County Museum, 363-7070, by Friday, May 7.

Zimmerman speaks for Toastmasters

Hereford Toastmasters met Thursday for a breakfast meeting in the Ranch House Restaurant. Sharon Cramer presided, with Jigger Rowland leading the pledge and Clark Andrews giving the invocation.

Lydia Villanueva served as toastmaster. Wayne Winget was timer and as wordmaster introduced the word, "foment." Oscar Barrera III was topicmaster for topic speakers Jeannine Zimmerman, Margaret Del Toro, Andrews, Winget and Rowland.

Rowland won the vote for best topic speaker.

Zimmerman gave her "Icebreaker Speech" and Del Toro served as evaluator.

One guest, Adolfo Del Toro, was also in attendance.

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LIFESTYLES

Teachers make the difference

Editor's Note: Teacher Appreciation Week is May 2-8. National Teachers' Day is May 4.

By Carolyn Waters

"What nobler employment, or more valuable to the state, than that of instructing the younger generation?" -Cicero

A sign, perhaps even a bumper sticker, which you've seen many times, "Teachers Make the Difference," should cause you to think about the teachers in your life and in the lives of your children. The observance of Teacher Appreciation Week, May 2-8, and National Teacher's Day, May 4, will be celebrated in many ways in many areas, but if you were to honor a teacher, how would you do it? Say thanks, give a hug or firm handshake, send flowers . . . what will you do?

Teachers are special and very essential people. An administrator should work hard to provide the best possible environment where teachers can teach, really teach . . . but teachers are the ones who can make a difference in our schools. Teachers are key people.

What are teachers anyway? To paraphrase from Dan Valentine, a popular writer in the '60s, and bringing up-to-date his "What Is A Teacher," might cause you to want to thank a teacher, or several of them, this week.

"A teacher, a key, is many things . . . knowledge with a smile on her face . . . democracy with a book in his hand . . . wisdom with a flick of chalk dust on her glasses . . . a hero teaching strategy on the ballfield.

Teachers come in all sizes and temperaments . . . short, skinny, plump . . . serious, happy, laughing, said, old and young.

A teacher holds the future of the nation in his or her hands . . . they are love with a college education. They spent at least four years, studying hard, in order to make orange paper pumpkins at Halloween, plan recess activities, tell students to place their gum in the wastebasket and perform restroom duty.

In a teacher's everyday workweek, they may serve as

diplomat, philosopher, politician, referee, pediatrician, policeman, nurse, mom or dad, a psychiatrist without a couch, or a babysitter.

Teachers make more money than a few folks, but less than a wrestler, race car driver, professional ball player or the blackjack dealers in Nevada.

In addition to knowing about reading, math and other subjects, a teacher must be an authority on baseball, grasshopper, little (or big) girls, snakes, young love, little (or big) boys, and how to make ends meet on a teacher's salary.

Teachers can be found after school - taking Tylenol, making lesson plans, rehearsing programs, coaching, conducting spelling or geography bees, grading papers, attending faculty meetings and making parents feel good about their child's progress.

Teachers are expected to go to church, keep out of debt, have creative minds, be active in community activities, stay away from cigarettes, beer and bingo and give to the United Way.

A teacher dispenses magic . . . sells futures . . . dreams are their stock in the markets. From their classrooms will come the doctors of tomorrow, our nation's leaders, the great artists and novelists of the next century, teachers, Boy Scout leaders and ministers."

Teachers do make a difference in a good school. They are the keys to success. Perhaps their ultimate success will be their ability to help students become their own keys and to spend a lifetime of discovery.

Underpaid, unappreciated at times, harried and overworked, teachers gain their bonuses in secret satisfaction . . . secretly, they will admit, "We do have the greatest job of all . . ."

And they do . . . because they hold the history of the world in the palm of their hands . . . they are teachers . . . they are the keys.

Take time to say **Thank You** this week . . . and every week!

"Every many who rises from the common level has received two educations - the first from his teachers and the second from himself." -Edward Gibbon



Tami Monroe, Gregory Sherrod

July wedding planned by Monroe, Sherrod

Tami Lyn Monroe and Gregory Marc Sherrod plan to be married July 10 in First Church of the Nazarene in Hereford.

Parents of the bride-elect are Bill and Kerry Glidewell of Hereford and the late Jim Monroe. Grandparents are Elmo and Kay Hall of Hereford, Betty Monroe of Tucumcari, N.M., and the late Buel Monroe.

The prospective groom is the son of Ronnie and Billye Sue Sherrod of Hale Center. He is the grandson of Dorothy McClain of Troup and the late

Bill McClain, and Jean Sherrod of Lubbock and the late Joe Sherrod.

The bride-elect graduated from Canyon High School in 1994. She is a candidate for December 1999 graduation from West Texas A&M University with a master's in accounting.

Sherrod is a 1991 graduate of Hale Center High School. He is a candidate for December 1999 graduation from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He is employed by Pioneer Hi-Bred International.

Ward, East nuptials set

Brenda Kay Ward of Amarillo and Ricki Jack Ward of Hereford announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Kay Ward, to Billie East Jr., son of Billie East of Borger and Julia East of Pampa.

The couple plans to be married June 26 in Westview Christian Church of Amarillo.

The bride-elect attends New Covenant Christian Academy in Amarillo. She is a candidate for May 1999 graduation with honors and is valedictorian of

her graduating class. She plans to attend Amarillo College next spring. She is currently employed by Master Eye Association as a contact lens tech.

The prospective groom graduated from Borger High School in 1994. He attended Frank Phillips College in Borger where he received an Associates Degree in Science and an Associates Degree in Art.

The couple plans to reside in Amarillo after their marriage.

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Military Muster

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Chad M. Stephens, son of Dennis and Dianne Stephens of Hereford, has departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf aboard the amphibious assault ship and amphibious Ready Group (ARG) flagship USS Kearsarge, home ported in Norfolk, Va.

Stephens is one of more than 2,500 Sailors and Marines who departed as part of the USS Kearsarge ARG. In addition to the USS Kearsarge, the ARG consists of the amphibious transport dock USS Ponce, the dock landing ship USS Gunston Hall and the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

The 1995 graduate of Hereford High School joined the

Navy in July 1995.

Marine Lance Cpl. Flavio Cardenas, son of Alba and Flavio Cardenas Sr. of Hereford, recently returned from a deployment to Panama while assigned to 6th Marines, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During the three-month deployment, Cardenas' unit provided security to the U.S. embassy and conducted various training exercises with U.S. Army units which concentrated on the principles of riot control and the concepts of conducting patrols.

The 1996 graduate of Hereford High School joined the Marine Corps in November 1996.

Breast cancer screening offered by local clinic

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening at South Plains Health Care Providers, Inc., 603 East Park, on May 21.

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

A minimum of 15 women

needs to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns. All exams are done by appointment only.

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

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Volunteers recognized—The King's Manor Auxiliary was recognized by King's Manor Methodist Home as the Volunteer Group of the Year recently. Making the plaque presentation is Brenda Blacksher, second from right. Auxiliary members pictured are, from left, Virginia Garner, Mrs. Don Davidson, Lois Moore, Quintna Waits and Kee Ruland.

Red Cross Update

A First Aid class will begin Wednesday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Red Cross office. Karen Fangman will be the instructor for the class. Anyone wishing to take the class is asked to register by calling the office at 364-9761.

A Lifeguarding class will be held at the swimming pool in Friona. The dates of the class are tentative. Register or call for information at the City Hall in Friona, 806-250-2761.

The committees for the chapter will meet Tuesday. Please call the office for information.

The Postal employees will collect food for the Hereford Food Pantry on Saturday, May 8. Sally Walker, director for the food pantry, appreciates all the donations for the pantry.

The Health Fair will be Saturday, May 15 in Hereford Community Center. The chapter will feature Disaster Preparedness for families.

The Emergency Services

Committee will hold several classes for volunteers who would like to help during a disaster. Please call the office for information about those classes.

All American Red Cross disaster assistance is free, made possible by voluntary donations of time and money from the American people. To help the victims of this and other disasters, contributions can be made to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund by calling 1-800-HELP NOW or 1-800-257-7575 (Spanish).

Contributions to the Disaster Relief Fund may also be sent to the Tri County Chapter at P.O. Box 1371, Hereford, Texas 79045; or P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C. 20013. Internet users can make a secure online credit card contribution by visiting www.redcross.org.

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 6. Make positive statements to your children as often as possible.
- When disagreements occur, argue only about inaccurate facts or statements. Remember, everyone has opinions. Sometimes we must agree that we disagree.
7. Avoid making children feel guilty about the tasks of growth — especially the need to move away from you; avoid sarcasm and teasing about their changing shapes, feelings, or dates.
 8. Reach out and touch. A touch will communicate much more than just words.
 9. Make your home available to friends.
 10. Actively support groups they enjoy and encourage your children to join constructive groups of their age.
 11. Allow children to develop

responsibility.

12. Be honest with your children. Honesty shows children you trust them.
13. Deal with here-and-now issues. The past may serve to further block communication within the family.

Work on your own positive self-esteem. Smile! Be happy around your children. Happy, well-adjusted human beings who genuinely care for others make excellent parents.

For more information contact the Action Mental Wellness Center, 110 N. 25 Mile, Suite F, or call 364-4357 (HELP).

The Dress Your Family for Success Program meets on Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. til 9 p.m. The whole family is encouraged to attend, there is a children's program available. Snack and Supper is provided. A Substance Abuse Group meets on Wednesday evening from 6 p.m. til 9 p.m. Counseling for families, groups and individuals is available. Therapy for children, teens and adults may be covered under Medicaid and insurance.

Please join us for our Open House on May 14. Join us for lunch!!

Calendar of Events

MONDAY
Deaf Smith County Historical Museum: Regular museum hours Monday through Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday by appointment only.
Odd Fellows Lodge, IOOF Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Rotary Club, Hereford Community Center, noon.
Planned Parenthood Clinic, open Monday through Friday, 711 25 Mile Ave., 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
AA meets Monday through Friday, 411 W. First St., noon and 8 p.m. For more information, call 364-9620.
Spanish speaking AA meetings each Monday, 411 W. First St., 8 p.m.
Little Blessings Day Care, First Presbyterian Church, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Veleda Study Club, 7:30 p.m.

FCE Council, Deaf Smith County Library Heritage Room, 1:30 p.m.
Deaf Smith County Lapidary Club, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY
Hereford Rebekah Lodge No. 228, IOOF Hall, 7:30 p.m. in the winter and 8 p.m. in the summer.
Good Shepherd Clothes Closet, 625 E. Hwy. 60, open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3 p.m. To contribute items, call 364-2208.
Golden K Kiwanis Club, Hereford Senior Citizens Center, noon.
Hereford AMBUCS Club, The Ranch House Restaurant, noon.
Little Blessings Day Care at First Presbyterian Church, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Hereford Pilot Club, 7 a.m.
Hereford Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, Hereford Fire Station, 7:30 p.m.
Social Security representative at Courthouse, 9:15 a.m.-12 noon.

WEDNESDAY
Noon Lions Club, Community Center, noon.
Al-Anon, 411 W. First, 5 p.m.
Nazarene Kid's Korner, Hereford Church of the Nazarene, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Bippus FCE Club, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY
San Jose prayer group, 735 Brevard, 8 p.m.
Kiwanis Club, Community Center, noon.
TOPS Club No. 941, Community Center, 9:45 a.m.
Hereford Toastmasters Club,

The Ranch House, 6:30 a.m.
Al-Anon, 411 W. First St., 8 p.m.
Immunizations against childhood diseases, Texas Department of Health, 300 Witherspoon, 7-11:30 a.m. and 1-5:45 p.m.
Heavenly Treasures Day Care at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Merry Mixers Square Dance Club, Community Center, 8 p.m.
D.R.E.S.S. Your Family for Success at San Jose Community Center, 6-9 p.m.

FRIDAY
Community Duplicate Bridge Club, Community Center, 7:30 p.m.
Nazarene Kid's Korner, Hereford Church of the Nazarene, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Heavenly Treasures Day Care, St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY
AA, 411 W. First St., 8 p.m. Sat., and 11 a.m. Sundays.

Baker scheduled as guest speaker for meeting of Flame Fellowship

Hereford Flame Fellowship will have as its guest speaker on May 6 Mary Baker of Lubbock.

Baker is an ordained minister and serves her church, Heritage Church of Lubbock, in the areas of teaching, preaching and singing.

She is the founder and president of "Joyful Sound Ministries." She has ministered in radio and television, sharing her testimony and teaching the Word of God.

She has traveled to many nations and in the last few years she has traveled with Revival Fires Ministry into Russia to minister in gospel crusades.

Baker is the wife of businessman, Durrell Baker, and the mother of four children.

A special invitation is extended to everyone to come and be a part of the fellowship at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Hereford Community Center, 100 Avenue C.

Social to honor students planned by Aggie Moms

The Golden Spread Aggie Moms met Monday evening, April 26, at K-Bob's Steakhouse in Hereford. President Rita McDaniel of Dimmitt presided over the meeting.

Beverly Bryant of Hereford was elected as First Vice President for Projects for the next two academic years. She will head fund-raising projects for student scholarships.

Diane Townsend of Dimmitt reported for the scholarship committee that number of applications were received and the committee is conducting interviews with area high school seniors who are planning to attend Texas A&M University in the fall. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded.

The annual ice cream social welcoming new and current A&M students and their families, recognizing scholarship

recipients, and honoring university seniors will be held at the home of Terri Johnson on South Main and Walnut Road in Hereford on Sunday, May 23 at 4 p.m.

Also attending Monday's meeting and sharing "Aggie Brags" were Rita Huckert of Nazareth, Virginia Artho, Mariellen Homfeld, Evelyn Lyles, Ginger Olson, Carla Scott, and Denise Teel, all of Hereford.

The Golden Spread Aggie Moms provide other areas of support for Texas A&M students, including special needs networking and care packages. Any Texas A&M mother interested in joining the Golden Spread Aggie Moms may contact Rita McDaniel of Dimmitt, 647-5522, or Evelyn Lyles, 364-8245, and Virginia Artho, 364-5429, of Hereford.



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YOUR EYES
Mishaps & Emergencies
Here's how to handle the everyday emergencies that crop up over time in family life.
Dirt or grit in the eye: Wash your hands, then gently pull the upper lid over the lower. Your tears should rinse it away. If that doesn't work, try flushing it out with warm water. Let the water run from the inside corner to the outside corner of the eye. If you still can't seem to get it out, call your doctor.
Chemical in the eye: If you accidentally splash a chemical in your eyes, waste no time in flushing it out with water. Spend at least 15 minutes running water into the eye from the inside corner to the outside corner. Call your doctor. Many chemicals can cause severe damage to the eyes.
A blow to the eye: Apply an ice-cold compress to the eye and surrounding area for about 15 minutes to reduce the pain and swelling. If you notice any changes in your vision, call your doctor.
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MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS

Don Taylor

Who do you call when you need legal advice?

It is common practice when you're starting or running to try to save every nickel you can. However, there are some areas where saving a few dollars may cost hundreds or even thousands on down the road. Seeking sound legal advice is often one of those areas.

I find that not only do pre-start-up entrepreneurs struggle with the issue of legal advice, but veteran business owners grapple with this issue as well. The answer to the question of who to call for legal advice is both easy and difficult. The easy answer: call an attorney. The difficult part: which firm and which attorney.

In this column, I want to address three basic legal issues. First, why should you work with an attorney? Second, how do you find a good attorney? And finally, how can you minimize legal costs?

Why have a legal partner?

I've started in previous columns that business owners external partners or advisors to help them through difficult problems or uncharted territory. Attorneys, tax advisors and bankers are common external partners.

A good small-business attorney can help protect you and your assets from numerous business losses. Your legal partner can keep you out of trouble with employees, government regulations, vendors and customers. He or she can assist you with real estate purchases, legal structures, contracts and personnel policy issues.

Finding the right attorney

Selecting the right legal partner may not be a challenging as you think. You can tell your State's Bar Association, consult legal directories or use your local yellow pages.

My favorite method is to seek referrals from business friends and acquaintances. I call a few business associates. When the same name comes up a few times, I start with that firm or attorney. Remember, selecting an attorney is a personal issue. Find a person you're comfortable with and who has experience in small-business issues.

Here are some characteristics and experience I'd look for:

- **A positive attitude.** I want to work with an attorney who can not only point out the legal problems, but also propose positive, practical solutions.
- **Common sense explanations.** While attorneys are trained to work in "legalese," I expect simple, concise terms and everyday language when we talk.
- **Respect for my business.** Even though my business is small

now, I don't expect it to stay that way. I want a partner who wants my business now, and will help me grow into a bigger, better client.

Broad-based experience. I want a partner with a broad, generalized knowledge of business law who won't hesitate to bring in a "specialist" if needed.

Saving money

Attorneys usually sell their knowledge, experience and skills by the hour. Charges vary from \$50 to \$500 per hour and more. My advice to small-business owners is to buy only the hours you need. Good friend, good relationship aside, it's still your money.

Here are some ways to lower your legal costs:

- Don't visit or call your attorney until you gather all the facts on the issues you wish to discuss.
- Write down rough drafts and bring to your meetings or calls.
- Do your own "rough draft" and have your attorney look it over.
- Be honest with your attorney and give him or her all the facts both good and bad.
- Keep good records and take all related papers to meetings.
- Call your attorney early if you see a problem developing.

Finally, as you build your legal relationship, remember that no attorney can guarantee legal outcomes. However, having a legal partner in your corner does improve the odds of your success.

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Some Books Worth Reading

Between the Covers

By Martha Russell

A theme we heard over and over at Texas Library Association Conference was that no matter how technology advances, no matter what wonderful things it can do, there is no substitute for relationships between people.

In the midst of a sometimes scary technological revolution it is comforting to know that some things will never change. When people cease to be important, technology and life, will be worthless.

One of the conferences gave me some information about how to better use the Internet. I have known that there is more of value out there than WWF, but was not sure how to access it effectively. There is a thing called Texas State Electronic Library, which is part of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

One of its components, just one of many databases free of charge to Texas public and state agency libraries, is the Britannica Online. My thinking prior to this conference was, "Why would I need to access Britannica electronically when I have the books at my fingertips and don't have to wait (or hunt) for an available computer?" You're never too old to learn they say.

The Britannica Online, in addition to full text encyclopedic articles, has links to other websites that will get you further information. This may not sound so spectacular, but when you address the issue of reputation, Britannica links look pretty good. They monitor and review Internet sites continually for accuracy of content and credibility.

Since there is no regulation of the internet superhighway, anyone, regardless of reliability, can put anything, regardless of validity, on the web. What you find on a website might be the definitive, authoritative, final word on a topic, the ravings of a lunatic, or anything in between.

Britannica, unquestionably highly respected, assists in this area with its Online format.

Also available through TSEL or OCLC FirstSearch TEXES which provides access to an extensive collection of bibliographic, abstract, and full-text information from books, magazines and newspapers. Translated, that means that you can see bibliographic (date, publisher, author, etc.) information, overviews of articles, or the entire piece from all kinds of sources.

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The other day a woman came to the circulation desk rather edified. It seems that she had been browsing through out talking books and had a mishap. We are the first to admit that the shelving for this collection is inadequate. Actually, I would call it something of a mine field. The cases of the talking books themselves are a little bulky, but very light. The shelving has no back on it and books are shelved from both sides, making them a disaster waiting to happen. When you try to move, shelve, pick up, or maneuver them in any way, the tapes and cases tend to fly in five directions. Our patron was afraid that we would hear the commotion she was making and think that she was running amok in the A/V room.

What she didn't know is that just a few days prior to this, I had gone in there to shelve a stack of little darlins and they exploded on me before I could get them on the shelf. They flew everywhere

knocking others off the shelf on both sides, and making a horrendous noise. Yes, my face was red, so I understood our patron's predicament.

The good news is, we are getting new shelves that should ease the problem. The bad news is that the shelves have come in, but severely damaged and the wrong color to boot. Fortunately, we have a good sales rep who is working on it, so we should have new shelves eventually. We're learning patience through this, aren't we?

Stay tuned, folks. We'll keep you posted. I probably should mention, while we are talking about shelves, that our Friends of the Library group has made major financial contribution to the acquisition of these shelves. They were key players in the establishment of the talking book collection and have given continuing support. Once again, what would we do without them? Wondering about new books? Yes, we have them.

Lisa Scottoline has been called the female John Grisham. If you have read her other books and liked them, you need to get her newest, *Mistaken Identity*.

Life holds few surprises for Bennie Rosato, head of her own Philadelphia law firm. As criminal attorney now specializing in police misconduct cases, Bennie Rosato has seen the noblest and most deviant aspects of human nature. But nothing can prepare her for the moment she enters a maximum security prison to meet her new client, Alice Connolly, face-to-face. Accused of brutally murdering her lover, a highly decorated police detective, Connolly claims the police framed her.

A defendant unassuming her innocence is not unusual for Bennie. What shocks her is that Connolly bears an uncanny physical resemblance to her. But Bennie grew up as an only child, or so she thought. She doesn't have a twin. Or does she?

Connolly knows too many intimate details about Bennie's life and family for the resemblance to be just coincidental. And there's something about the woman that compels the intrigued attorney to defend her, against her better judgment.

Taking the case with the trial only a week away, Bennie plunges into the mystery of the murder, as well as her own

identity and her family's dark secrets. Is Connolly innocent? And is she Bennie's unknown sister? It is not until Bennie takes the case to verdict that she will finally learn the truth, which threatens to change her life.

Other new books this week:
• *A Darker Place*, a crime fiction by Laurie R. King.
• *Rainbow Mars*, sci-fi by

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• *The Quilter's Apprentice* by Jennifer Chaverini
• *Ambrose Bierce and Queen of Spades*, a mystery by Oakley Hall
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To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I would appreciate some information on Cushing's disease. A family member might have it. What can you tell us about it? I never heard of it before. —M.C.

ANSWER: Too much cortisone causes Cushing's disease. Everyone makes cortisone. Without it, we would die. The adrenal glands, sitting on top of the kidneys, manufacture cortisone when they get a signal from the pituitary gland located at the base of the brain.

Excessive amounts of cortisone drain fat from the arms and legs and deposit it in the face and trunk. The face looks like a full moon. Cortisone excess weakens muscles. It can cause acne. Menstrual cycles go haywire. Blood pressure rises. Purple stretch marks cover the skin, which bruises easily.

A pituitary gland tumor is often the troublemaker. The pituitary tumor bombards the adrenal gland with messages to make more and more cortisone. In a lesser number of patients, the culprit is the adrenal glands, which shift into an overproduction mode on their own accord.

MRI scans of the brain and CT scans of the abdomen can pinpoint either the pituitary or the adrenal glands as the source of trouble.

Removing the offending tumor restores normal cortisone production, whether the tumor is in the pituitary

gland or the adrenal glands. It can take the body a year or more to recuperate from the changes wrought by excessive amounts of cortisone.

The Health Letter report on steroids, the family name for cortisone, clears justified misunderstandings about a subject so abstruse as Cushing's disease. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — HL34-4, Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents), No. 10 envelope and \$3. Please allow 6-12 weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What are the treatment options for calcium stones in the salivary glands? If the stones are too large to pass, is ultrasound a possible treatment? —M.P.

ANSWER: The body has a penchant for making stones. Most people are aware of kidney and gallbladder stones, but few hear about salivary gland stones.

For reasons not well understood, saliva can become viscous, and mucus can plug the duct draining the salivary glands. This sets the stage for calcium to infiltrate the plugged duct. A salivary gland stone is born.

Salivary stones range in size from a pinhead to cherry pit proportions.

Eating becomes an exercise in terror. Food stimulates the salivary glands to secrete saliva. Saliva swells the blocked gland and causes major-league pain.

If the stone is lodged near the exit of the duct, the doctor can slip a probe into the duct and slit it with a scalpel to extricate the stone. If the stone is unreachable by scalpel, sound waves, like the sound waves used for kidney stones, can pulverize the stone. Repeated stone formation might call for surgical removal of the salivary gland.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: A precious grandchild has a condition termed Diamond-Blackfan syndrome. The child is transfusion dependent. Any current news about this illness? —M.B.

ANSWER: In Diamond-Blackfan syndrome, the bone marrow has a deficient supply of cells that make red blood cells. An anemia results. Anemia is nothing more than a red blood cell deficiency.

Cortisone drugs can sometimes increase the number of marrow cells that produce red cells. If cortisone doesn't do the job, blood transfusions are the treatment.

On a brighter note, about 14 percent of children spontaneously get better. Newer treatments are being tested. Stem cell factor, a body chemical that bolsters red cell production, is getting some attention as a possible treatment. So are bone marrow transplants.

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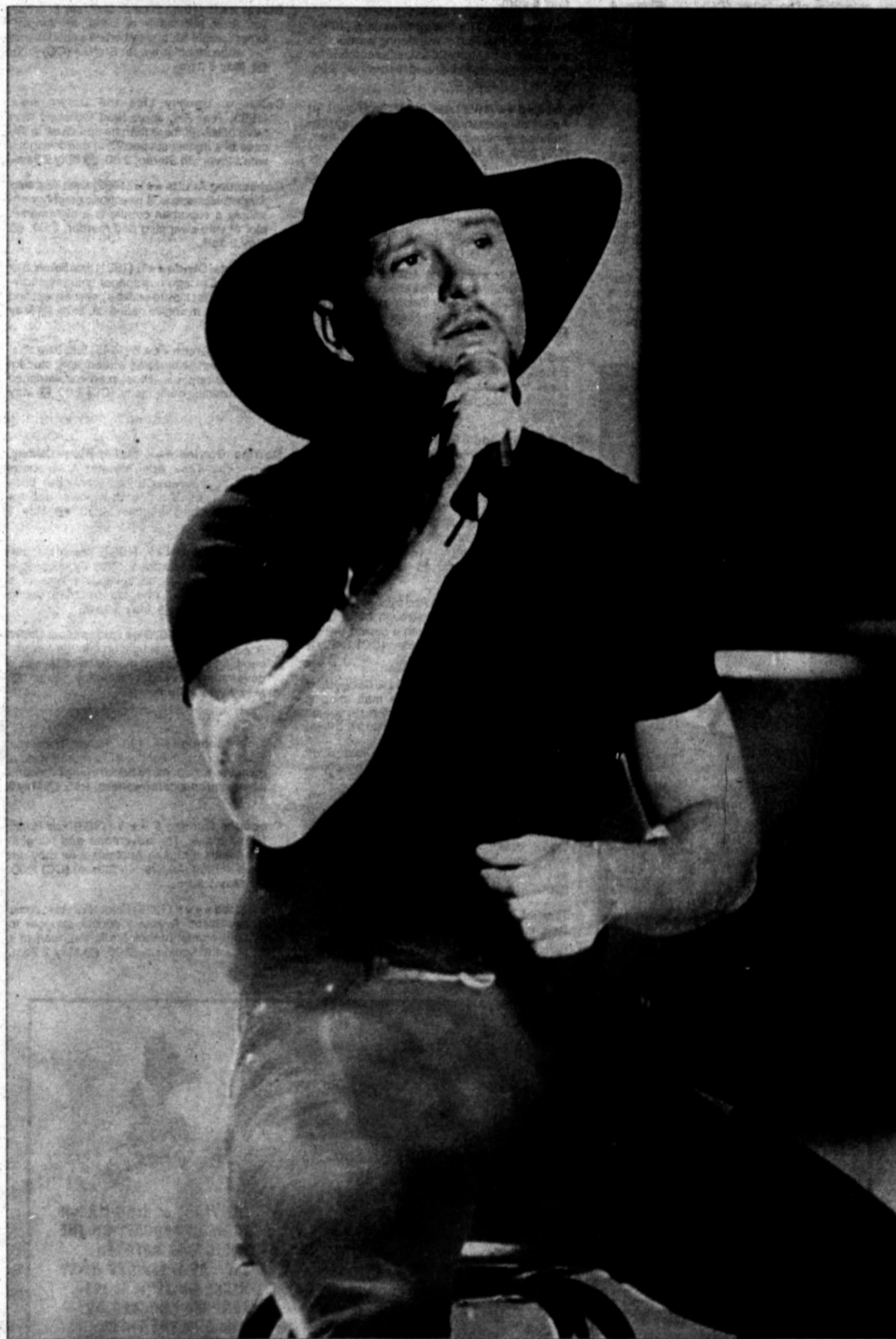
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Messina among top country music award contenders



Tim McGraw is among the performers vying for top honors as entertainer of the year at the 34th annual Academy of Country Music Awards, airing Wednesday on CBS. Scheduled to perform are Jo Dee Messina, Garth Brooks, Faith Hill, Alan Jackson, Brooks & Dunn, Martina McBride and Reba McEntire.

By John Crook
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A formidable list of performers and nominees has been assembled for the 34th annual *Academy of Country Music Awards*, airing on CBS Wednesday, May 5. And in a story worthy of a country ballad, many viewers will be watching nominee Jo Dee Messina with special interest during the ceremonies.

Messina has survived what looked like a career catastrophe and come back stronger than ever with *I'm Alright*, an album that earned her ACM nominations as top new female vocalist and overall best female vocalist, as well as album of the year.

"My first album (*Jo Dee Messina*) was released in January 1996, and we got a couple of hit singles off it," the Boston-bred singer explains. "But the third single stumbled, so we decided to wait for the second album for our next single."

Unfortunately, that second album, *I'm Alright*, was a long time in coming — 18 months, to be exact — and that delay, coupled with a popular but expensive tour, backed the young singer up against a financial wall.

It's not surprising that *I'm Alright* has a determined I-will-survive attitude about it — one that resonates with old and new fans alike.

"My fans are the best, and they come up and say, 'I want to give a copy of 'Lesson in Leavin'' to my boyfriend. If you only knew ... ' and I say, 'I know! I know! Believe me!'"

In fact, Messina says, during her live performances, she asks her audiences how many have been dumped. "And I raise my hand as high as I can," she explains. "I really relate to my fans, and I try to spend as much time as possible with them."

Messina says her parents split when she was 4, but she remains close to both and probably gets her stubbornness in equal measure from the two of them.

"I think that's who I am. If I see something I want — say a quarter across the yard, but there's an electric fence — I will keep trying to find a way to get there," she says. "And I don't even mean in terms of my career; I mean with life in general. It's never a question of 'Can I have it?' It's 'How can I have it?'"

Messina's competition for album of the year includes releases by such country giants as Garth Brooks, Faith Hill, Dixie Chicks and George Strait, and she admits she'd love to win.

"I probably will be stressed," she says, laughing, "but what I am really looking forward to is performing. I performed at the (Country Music Awards) last year and I was so scared I don't even remember my performance. I remember my chest hurting so much I thought I was having a heart attack."

While Messina says she has done her fair share of big concerts, she hadn't had to perform in front of Brooks and Shania Twain before.

"I mean, come on! All I remember clearly is thinking, 'Oh, my God, I am going to die on national television!' I hope I've gotten up enough nerve this time to just do it, and I look forward to it," she says.

Messina says the past year with its overwhelming public enthusiasm has been like a dream — topped by a surreal encounter with one of her country music idols.

At home in bed with the flu, she answered the phone. "Hi, Jo Dee! I just loooooove 'Bye Bye,'" Messina says, affecting singer Reba McEntire's distinctive drawl. "I'm thinking, 'This is a sick joke,' but I finally realized it really was her. I mean, who else talks like that?"

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There are 14 government officials hidden throughout the scrambled puzzle below. See how many you can find and circle. The words go horizontally and vertically, backward and forward.

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Patriotic Scramble

Unscramble the letters below, and discover four Founding Fathers of the United States.

1. He is known as the "master builder of the Constitution." **MSEIA DNSMOIA**
2. This man became the first president of the United States. **QEGGER SNNTGWOHIA**
3. This man, who drafted the Constitution, was influenced by John Locke and other philosophers. **QSMIAH FNEIROESE**
4. He helped advance the "Connecticut Compromise." **IRELOV LTWRLHEQS**

1. James Madison 2. George Washington 3. Thomas Jefferson 4. Oliver Ellsworth

Answers

A

Abandon Ship! ★★★ (1957) *Tyrone Power, Mai Zetterling*. Adrift in an overcrowded lifeboat, a captain faces life-or-death choices to ensure the remaining passengers' survival. 2:00. Ⓜ May 5 1pm.

Above the Rim ★★ (1994) *Duane Martin, Leon Time*. A talented high-school basketball player is caught between a drug dealer, his coach and a tormented security guard. 2:05. Ⓜ May 3 10pm.

The Abyss ★★★ (1989) *Ed Harris, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio*. Unearthly underwater phenomena and a dangerous government agent jeopardize a deep-sea search for a lost nuclear sub. (In Stereo) (CC) 3:00. Ⓜ May 8 9pm.

Aces: Iron Eagle III ★★ (1992) *Louis Gossett Jr., Paul Freeman*. Four ex-fighter pilots fly refurbished World War II planes against a drug lord in the jungles of South America. 2:00. Ⓜ May 7 12pm, 12am.

Across the Pacific ★★★ (1942) *Humphrey Bogart, May Astor*. During World War II, a Secret Service agent is sent to Panama to uncover a mysterious woman's Japanese connections. 2:00. Ⓜ May 3 11am.

The Actress ★★★ (1953) *Spencer Tracy, Jean Simmons*. A young woman follows her dreams of becoming an actress despite the concerned objections of her father. (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 4 11am.

Airplane! ★★★ (1980) *Robert Hays, Julie Hagerty*. A neurotic former war pilot is pressed into service when an airliner's crew succumbs to food poisoning. 2:00. Ⓜ May 4 11pm; 5 10am.

Airplane II: The Sequel ★★ (1982) *Robert Hays, Julie Hagerty*. A commercial space-shuttle company attempts to keep a pilot from disclosing the craft's technical problems. 2:00. Ⓜ May 5 1am, 12pm.

Allen Nation: Body and Soul ★★½ (1995) *Gary Graham, Eric Flinpoint*. A murder investigation leads Matt and George to the shocking truth about what happened to the Overseers. 2:00. Ⓜ May 2 4pm; 3 2pm.

Allen Nation: Dark Horizon ★★ (1994) *Gary Graham, Eric Flinpoint*. Based on the TV series. A scout from their home world plans to enslave the Newcomers and Earth's human population. 2:00. Ⓜ May 2 2pm; 3 12pm.

BODY FACT

FOUND IN LARGE CONCENTRATIONS IN THE BRAIN, SPINAL CORD AND LIVER. CHOLESTEROL IS ALSO A NECESSARY PART OF CELL MEMBRANES. HOWEVER, HIGH LEVELS OF IT IN THE BLOOD ARE ASSOCIATED WITH AN INCREASED RISK OF HEART DISEASE.

Angel on My Shoulder ★★★ (1946) *Paul Muni, Claude Rains*. A flamboyant gangster makes a pact with the devil in order to return to Earth as an incorruptible judge. 2:00. Ⓜ May 7 6:30am.

B

Baby Brokers (1994) *Cybil Shepherd, Anna Maria Horsford*. A woman hoping to adopt a baby discovers she's the victim of a scam after financially supporting the natural parents. 2:00. Ⓜ May 8 3pm.

Backdraft ★★★ (1991) *Kurt Russell, William Baldwin*. Spectacular pyrotechnics highlight this story of two quarrelsome brothers in the Chicago Fire Department. (In Stereo) (CC) 3:00. Ⓜ May 7 9pm.

Bandido ★★½ (1956) *Robert Mitchum, Ursula Thiess*. An American arrives in Mexico with weapons to sell to the highest bidder during the Revolution of 1916. 2:00. Ⓜ May 8 10am.

Barb Wire ★★½ (1996) *Pamela Anderson Lee, Temuera Morrison*. In the year 2017, a sexy female bounty hunter becomes caught in the conflict between rebel forces and federal troops. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 8 6pm.

Barbarella ★★ (1968) *Jane Fonda, John Phillip Law*. A heroine's innocence is lost through a series of techno-sex pleasures in this adaptation of the French comic strip. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 8 9pm.

Beastmaster III: The Eye of Braxus ★ (1996) *Marc Singer, Tony Todd*. A wandering warrior with the power to control wild animals searches for the sorcerer who kidnapped his brother. 2:00. Ⓜ May 3 11pm.

Bedevelled ★★ (1955) *Anne Baxter, Steve Forrest*. An American preparing for the priesthood befriends a singer who is implicated in a murder. (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 7 1pm.

The Big Shakedown ★★ (1934) *Charles Farrell, Bette Davis*. A drug addict compromises his principles to manufacture drugs for the underworld, infuriating his pregnant wife. 1:30. Ⓜ May 8 12am.

Billy Madison ★★½ (1995) *Adam Sandler, Darren McGavin*. A hotel magnate's loutish son must go back to grade school or lose his legacy to his father's sneaky aide. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 6 7pm.

The Birds ★★½ (1963) *Rod Taylor, Tippi Hedren*. Based on the story by Daphne du Maurier. Huge flocks of birds attack the residents of a California seacoast town. 2:35. Ⓜ May 2 12pm.

The Birds II: Land's End ★ (1994) *Brad Johnson, Chelsea Field*. Feathered friends become feared foes when a quiet seaside community falls prey to vicious bird attacks. 2:00. Ⓜ May 2 6am, 2:35pm.

Body Language ★★½ (1992) *Heather Locklear, Linda Purl*. A troubled secretary attempts to take over her successful boss's professional and personal identity. 2:05. Ⓜ May 7 1pm.

Bordertown ★★★ (1935) *Paul Muni, Bette Davis*. A disbarred lawyer visits a rough bordertown and becomes involved with a casino owner, his ambitious wife and murder. (CC) 1:45. Ⓜ May 4 1:45am.

Bowery Buckaroos ★★ (1947) *Leo Gorcey, Huntz Hall*. When the owner of the malt shop is accused of murder, the Bowery Boys set out to find the real culprit. 1:30. Ⓜ May 8 6:30am.

Breakout ★★ (1975) *Charles Bronson, Robert Duval*. A Texas bush pilot stages a daring helicopter raid on the Mexican prison where his client's husband is imprisoned. 2:00. Ⓜ May 8 2am.

The Bride Came C.O.D. ★★★ (1941) *James Cagney, Bette Davis*. A down-on-his-luck pilot falls in love with the wayward oil heiress he was hired to retrieve. (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 6 9pm.

Bureau of Missing Persons ★★ (1933) *Bette Davis, Pat O'Brien*. A police official falls in love with a woman who seeks help in finding her missing spouse. 1:15. Ⓜ May 7 3:45am.

C

Cabin in the Cotton ★★ (1932) *Richard Barthelmess, Bette Davis*. A man is divided between his loyalty toward tenant farmers and his lust for a plantation owner's seductive daughter. 1:30. Ⓜ May 4 10pm.

Canadian Bacon ★★ (1995) *Alan Alda, John Candy*. With the Cold War a memory, a desperate group of government war hawks makes the Great White North its target. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 4 12pm; 5 1:30am.

Carnival Story ★★ (1954) *Anne Baxter, Steve Cochran*. A down-on-her-luck German finds romance and tragedy when she joins an American-owned carnival. 2:00. Ⓜ May 7 11am.

Cat Ballou ★★★ (1965) *Jane Fonda, Lee Marvin*. A teacher whose father died at the hands of a land-grabbing conglomerate turns a group of misfits into an outlaw gang. 2:00. Ⓜ May 2 9am.

The Charge at Feather River ★★ (1953) *Guy Madison, Frank Lovejoy*. U.S. cavalrymen attempt to rescue two kidnapped pioneer women. 2:00. Ⓜ May 7 10am.

Child's Cry ★★ (1986) *Lindsay Wagner, Peter Coyote*. A social worker takes an interest in an emotionally withdrawn 6-year-old boy she suspects is a victim of child abuse. 2:00. Ⓜ May 6 12pm.

Clover ★★½ (1997) *Elizabeth McGovern, Emie Hudson*. After her father is killed, an African-American girl reluctantly begins a new life with her white stepmother. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 6 2am.

Columbo: Uneasy Lies the Crown ★★★ (1990) *Peter Falk, James Read*. Columbo may have bitten off more than he can chew in the case of a dentist suspected of murdering his wife's lover. (In Stereo) 2:00. Ⓜ May 2 9pm.

Consenting Adults ★★½ (1992) *Kevin Kline, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio*. A psychotic neighbor ensnares a suburban couple in a nightmarish plot of wife-swapping and murder. 2:00. Ⓜ May 2 3am.

Continental Divide ★★½ (1981) *John Belushi, Blair Brown*. A Chicago newspaper columnist travels to the Rockies to escape political heat and interview a reclusive naturalist. 2:00. Ⓜ May 4 10am.

The Corn Is Green ★★½ (1945) *Bette Davis, John Dall*. A teacher nurtures a promising student after she opens a school in an impoverished Welsh mining community. (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 6 3pm.

Corrina, Corrina ★★½ (1994) *Whoopi Goldberg, Ray Liotta*. Time Approximate. A vivacious black housekeeper brings happiness back into the lives of a Jewish widower and his troubled young daughter. 2:30. Ⓜ May 4 9:35pm.

Corrina, Corrina ★★½ (1994) *Whoopi Goldberg, Ray Liotta*. A vivacious black housekeeper brings happiness back into the lives of a Jewish widower and his troubled young daughter. 2:35. Ⓜ May 5 1pm.

Cover-Up ★★½ (1990) *Dolph Lundgren, Louis Gossett Jr.* A reporter's investigation into the terrorist bombing of a Mideast missile base reveals a government-backed conspiracy. 2:00. Ⓜ May 7 7pm, 10pm.

Critical Condition ★★ (1987) *Richard Pryor, Rachel Ticollit*. A con man confined to a mental ward is mistaken for a doctor when a raging hurricane leaves the hospital powerless. 1:45. Ⓜ May 8 11am.

Crocodile Dundee II ★★½ (1988) *Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski*. The adventurer and his girlfriend seek refuge in Australia after they run afoul of drug dealers. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. Ⓜ May 5 8pm.

The Crowd ★★★ (1928) *Eleanor Boardman, James Murray*. Silent. A young couple struggle to make the most of their life in the heart of a large, impersonal city. 2:00. Ⓜ May 2 7am.

HOW THEY SAY IT IN...

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THURSDAY

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Grid of TV programs for Thursday, May 6, from 7 AM to 12 PM. Includes shows like Barney, Sesame Street, Arthur, and various movies.

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Grid of TV programs for Thursday, May 6, from 12:30 to 5:30. Includes shows like Body Elec, Alexander, Art, and various movies.

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Grid of TV programs for Thursday, May 6, from 6 PM to 11 PM. Includes shows like Newshour, Friends, ER, and various movies.

The Miracle Worker ★★★½ (1962) Anne Bancroft, Patsy Duke. A dedicated Anne Sullivan helps young Helen Keller emerge from her silent prison in this Oscar-winning account. (CC) 2:00. 📺 May 8 12pm.

Mississippi Burning ★★★½ (1988) Gene Hackman, Willem Dafoe. Two FBI agents face racism while investigating the disappearance of three civil rights activists in 1964 Mississippi. 2:30. 📺 May 2 9:30am.

Mr. Skeffington ★★★ (1944) Bette Davis, Claude Rains. A woman marries a stockbroker for his money, but after 30 years finds she can't help but love him. (CC) 2:30. 📺 May 8 3pm.

Moment of Truth: A Mother's Deception ★★ (1994) Joan Van Ark, Daniel Hugh Kelly. A troubled woman undergoes a drastic personality change when her therapist lures her into a religious cult. 2:00. 📺 May 8 1pm.

Mother's Day on Walton's Mountain ★★ (1982) Michael Learned, Ralph Waite. As the holiday approaches, Olivia returns from the sanitarium in time to help her children cope with various crises. (In Stereo) 2:00. 📺 May 3 7pm; 8 8pm, 11pm.

Mother's Day on Walton's Mountain ★★ (1982) Michael Learned, Ralph Waite. As the holiday approaches, Olivia returns from the sanitarium in time to help her children cope with various crises. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. 📺 May 3 12am.

A Mother's Gift (1995) Nancy McKeon, Adrian Pasdar. In the late 1800s, a woman must give up her dream of a singing career to move to the Western frontier with her husband. 2:00. 📺 May 3 8pm.

A Mother's Instinct (1996) Lindsay Wagner, Debrah Farentino. A woman befriends the first wife whom her husband never divorced and helps her search for her missing children. 2:00. 📺 May 8 10pm.

A Mother's Revenge (1993) Lesley Ann Warren, Bruce Davison. A distraught mother takes the law into her own hands after the man who raped and beat her youngest daughter walks free. 2:00. 📺 May 7 12pm.

Murder in New Hampshire: The Pamela Smart Story ★★ (1991) Helen Hunt, Chad Allen. Based on the true story of a high-school teacher who coerced her teen-age lover into killing her husband. 2:00. 📺 May 2 7pm.

The Music Man ★★★½ (1962) Robert Preston, Shirley Jones. A fast-talking salesman comes to a small town to organize a band and falls in love with an unmarried librarian. 3:00. 📺 May 2 2pm.

Night of the Lepus ★★ (1972) Stuart Whitman, Janet Leigh. Time Approximate. A researcher's attempt to wipe out Arizona's rabbit population results in the creation of a horde of superbunnies. 2:05. 📺 May 2 2am.

Nightbreed ★★★½ (1990) Craig Sheffer, Anne Bobby. A young man's quest to end his nightmares leads him to a cemetery where monsters have retreated to escape mankind. 2:00. 📺 May 6 3am.

Nighthawks ★★★ (1981) Sylvester Stallone, Billy Dee Williams. Time Approximate. Two undercover detectives are assigned to a special task force tracking an international terrorist. 2:05. 📺 May 6 12:30am.

Noah's Ark (1999) (Part 1 of 2) Jon Voight, Mary Steenburgen. Premiere. The biblical tale of a villager who heeded God's word and saved his family and all animal species from the Great Flood. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. 📺 May 2 8pm.

Noah's Ark (1999) (Part 2 of 2) Jon Voight, Mary Steenburgen. Premiere. The animals do their part to help protect Noah and the ark from all of the perils that they face. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. 📺 May 3 8pm.

Of Human Bondage ★★★ (1934) Leslie Howard, Bette Davis. A young medical student with a physical handicap falls tragically in love with a promiscuous waitress. 1:30. 📺 May 8 9pm.

Old Acquaintance ★★★ (1943) Bette Davis, Miriam Hopkins. Based on John Van Druten's play about childhood girlfriends and the lingering jealousy haunting them through adulthood. (CC) 2:00. 📺 May 4 3pm.

Oliver! ★★★★★ (1968) Ron Moody, Oliver Reed. Six Oscars went to this adaptation of Charles Dickens' novel about an orphan who falls in with a gang of pickpockets. 3:00. 📺 May 2 11am.

Our Man in Havana ★★★ (1960) Alec Guinness, Maureen O'Hara. A vacuum-cleaner salesman living in Cuba earns extra cash by inventing information to sell to British spies. 2:00. 📺 May 6 3am.

Our Mother's Murder ★★★½ (1997) Roxanne Hart, Holly Marie Combs. The daughters of publishing heiress Anne Scripps Douglas try desperately to save their mother from her abusive husband. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. 📺 May 8 2pm.

The Outsiders ★★★½ (1983) Matt Dillon, C. Thomas Howell. Teen-age gang life is seen through the eyes of a sensitive youth. Based on S.E. Hinton's best-selling novel. 2:05. 📺 May 2 10:40pm.

Overlords of the UFO ★★★½ (1977) Photographic evidence is used in an investigation of UFOs to distinguish genuine from counterfeit examples. 2:00. 📺 May 2 2:50am.

Page Miss Glory ★★★½ (1935) Dick Powell, Marion Davies. A clever cartoon artist submits a composite picture of a dream girl that wins a beauty contest. 2:00. 📺 May 3 5am.

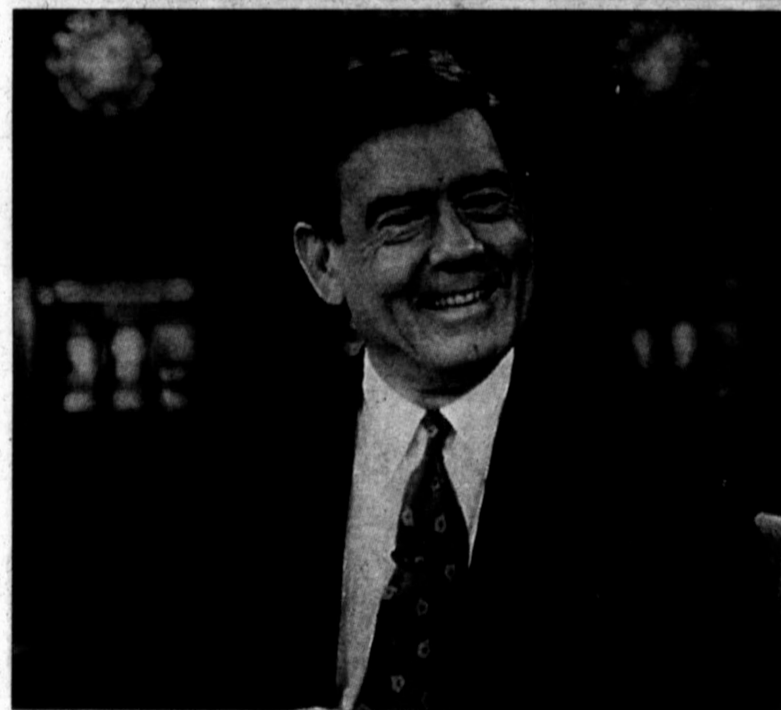
Parachute Jumper ★★ (1933) Bette Davis, Douglas Fairbanks Jr. A pair of World War I Air Force pilots return from battle to find adventure and romance in New York. 1:30. 📺 May 4 8:30pm.

Pedro Infante ¿Vive? (1990) Manuel Capetillo, Diana Golden. Dos investigadores buscan evidencias de si Pedro Infante todavía vive o si murió en un accidente de aviación. 2:00. 📺 May 2 11pm.

Phenomenon ★★★½ (1996) John Travolta, Kyra Sedgwick. A mechanic's life is drastically changed when a strange flash of light leaves him with astonishing mental abilities. (In Stereo) (CC) 3:00. 📺 May 2 6pm; 8 7pm.

Picture Perfect ★★½ (1997) Jennifer Aniston, Jay Mohr. Complications arise when a young man falls in love with the ad executive who hired him to pose as her fiancé. (In Stereo) 2:00. 📺 May 7 8pm.

THURSDAY



Anchor Dan Rather and a team of investigative reporters present in-depth analyses of current events and trends in 48 Hours, airing Thursdays on CBS.

SOAP TALK

Daytime casts keep on changing

By Candace Havens
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After several years away from daytime TV, John Loprieno (ex-Cord, *One Life to Live*) is back. This time around, he takes on the role of Brad Snyder on *As the World Turns*.

The role was vacated in February by Nick Kokotakis, who decided to move back to the West Coast to spend more time with his daughter.

Also on *ATWT*, actor Anthony Herrera (James Stenbeck) is battling a recurrence of mantle cell lymphoma, the same cancer he fought a few years ago.

Herrera has stopped taping but is expected to return at a later date.

In other news: In an effort to continue its focus on the core families, *The Bold and the Beautiful* has dumped two more fan favorites from its roster.

Tracey E. Bregman (Lauren) and Paul Satterfield (Pierce) were let go. Bregman's last episode is set to air May 11, but Satterfield's finale is still up in the air.

Dear Candace: I was curious about the actress who plays the new doctor on *All My Children*. Has she been on 'another soap'?—Emily in Missouri.

Dear Reader: Colleen Dion plays Dr. Hayward. She also portrayed Brett on *Another World* and Felicia on *B&B*.

Dear Candace: Please tell me what happened to the other Ashley (Shari Shattuck) on *The Young and the Restless*. I know she left to have a baby, but no explanation was given as to why she was replaced by the former Ashley (Eileen Davidson).—B.E. via the Internet.

Dear Reader: Shattuck wanted to stay home with her children, and Y&R executives wanted Davidson back.

Dear Candace: Years ago a little girl grew up playing Amy on the old soap opera *Secret Storm*. Was she ever on any other shows?—Jen E. via the Internet.

Dear Reader: Jada Rowland played Amy off and on from 1954-1974. She also portrayed Carolee on *The Doctors* in 1963, and Dr. Susan Burke Stewart on *As the World Turns* in 1967.

Send questions of general interest to Candace Havens, Soap Talk, TVData Features Syndicate, 333 Glen St., Glens Falls, NY 12801, or e-mail to soaptalk@tvdata.com. Only questions selected for this column will be answered.

The Tower ★★ (1985) Ray Paisley, Jackie Wray. An advertising executive discovers why employees have been disappearing in the world's most energy-efficient high-rise. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. May 5 2pm.

The Trial ★★★½ (1963) Anthony Perkins, Jeanne Moreau. A man in a nameless country is arrested for a crime that is never explained to him in this adaptation of Kafka's novel. 2:00. May 4 1pm.

Twenty Mule Team ★★ (1940) Wallace Beery, Leo Carrilo. The story of the mule train drivers of the Old West is portrayed. 1:30. May 7 5am.

20,000 Years in Sing Sing ★★★ (1933) Spencer Tracy, Bette Davis. A reformed convict is charged with killing a man while outside prison walls to visit his injured lover. 1:30. May 4 12:15am.

Twilight Zone: The Movie ★★★ (1983) John Lithgow, Vic Morrow. Four noted directors contribute episodes to this anthology that captures the spirit of Rod Serling's TV series. 2:00. May 8 11am.

U

Universal Soldier ★★ (1992) Jean-Claude Van Damme, Dolph Lundgren. Two genetically engineered supersoldiers relive the Vietnam War-era horrors that turned them against each other. 2:00. May 8 10:30pm.

V

Valet Girls ★½ (1986) Meri D. Marshall, April Stewart. In order to get closer to show-business bigwigs, two young women take jobs parking cars at an exclusive beach party. 2:00. May 2 1:30am.

Victory ★★ (1981) Sylvester Stallone, Michael Caine. During World War II, Allied POWs engage in a soccer match with the German National Team in Paris. 2:30. May 2 4:30pm.

The V.I.P.'s ★★½ (1963) Elizabeth Taylor, Richard Burton. The lives of wealthy plane passengers intersect as they await the takeoff of their flight in a posh airport lounge. 2:00. May 6 1pm.

Viva México y Sus Corridos (1985) Antonio Aguilar, Ignacio López Tasso. 2:00. May 2 2pm.

W

Watch on the Rhine ★★★ (1943) Paul Lukas, Bette Davis. An anti-Nazi underground leader is blackmailed when he comes to the United States with his American wife and children. 2:00. May 4 5am.

Waxwork II: Lost in Time ★★ (1992) Zach Galligan, Alexander Godunov. Monsters and intergalactic nightmares plague massacre survivors on an interdimensional quest to prove their innocence. 2:00. May 6 2pm.

Way Back Home ★½ (1932) Bette Davis, Phillips Lord. A well-meaning farmer decides to take on the problems of his neighbors and help them shape their fate. 1:30. May 4 7am.

What's Eating Gilbert Grape ★★½ (1993) Johnny Depp, Juliette Lewis. A self-sacrificing grocery worker is pushed to the breaking point by the constant demands of his dysfunctional family. (In Stereo) 2:00. May 8 9pm.

Wheels of Terror ★★ (1990) Joanna Cassidy, Marcie Leeds. A mother pursues the possessed car that "kidnapped" her daughter through the hazardous mountains of Arizona. 1:50. May 7 1:05am.

Who's the Man? ★★½ (1993) Ed Lover, Dr. Dre. Time Approximate. Two musically inclined rookie police officers go after the crooked real estate developer who murdered their boss. 2:00. May 4 12:05am.

Wildest Dreams ★ (1989) James Davies, Heidi Paine. A buxom Egyptian genie brings happiness and romance into the life of a love-starved New York shopkeeper. (In Stereo) 2:00. May 8 1:30am.

Winter Kill ★★½ (1974) Andy Griffith, Sheree North. A series of bizarre murders panics a mountain resort community. 2:05. May 6 1pm.

Winter Meeting ★★½ (1948) Bette Davis, Jim Davis. A female poet falls in love with a man considering the priesthood after his wartime experiences. 2:00. May 5 11:30pm.

The Working Man ★★ (1933) George Ardis, Betty Davis. A shoe manufacturer winds up running the factory of his most bitter rival. 1:30. May 6 6:30am.

Y

Young Hearts Unlimited (1988) Cabin Bensen, Lesley-Anne Down. Children of broken homes get in over their heads when they set up a dating service for their single parents. (In Stereo) 2:00. May 2 7pm; 8 7pm.

Your Mother Wears Combat Boots ★½ (1989) Barbara Eden, David Kaufman. Masquerading as a soldier, an overprotective mother enters boot camp in order to discourage her son. 2:00. May 7 6pm.

Z

Z.P.G. ★★½ (1972) Oliver Reed, Geraldine Chaplin. A 21st-century couple decide to have a baby in a society where bearing children is a crime punishable by death. 2:00. May 4 2pm.

TRIVIA

The first script for *The Mod Squad* (1968-73) was written in 1960. The premise was based on a real-life narcotics squad of the 1950s.

Jodie Foster got started in show business at age 3 as the Coppertone girl in a TV ad. By age 8, she had made 40 commercials.

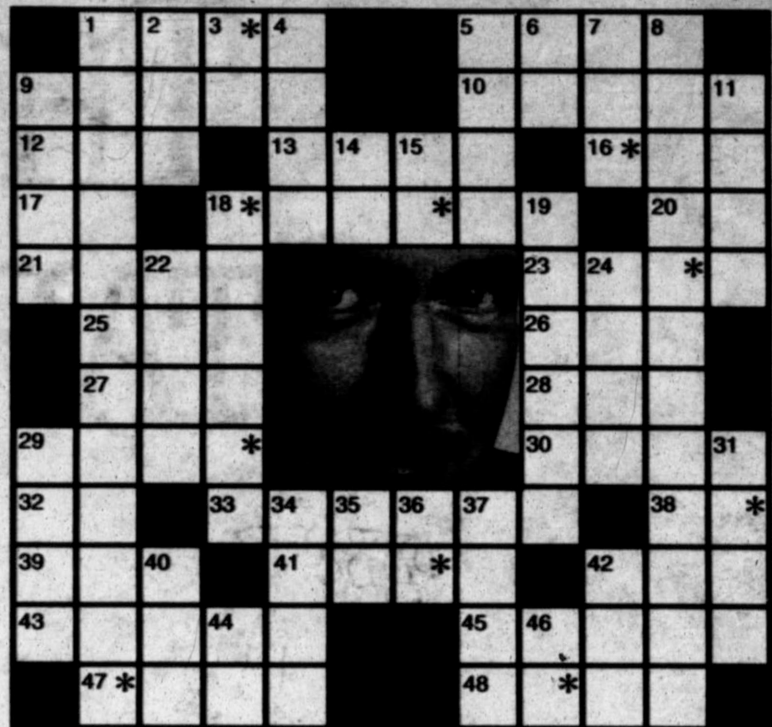
Actress Julie Delpy (*Killing Zoe*, *Crime and Punishment*) studied directing at New York University, where she graduated first in her class.

Since 1984, Kelsey Grammer has played Dr. Frasier Crane as a guest or regular in three series: *Cheers*, *Wings* and *Frasier*.



A Siberian husky, also known as an Eskimo dog, can sleep outdoors in snowdrifts even in the coldest weather.

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The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. To take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

ACROSS

- Role on *The Manny*
- Actor Richard
- Wild animal
- Smith and Jones (1971-73)
- 1947 Joan Fontaine movie
- Home improvement role
- Word in the title of the Olsen twins' series
- Kung* (1972-75)
- Series about a doctor
- Loggia's initials
- of *Fury*; '36 Humphrey Bogart film
- People; '92 Shirley MacLaine movie
- Layer
- Jon-Jovi connector
- Lie
- Monogram for singer Cyrus
- McMillan and (1971-77)
- Bruce and Peggy
- Charles Charge (1984-85)
- Staci Keanan's role on *My Two Dads* ('87-'90)
- Got It Made (1983-84)
- Party; 1965 Frankie Avalon film
- 1979 best comedy series Emmy winner
- Behaving Badly (1996-97)
- Johnny!
- Norman's family
- Turner
- Actor Estrada

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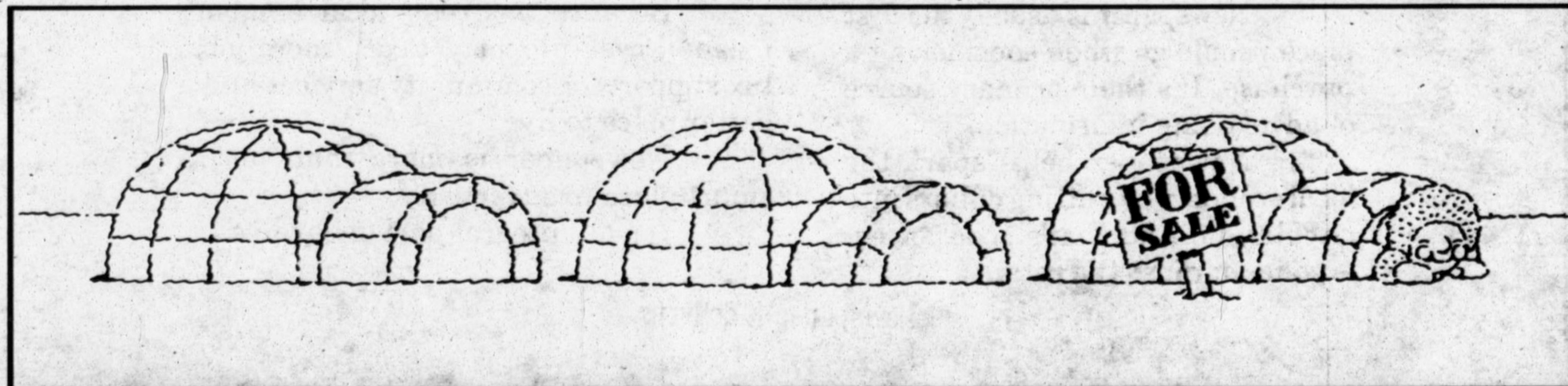
- Actor on the new *Fantasy Island* (2)
- Alejandro of *The Flying Nun* (1967-70)
- American Dream; '66 Janet Leigh movie
- That Tune
- Word in the title of Monty Hall's show
- Blue Eyes
- Ignited

- The Show; '55-'71 musical series
- Stereo: hypn. wd.
- Auctioneer's word
- Carney's monogram
- Initials for Gleason's role on *The Honeymooners*
- Brian, for one
- Fred and Wilma's neighbor
- Eric the Red's son
- Miffed
- You; 1997 series
- Kennedy and Boxer: abbr.
- Living (1980-82)
- Setting for *Buddy Faro*: abbr.
- Beast of burden
- Goes On (1989-93)
- Mad About You role
- Mid-11th-century year
- Prefix for large or list
- Series for Anthony Edwards

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Margie's Notes

By Margie Daniels, HSCA Executive Director

It was wonderful coming to work this morning and opening the building in the rain and now an hour and half later the sun is shining. I understand we are under flood warnings until 6:00 PM this evening.

Have you noticed our Rose Patch in the front of the building? We thank Jan Furr and the Master Gardeners for trimming and pruning the bushes. Also, a big load of brush and trimmings was hauled to the dump grounds. Thanks to all who helped. You did a great job.

Look! Look! at the schedule for this month. We have a lot of activity going on. Of course, the circus will be in town on Thursday, May 6. There are two shows and I have 50 tickets. With these tickets we go in as a group and don't have to wait in a long line. A circus is a lot of fun and I'm looking forward to it.

Also, don't forget the Chamber of Commerce Fun Breakfast on Thursday, May 6 at 6:30 a.m. This is always a fun occasion.

Also, on Saturday, May 15 is Senior Center Day. The Texas Plains Chorale Singers will be entertaining us at 3 p.m. in the Auditorium.

From 12 noon until 2 p.m. we will be serving beans with ham, cornbread and apricot cobbler. The Center is sponsoring this. You can give a donation if you would really like to. You can play games, visit and look around and see what we have.

Also, we will show you what we will be doing in the way of redecorating. On Friday, May 28 from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., we will be having our annual Pancake Supper. We always have a wonderful time. This is when we have a lot of people coming back home for the Mid-Plains Reunion. The whole community is invited. See notice in this paper. The funds raised from this project are used in the general operating budget.

Please pray for our sick and our friends who have lost loved ones.

We are going to need volunteers to help with our redecorating. There will be pictures to remove, wall prep, painting, and anything else that needs to be done for wall painting and laying new carpet. If you can help, please let me know.

If a care is too small to be turned into a prayer, it is too small to be made into a burden. "Casting all your care upon him: for he careth for you." 1 Peter 5:7.

See you at the Center!

Alzheimer's Support Group meets monthly at Fellowship of Believers

In affiliation with the Alzheimer's Association, Panhandle Chapter, the Hereford support group for family caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, meets at 10 a.m. on the third Thursday of each month in Fellowship of Believers Church, 245 N. Kingwood.

A support group is a gathering of people with common problems, needs and interests to share their feelings, thoughts, questions, experiences and concerns in a combined effort to better cope with and survive the challenge presented by persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

Friends, relatives and neigh-

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

The "bible" for caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's is entitled, **The 36-Hour Day: A Family Guide to Caring for Persons with Alzheimer's Disease, Related Dementing Illnesses, and Memory Loss in Later Life** by Mace and Rabins. Thanks to the generosity of Hereford's Pilot Club, this excellent resource is available at no cost by calling 364-0359.

Group facilitator is Nathan L. Stone, Ph.D., pastoral counselor.

HSCA director, husband observe golden wedding anniversary

This very Saturday, May 1, marks the 50th wedding anniversary of Margie and Al Daniels. We all join them in celebrating this grand occasion.

It was Hereford's lucky day when Al was transferred here with Moorman Mfg. Co. in 1978, for HSCA, having been chartered in 1975, was able to hire Margie as its Executive Director.

With Margie at the helm, HSCA prospered and flourished, growing in membership and resources, and maintaining its home meal delivery program and congregate meals.

This determined lady not only led the campaign for a new facility, but soon thereafter began aggressive efforts for an expansion, in order that additional programs could be offered.

Margie has a special talent for understanding and utilizing available funding, including preparing budgets and applying for grants. She is a friend to all, visiting and caring for those in the hospital or at home needing help.

She is one busy lady, but always has time to take a phone call or visit with someone who comes in.

Margie has a staff now, but doesn't expect more from them than what she has done herself, which might be driving the van, setting up or jumping for the home meal delivery, or performing any task in the kitchen. Margie can best be described as personable, always with caring ways and a smile to share.

And, Al has not been an idle man! Since way back, following his retirement, Al has freely volunteered his time to HSCA.

For many years, Al could be seen mowing and working in the yard here and, in more recent years, he has spent most of his days working at the HSCA Thriftstore. Just last week, you might have seen Al on the roof of the Thriftstore repairing leaks.

Al and Margie are Christian people who live their faith - an asset to our community.

And, just today Al, with his arm around Margie, was head to say, "I sure love this woman." WOW . . . after 50 years - that's pretty great!



Mr. and Mrs. Alva Lee Daniels

President's Corner

By Truman Thurston, HSCA President

"Some Assembly Required" - Three words that can cause stress, disappointment, and fear of failure. (Especially if you are trying to assist Santa in delivering gifts on Christmas Eve!)

Let us look at these three words in another light. Assemble - to gather, to meet as a group. In 1975, a group of responsible and worthy people assembled their talents and resources to provide our community with an organization to benefit our seniors.

Most people of our community are familiar with the services provided and do participate daily. Others, only as services are needed.

Yes, in 1975 there was "some assembly required" and it was provided.

The next time you visit the center, take a few minutes to view the plaques on the vestibule walls, placed there in memorial to those who did assemble for such a good cause. Some names you will recognize as friends and/or loved ones, and of some we will have only fond memories.

Each meeting of our Board of Directors is begun with a prayer to our God for guidance and assistance. Along with our prayers, some assembly is still required.

Center welcomes guests

Members of Hereford Senior Citizens Association entertained out of town guests from March 24 to April 20. Guests of Elsie Loveland and Al and Margie Daniels were Bobby and Joshua Loveland of Wichita, Kan., and Carrie and Brittany Spivey of Amarillo. Mavis Burnam was visited by Charlene Mann of Friona.

Betty Jo Carlson had Terry and Cloctiell Walker of Amarillo as guests. Bertha Arnold was hostess to Billie Burkett of Oklahoma City, Okla., James Robertson of Houston, and Jim Judy, Jackie, Jacob and Joey Payne of Tucson, Ariz.

Ann Hathaway of Midland was the guest of Roberta

Caviness. Margaret Godwin was hostess to George Miller of Avon, Ohio. Martha Lueb hosted Jake and Margaret Lueb of Fritch, Mary Lou Lueb of Sherman and A.B. and Rosa Lueb of Amarillo.

Madelena Hudson had Courtnee Smith of Amarillo as a guest. Nedra Ward was hostess to Mary Rutter of Austin. Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Garrison hosted Casey Carrathers of Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. Ed McCreary were hosts to Carolyn Bostick of Lubbock.

Jerre Clark was visited by Jim and Nancy Frye of Harrisburg, Pa. Lucy Martin was hostess to Terry Kitchens of Abernathy. Visitors of Bonnie Duke were Sue Curry, B. Foy

Braithwaite, Jo Collins, Joan Gholson, Tink Nixon, Dorothy McFodder, Wayne Lunn, Evelyn C. Kenour, Mary Crespin and Bertha Henderson, all of Tucumcari, N.M., and Hazel Conway and Thelma Garrison

of Salem, Mo.

Other guests who visited the Senior Center were Bill and Betty Stanford of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Close of Durango, Colo., and Murrell and Dorothy of Hedley.

Pancake supper is May 28

It's time for HSCA's Annual Pancake Supper again - at a time when Herefordites are returning home for their Mid-Plains (class) Reunion, and when all of Hereford is in anticipation of and preparation for Pioneer

Week. With all the extra-curricular activities in process, it's a good time to go to the Senior Center and enjoy pancakes and sausage, at a low . . . low price of \$3.50. That's Friday, May 28th, serving from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m.

SENIOR SCENE
The Senior Scene, a monthly supplement to The Hereford Brand since Feb. 25, 1990, is published in cooperation with and editorial contributions from the Hereford Senior Citizens Association, 426 Ranger, P.O. Box 270, Hereford, Tx. 79045. The Senior Center is an agency of the United Way of Deaf Smith County.

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Hereford facility will celebrate National Senior Center Week

National Senior Center Week will be celebrated here at the Hereford Center on Saturday, May 15. The Center will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and all our friends are invited to tour and visit.

The entire community of Hereford and surrounding areas has responded so generously to all our fund raising endeavors, that we want to encourage everyone to tour our/your Center to see what all these funds from

the various projects have accomplished. We are proud of our Center and want you to be also!

In honor of National Senior Center Week, the Texas Plains Chorale Group will perform in the auditorium at 3:00 p.m. Also, other activities and games are in the planning stage at this time.

A lunch of beans with ham, cornbread, and apricot cobbler will be served from 12:00 to 1:30, donation only.

Memorial contributions can be made to:
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Online gardening gets mixed harvest

By **GEORGE BRIA**

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP)

In gardening, as in many fields, the computer dramatically speeds up your search for information. As computers get cheaper and more people buy them, Web sites are proliferating.

Unlike an automobile where computers actually run things, the electronic garden consists of just words and pictures on your screen.

Don't expect any miracles in the garden itself, not yet anyway. Tilling, sowing, transplanting, watering, weeding, harvesting, these chores you still do by hand or with the help of relatively primitive tools. Which is one of the joys of gardening.

Many Web sites are patently commercial and are trying to sell you flowers, plants

or implements. Some are genuine search tools.

I went on the Internet for the first time this year to order garden seeds, curious to see how much faster, if at all, I would get them. In the back of my head, I nurture a dream that online ordering will help someday to reduce the flood of catalogs that swamp my mailbox and the recycling bin.

For the trial, I chose two nationally prominent seedhouses with whom I had long been dealing by mail or phone. In tune with the times, each now has an attractive Web site.

The first firm shipped out my seeds in just a few days, as fast as I could possibly want. It made no mistakes except for misspelling my address as "Francher Road" instead of "Fancher."

This misspelling appears on much of my mail, so I had to note sadly that the miracle of cyberspace didn't prevent the gremlins on the other end from inserting that unwanted "r."

As for the second order, when three weeks went by without my receiving anything, I took to the phone. This was an order for tomato seeds and time was getting short for me to start them indoors.

The woman in customer service who answered the phone said "Oh" when I told her I had ordered online. She asked for my confirmation number and when I gave it to her, she said, "Such numbers don't exist."

I told her I was reading it off the confirmation message I received on the day I ordered. She then transferred me to

what she called the electronics department, which promptly sent me back to customer service.

This time I was to ask for a designated person who would know all about online orders. This woman said such confirmation numbers did exist, but she couldn't find mine. Then she told me she would do some research and get back to me. Finally, I got voice mail saying the order had been found and would be shipped right away and apologizing for the delay.

Humans being error-prone, such foulups no doubt also occur with mail and phone orders. Evidently this company needs more time to get its act together for Web business.

Some attractive ads appear online, such as one from www.garden.com which calls itself "the largest garden center on the Web." For instance, it offers you a pick from among five of the unfussiest orchids "for a living bouquet that stays in bloom for months."

Or, on the same site, you can go to the "amaryllis grab bag" and pick three bulbs "for

just \$9.99."

You get such offers in catalogs of course. And it's up to you whether you ultimately prefer mailing, phoning, faxing or online ordering.

Where the computer really shines is in research, employing techniques that do in seconds what once would have taken hours, days or weeks.

A novice wanting help in creating a garden can get it quickly and abundantly by accessing the Web site of the nonprofit National Gardening Association at www.garden.org.

A home page shows on the screen with links to many aspects of gardening. Click on the button labeled "plant finder." The program will then help you with all the fundamental requirements for raising a plant in the climate of your area, which you identify by your ZIP code.

EDITOR'S NOTE: George Bria retired from the AP in 1981 after 40 years that included coverage of World War II from Italy.

Appreciation expressed to HCC

HSCA is perpetually indebted to people who so generously offer their time and efforts in maintaining the daily delivery of meals to the homebound, which is crucial to many people. In striving to improve the lives of confined

people in this community, HSCA has provided this home meal delivery program for the past twenty-five years. Without such volunteerism, there could be no home meal delivery program. We are just reminded once again that philanthropy is

one of the great characteristics of Hereford.

In this respect, we at HSCA wish to pay tribute to Hereford Care Center employees Debra, Karen, Frances, Janette, Gloria and Doris. All of these girls have volunteered in various spots these past few weeks, including the serving line at the center and setting-up and jumping for the home meal delivery, and this is in addition to their regular jobs.

Also, six of Hereford Care Center residents visited our center last Thursday and enjoyed Mexican Stack. We are always happy to have groups visit and we hope they make a habit of it.

New Members

April 1999

Mrs. Antonio Romero

Thrift Store

Odds 'n' Ends

By **Connie Daniels**

We appreciate all the positive comments regarding the "new look" and organization of the Thriftstore. What a challenge it has been! We sure couldn't have come this far without the hard work of all our volunteers and staff. We also appreciate so many of you attending the volunteer reception. Hope you had a great "Volunteer Week!"

Thanks again to all those

who donate. Many are "spring" cleaning and we appreciate all the items given to us. You can bring donations to the store Wednesday, Thursday or Friday from 9:00-5:00 or we can pick up for you if you will call the Center at 364-5681.

The Thriftstore will be open Saturday, May 15th from 9:00-4:00 and will continue the "25¢/pair Shoe Sale" through the month of May.

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Explanation of home delivered meal program

By Margie Daniels

I would like to take time and explain the Home Delivered Meal Program, why we have to do some of the things we do.

We sometimes have complaints concerning the time schedule of delivery. We have three routes with from 60 to 75 deliveries to be made. We cannot schedule everyone at 11:30 a.m. or 12:00 noon. The ideal system would be to have individual people to deliver

approximately 8 to 10 meals per day. Of course this would take an enormous group of people and autos.

Then the time schedule leads to another problem of keeping food at a safe temperature. We know it is hot when you receive it but setting on the table for thirty minutes to a couple of hours, of course it cannot possibly be hot when you eat it. If you are not going to eat your food within 30

minutes, you need to refrigerate it and heat it up when you are ready for it. The aluminum trays cannot be heated in the microwave. You can set it in a warm oven.

Our menus are analyzed and the calorie count is from 650 to 800 per meal. This is at least and sometimes a little more than the USDA recommended daily allowance. Guidelines are from the Department of Agriculture and the Department of

Aging.

There is a lot of confusion concerning the payment of your meal. All Seniors who are eligible give a donation of what you can afford. Some people will tell you, you have to pay \$3.00 per meal. This is NOT TRUE AND HAS CAUSED A LOT OF PROBLEMS IN BOTH THE HOME DELIVERED PROGRAM AND CONGREGATE PROGRAM. Our meals, home delivered and congregate

have always been based on what you can afford. This is a State and Federal Rule! The board of directors suggested we who can afford it to pay \$3.00. No one is to know what you give. It is confidential and your own business!

Our Staff and Volunteers have to remember, we cannot tell you what you have to pay. Remember you donate what you can afford or feel comfortable paying.

May at HSC

HEREFORD SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES FOR MAY 1999											
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY					
Quilting Daily, 9:00am to 3:00pm Exercise Class, 10-10:45am Line Dance, 10:00-11:00am Doll Class, Monday, 1:00-4:00pm Ceramics, Wednesday, 12-4:00pm Oil Painting, 9-11:00am		THRIFT STORE OPEN 9:00AM TO 5:00PM WED., THURS. & FRI. 1306 E. PARK AVE. Also SAT., MAY 15 9:00AM TO 4:00PM			MOTHER'S DAY <i>Mother in gladness, Mother in sorrow,</i> <i>Mother today, and Mother tomorrow,</i> <i>With arms ever open to fold and caress you</i> <i>O Mother of Mine, may God keep you and</i> <i> bless you.</i> W. Dayton Wedgefath		MAY 1				
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Nutrition Update

By Charlotte R. Clark
MS RD/LD

BREAKFAST: A HEALTHY START

You may be slow to wake up and get ready for the day. Yet you are in a RUSH TO START. Many adults are tempted to skip breakfast. In fact, as many as one out of six skip breakfast. Well, did you know that:

Breakfast jumpstarts your brain. Hunger, even short-term hunger you may experience if you miss breakfast, decreases attention span and ability to concentrate. You are more alert and perform better in all tasks. You are more creative and energetic.

Breakfast is a healthy start for each day. To obtain the needed nutrition to keep your body in optimal health one needs

following:

- protein for replacement of cells necessary for healing;
- good sources of zinc, iron and calcium to help keep bones healthy and reduce the development of osteoporosis;
- vitamins to help with resistance to infection; and
- carbohydrates to give energy.

A nutritious breakfast should include a variety of foods, such as cereal or toast, milk, and fruit. One can be adventurous and include some alternate dishes such as burritos. These are fun and along with traditional favorites are good sources of vitamins and minerals.

Breakfast is quality time for the family. Breakfast provided an opportunity for family members to talk and interact with each other. Sitting down to enjoy breakfast together for even a few

minutes can provide an important time for family members to discuss what is happening in their lives. This can be a time for parents to serve as role models for healthy eating habits if children are still in the home.

Breakfast is a quick and easy meal that can be fun with little preparation.

Here is a recipe for Wacky Waffle Stacks!

- 3 round toast waffles
- ¼ c. plain or strawberry-flavored soft cream cheese
- 1½ tablespoons strawberry preserves or fruit spread
- 1 medium banana, sliced, or 6 strawberries, sliced
- 4 whole strawberries, if desired to garnish

Toast waffles according to package directions. Place 1 waffle on plate. Spread with 2 Tbsp. cream cheese and ½ of the preserves. Arrange ½ sliced fruit on top.

Taylor gives program for TRIAD/S.A.L.T.

On April 9, Officer Ron Taylor of the Hereford Police Department spoke to the TRIAD/S.A.L.T. meeting at Hereford Senior Citizens Center.

He discussed efforts underway in the community to improve our animal shelter and animal adoption program by starting a Deaf Smith County Humane Society and obtaining grants to facilitate the society.

Taylor stated the animal control department took 1,800 calls last year which resulted in sheltering approximately 1,600 animals.

Taylor was asked to research the initial idea of obtaining grants which led to the formation of a citizen exploratory committee charged with looking at the formation of a local humane society.

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MAY 3	Wieners Sauerkraut Hash Brown Potatoes Blackeyed Peas Mixed Fruit Cup Cookies ALT: Smothered Chicken Sl. Tomatoes Vanilla Wafers	MAY 4	Cornflaked Baked Chicken w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Bu. Carrots Rosy Applesauce Chocolate Cake ALT: Roast Beef Plain Cake	MAY 5	Swiss Steak Oven Br. Potatoes Bu. Peas Tossed Green Salad Mixed Fruit Cobbler ALT: Sliced Ham Yellow Squash Mixed Fruit	MAY 6	MEXICAN STACK Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Salad Fixings Tostados Pineapple Tidbits ALT: Chicken Fillet	MAY 7	Red Snapper Fish w/ Lemon Wedge Creamed Potatoes Italian Gr. Beans Coleslaw Choc. Silk Pie ALT: Smothered Pork Bu. Carrots Peaches
MAY 10	Meat Loaf Noodles Al'Fredo Seasoned Spinach Carrot/Raisin Salad Fruited Vanilla Pudding ALT: Fish Sticks w/ Lemon Wedge Cauliflower D'zerta Pudding	MAY 11	Roast Beef w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Seasoned Gr. Beans 7-up Salad Carrot Cake ALT: Ham Stewed Tomatoes D'zerta Salad Peaches	MAY 12	Chicken Strips w/ Gravy Oriental Rice Seasoned Broccoli Cranberry Sauce Pineapple Upside Down Cake ALT: Roast Pork Yellow Squash Pineapple	MAY 13	Beef Brisket Stewed Apricots Oven Br. Potatoes Pinto Beans Coleslaw Peach Pie ALT: Roast Chicken Mixed Fruit Cup	MAY 14	Fried Pollock w/ Lemon Wedge Au Gratin Potatoes Corn O'Brian Fruit/Cabbage Slaw Lemon Ice Box Pudding ALT: Polish Sausage Mixed Fruit
MAY 17	Beef Stew (Potatoes, Onions Celery & Tomatoes) Cheese Stix Fried Okra Creamy Coleslaw Angel Food Cake w/ Toppings ALT: Chicken Stew Fruit Cup	MAY 18	Chicken Strips Creamy Gravy Mashed Potatoes Bu. Scand Vegetables Pear/Cottage Cheese Salad Boston Cream Cake ALT: Roast Pork D'zerta Salad Pears	MAY 19	Italian Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Bu. Carrots Garden Salad Ice Cream w/ Fruit Topping ALT: Chicken A'La King Mixed Fruit Cup	MAY 20	MEXICAN STACK Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Salad Fixings Tostados Pineapple Tidbits Cookies ALT: Chicken Breast Bu. Normandy Veggies Vanilla Wafers	MAY 21	Catfish Fillet w/ Lemon Wedge Cheese Grits Seasoned Gr. Beans Cabbage/Carrot Slaw Sherbet ALT: Beef Fingers w/ Gravy Harvard Beets
MAY 24	Salisbury Steak Baked Potato w/ Sour Cream/ Grated Cheese Fried Okra 5 Cup Fruit Salad Sugar Cookies ALT: Chicken Fillet Vanilla Wafers	MAY 25	Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy Mashed Potatoes Blackeyed Peas Garden Salad w/ Tomato Wedge Apple Cobbler ALT: Sliced Ham Applesauce	MAY 26	Polish Sausage Scalloped Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes Cottage Cheese w/ Chopped Veggies Bread Pudding w/ Lemon Sauce ALT: Salmon Patties w/ Sauce Mixed Fruit Vanilla Wafers	MAY 27	Chicken & Noodles Bu. Parslied Carrots Sunshine Salad Ice Cream ALT: Hamburger Steak w/ Gravy on Noodles D'zerta Salad Sherbet	MAY 28	Breaded Fish w/ Lemon Juice Macaroni & Cheese Bu. Mixed Veggies Coleslaw Lemon Cake ALT: Brisket Peaches
MAY 31	Sliced Ham w/ Natural Gravy Sweet Potato Patties Seasoned Gr. Beans Sliced Tomato Salad Meringue Pie ALT: Salisbury Steak Cauliflower Mixed Fruit		DAILY CHOICE: Whole, 1 1/2% and Buttermilk Bread of the Day: Whole Wheat, White or Cornbread	HEREFORD SENIOR CITIZENS - 426 RANGER Serving Meals - Monday through Friday 11:15 A.M TO 12:30 P.M. For Information on Home Delivered Meals Call: (806) 364-5681					

Aging expert: Genes are no predictor of destiny

By Paula Story

Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) — While expert Robert Kahn addressed a conference on aging, 75-year-old Anthony LaCapra was completing his 1 1/2-hour workout on a stationary bike and treadmill.

Kahn explained that much of what Americans believe about aging is either myth or half-truth. LaCapra, who is retired, was following a fitness regimen that would make many youthful weekend warriors weep.

After his workout on the bike and treadmill, he uses resistance weights for about

an hour before turning to the pool for an hour of laps.

And LaCapra does this three times each week.

"I feel better today than I did at 30," he said.

He began going to the gym at the suggestion of his doctor about a decade ago. He suffered a massive tear in his rotator cuff while working as a warehouseman. His physician said he could recover more quickly if he built up his strength.

"I had my ups and downs in earlier years," LaCapra said. "But it dawned on me after I retired. Instead of being a couch potato, I could keep active and live longer."

That's just what Kahn, co-author of the book "Successful Aging," was telling an audience April 9 at the 14th Annual Regional Geriatric Conference. Upstairs, in the Downtown Athletic Club, LaCapra was working out.

"It's up to you, genes are not your destiny," said Kahn, a psychology and public health professor at the University of Michigan.

Kahn, 81, says, while many people blame "getting old" on fate and genetics, staying young is mostly a lifestyle choice.

While your cellular blueprint does have some influ-

ence on how well you age, much of that can be counteracted with a lifestyle that includes regular exercise and healthy eating habits.

Staying mentally active and maintaining connections to other people through family, volunteer work or hobbies is also important.

Unfortunately, studies show that only about one in every five elderly people get any regular exercise, Kahn said.

"That is sad, because muscle atrophy is not only reversible, but avoidable," he said.

The good news is that years of inactivity and unhealthy living can be reversed with consistent exercise in later years.

Kahn gives himself as an example. At age 35 he was diagnosed with cancer. He recovered but, at age 50, doctors told him he had high blood pressure and needed to make some serious lifestyle changes. Now, he goes to the gym regularly.

"It can be a little embarrassing at first," Kahn said. "I see those beautiful young bodies and they see mine."

He now goes with a group of friends, and they support and cajole each other to keep it up.

"As a result, I'm still around to see my grandkids," Kahn said.

Billionaire slowing down, but still makes deals at 90

By Kristen Moulton

Associated Press Writer

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Jack Simplot is an old man and feels it.

The potato farmer who built an agricultural colossus in one generation and bankrolled Micron Technology in the next turned 90 on Jan. 4.

He has hung up his skis, talks of moving out of the corner office at J.R. Simplot Co. headquarters to make room for the president, and has told Micron he will soon retire from the board.

"You look around and see how many 90-year-olds are sittin' up here back of a desk," says Simplot. "I'm feeling it. Hell, I'm not as spry as I was. I'm not dumb, you know."

Simplot, who plays gin rummy at the private Arid Club most every day, did not become Idaho's richest man or one of the nation's biggest landowners on a gambler's luck alone.

Fovbes magazine last year estimated his wealth at \$2.5 billion, which tied Simplot for 130th richest person in America. Simplot says his personal stock portfolio alone is worth nearly \$2 billion.

He turned ownership of the J.R. Simplot Co. over to his children in 1994, the same year two sons, his daughter and a grandson began sharing the "office of chairman." "They've not done as good as I'd hoped," offers Simplot.

The company makes most of its \$3 billion in annual sales through processing potatoes and other vegetables, agricultural fertilizer and beef cattle. Among its holdings is the Paisley Ranch in southcentral Oregon, the nation's largest at 136 miles long and 65 miles wide.

"I'm a lucky guy that was born in a lucky country," Simplot says. "I'm no Houdini. I like to bet my own judgment and I've been successful at it."

Idaho, says former Gov. Phil Batt, has swept up the winnings.

"There's a great percentage of our jobs that are due to his efforts one way or another," Batt says.

Computer chip maker Micron is Idaho's biggest employer

with 11,000 of its 15,000 employees in the state. Some 5,200 of J.R. Simplot Co.'s 12,000 employees work in Idaho.

Simplot always had plenty of pluck.

Born John Richard Simplot in Dubuque, Iowa, and raised with five siblings on a homestead in Declo in southcentral Idaho, Simplot left home at 14 after his taskmaster father refused to let him attend a basketball game.

His mother gave him four \$20 gold coins, and he paid \$1 a day for room and board at the town's only hotel. Teachers also boarding there were paid in interest-bearing scrip, and Simplot bought it for 50 cents on the dollar, using it for collateral on a bank loan to buy 600 hogs at \$1 each.

He spent the winter shooting wild horses, selling the hides and boiling the meat with potato scraps to feed the hogs.

When prices jumped the next year, he marched some rare fat hogs to market for a whopping \$7,500.

That was Simplot's stake for the potato business. He leased land and from an early partner learned to plant certified seed, not cull potatoes as was then common. Idaho's dominance in potatoes grew with the innovation.

Simplot bought an early electric potato sorter and by 1940 had bought or built 33 potato warehouses along the rich Snake River plains from Idaho Falls to Vale, Ore.

After the war, his food production business expanded into freezing and canning, developing the product that would become the company's mainstay: the frozen french fry, patented in the 1950s.

Simplot struck a deal with McDonald's Corp. founder Ray Kroc, and his fry business grew with Americans' love for fast food.

A former McDonald's board member, Simplot still drives his white Lincoln Town Car with "Mr. Spud" vanity plates to the fast food chain for hashbrowns or french fries several times a week.

In 1980, the 71-year-old took a gamble on the next genera-

tion of businessmen, giving twins Ward and Joe Parkinson \$1 million for 40 percent of what would become Micron Technology.

Simplot, who doesn't type or use a computer, pumped in \$20 million more to help Micron

build its first fabrication plant.

Simplot says he wants to retire just as soon as he visits chip plants in Italy and Singapore that Micron bought from Texas Instruments last fall.

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At 71, Soderstrom still hits high notes

NEW YORK (AP) — The last time Elisabeth Soderstrom sang at the Metropolitan Opera, in 1987, stage manager Ossie Hawkins took her portable name plate off her dressing room door and presented it to her.

The Swedish soprano asked him why. "Well, you're retiring aren't you?" he replied. As she recalls, she said, "Are you sure? Perhaps they find me a part for a very old lady."

This year they did. At 71, she may still have been a bit young for the role of the 87-year-old Countess in Tchaikovsky's "The Queen of Spades." But Soderstrom, beloved by Metropolitan Opera audiences since her 1959 debut as Susanna in "The Marriage of Figaro," was back all the same, for seven performances that ended in mid-April.

Music critic Martin Bernheimer wrote in *Newsday*: "Her silvery soprano may seem a bit wan in this context, but, unlike many an illustrious predecessor, she proved that the essential points can be scored with dignity and restraint rather than grotesquerie and hysteria."

She is far from having retired. This summer she is sharing 20 singing engagements in Sweden with another singer and an actress. But when the Met first asked her to sing the Countess, she declined. The Met persisted. Who, she asked this time, is singing Ghermann? Placido Domingo.

"I said 'OK. I'll come.'"

For the part, the makeup department "adds lines to my own wrinkles," Soderstrom says. As for the Countess' personality, "I've tried to show she is not a mean person. She has no patience. Very old

people usually don't. They say straight out what they think. They do all the things they are able to do and are irritated over those they cannot do."

"When she goes to a party, she has her corset and walks straight and keeps her head up high. When she gets back home and they take the corset off her she — not completely — collapses."

Years ago, Soderstrom sang Lisa in a Swedish production of "The Queen of Spades," which took place in Ghermann's mind. "When Lisa drowns herself in the river, I was jumping into a sea of playing cards. I landed on the shoulders of four ballet dancers who carried me swimming among the cards."

Still earlier, while a student at the Royal Academy of Music in Stockholm, she sang one of the shepherds while Birgit Nilsson sang Lisa.

When Soderstrom was 60, Dominick Argento was composing "The Aspern Papers" and asked her to sing a woman who appears at ages 30 and 90. "I told him I was the ideal person, just in between the two. But I was worried."

"I said, 'Maybe when you finish this opera, I don't have any notes left in my throat.' He said, 'I'll compose for the ones you've got,' which was very kind of him. It turned out to be a wonderful opera." She sang in the premiere in 1988 in Dallas.

Soderstrom has sung 78 times at the Met. Hers has been an unusual career. She started singing modern music in her first year at the Royal Academy. "Boys from the composers class would come to me and say, 'I've just written this.

Could you please sing it so I know what it sounds like?' Which I did."

"That spread around the world of contemporary music," she says, "here's somebody willing to risk her vocal cords."

"Soon I was invited to Cologne. It was like a door opening to the musical world in Europe. I was only 22. With contemporary music and popular singing on radio programs and my service in the Royal Opera, I don't know when I slept. I was everywhere and did everything. I remember people telling me when I was 22, 'If you go on like this, your voice will only last for a year.'"

It has lasted a half-century. "I think a voice needs exercise. It is much nicer to sing a concert than to sing vocalise," Soderstrom says.

Many of the anecdotes she remembers are little jokes on herself.

Early in her career with the Swedish National Opera ensemble, Soderstrom had an allergic reaction to nuts on the eve of a performance which reduced her voice to a croak. She called the woman in charge and asked to be excused from singing.

"I said, 'Can you tell the audience I'm not disposed?' She said, 'Dear Miss Soderstrom, the audience will hear that for themselves.'"

Her first important international engagement was in 1955 in Salzburg, Austria, in Pfitzner's "Palestrina." That led to engagements at Covent Garden, concerts and Glyndebourne. There she was heard by Met manager Rudolph Bing. In 1959, Bing invited her to the Met.

She had two small boys, and in 1960, when she be-

came pregnant with her third child, she asked Bing to release her from her contract singing Musetta, with Renata Tebaldi as Mimi, in "La Boheme."

She was ordered to perform, and did. "I almost had a child on stage."

Inwardly trembling, Soderstrom went to Bing to say she didn't want to renew her Met contract. Her husband, Sverker Olow, a Navy officer, was often away at sea, and she felt one parent should be at home with the children. Bing, she said, "thought I was mad. He said people will sell their souls to get a contract like this."

She returned to Europe, nonetheless. She did TV shows, including "The Cloak," the first opera production commissioned by European TV. "I had my own radio program talking about classical music for people who thought they didn't like classical music. One of the most rewarding things has been people writing to me and saying 'Your talk opened a door to such a rich world of music I would never have dreamed of visiting.'"

"I believe very much in the power of music not only making everyday life more interesting but helping people who are isolated, either where they live or in their lives," she said.

Soderstrom was one of the six first opera singers to have locomotives named for them in the undersea tunnel linking England and France. "Because it's a shuttle, each train has two locomotives. Teresa Berganza and I are on the same train."

She sang "sort of a farewell" at the Edinburgh Festival in 1992, Poulenc's "La Voix Humaine," and two days later, did her one and only cabaret evening there, singing songs she'd always wanted to sing, including "Bridge over Troubled Water" and "The Man I Love."

In 1991 she started working with the Drottningholm Opera in Sweden, and quit in 1997, exactly 50 years after her debut with that theater. She chose that anniversary, she said, because "I thought it would look nice on my gravestone or in the dictionaries."

Dr. Donohue

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My 5-year-old grandson has tics. He touches his mouth with a finger every few seconds. Then he starts jerking his head and blinking his eyes tightly. He also clears his throat every few seconds. A local doctor has had success in treating tics with amino acids. Will you please advise us on this problem? — V.B.

ANSWER: A tic is a brief, involuntary movement, with the emphasis on "involuntary." The face might temporarily contort into a grimace. The head can turn to one side. Lips might smack. Squeezing the eyelids shut is a common tic. Throat clearing can be non-stop.

One out of every four children has a tic sometime during childhood and generally outgrows it in one year.

Tic frequency often waxes and wanes. Stress makes tics worse. It is important for parents and grandparents not to make a fuss about a tic. That stresses the child more and makes tics worse.

There are some worrisome aspects to your grandson's tics. Not only does he

have motor tics—the head jerking—but he also has vocal tics—throat clearing. A combination of motor and vocal tics points in the direction of Tourette's syndrome. With Tourette's syndrome, tics don't usually fade away in a year, but there are medicines that can control them.

The child's parents should take him to a pediatric neurologist who can set the record straight and decide if medication is appropriate. Forget the amino acid treatment.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My granddaughter, 33, has had diabetes since age 11. She has never been good at staying on her diet. Her right leg causes her to limp. Is that a sign that she might have to have the limb amputated? I haven't been able to convince her that she needs to see a doctor. — H.H.

ANSWER: Strict control of blood sugar and many new diabetes products, including home blood sugar testing, have lessened the number of amputations done for diabetes.

An amputation becomes necessary when blood supply is blocked and

tissues die. When that happens, the skin often turns black. Poor circulation is one consequence of diabetes. The illness sets up blood vessels for blockage. That's the reason it is important for people with diabetes to inspect their feet daily for any sore that is not healing.

Perhaps your granddaughter's limp results from nerves damaged by diabetes. Diabetes maltreats nerves as much as it does blood vessels. She needs to see a doctor to discover the cause of the limp. It could be completely unrelated to diabetes, but the issue has to be settled.

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