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Domestic abuse on rise

Today's weather OUTLOOK

Mostly clear skies
Tonight, mostly clear, low 30 to 35, south wind around 10 mph.
Saturday, mostly sunny, high around 70, southwest wind 15 to 20 mph with higher gusts.



Extended forecast
Sunday, partly cloudy, low 35 to 40, high in the mid-60s.
Monday, partly cloudy, low in the mid- to upper 30s, high in the upper 50s to lower 60s.
Tuesday, cloudy with a chance of showers, low 35 to 40, high in the mid-50s.
Hereford weather
Thursday's high, 71; low, 33; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

■ Reports of violence surges as the holiday season approaches

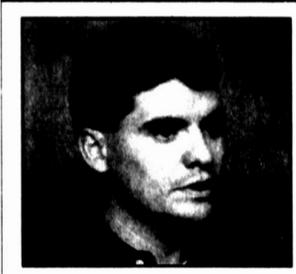
By Dianna F. Dandridge
Hereford Brand Staff Writer

'Tis the season — not necessarily the for gold and tinsel of holiday adornments — but rather the black-and-blue marks resulting from domestic violence.

In the last two weeks, law enforcement officers, judges, counselors, clergy and crisis center employees have seen an increase in the number of incidents reported and individuals arrested.

"On the average, since January of this month we've taken about 30 calls a month, with about half of those resulting in violent acts," Hereford Police Capt. Pat Michael said.

Michael said August was the worst month with 48 reports being taken and 24 resulting violent acts; July fol-



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Johnnie Turrentine, justice of the peace



lowed with 43 calls and 21 turning violent.

This past weekend, at least four individuals were arrested and charged with domestic assault. Police answered numerous other calls relating to domestic violence.

"I don't know why this is so," Deaf Smith County Justice of the Peace Johnnie Turrentine said. "Some of it is weather related. If people are cooped up together for too long and get in a fight, it usually winds up in a domestic assault."

Turrentine's records indicate there were 16 domestic violence arrests in November 1998. This November, three arrests were made prior to this weekend.

"It's really strange," she said. "One man was arrested on Nov. 11, 1998. The same man was arrested on Nov. 12, this year. Something has to be going on."

"Part of it is the season," said Sheri Nevins, director of the Hereford Women's and Children's Crisis Center. "A lot of it has to do with the

financial issues of the season. They know they have to buy gifts for everyone and get stressed out."

Nevins did say an increased public awareness has led to more reports and more charges being filed.

"Summer time is a more happy-go-lucky time. People can get out. Men especially can get out and away from their wives when they are upset. Holidays are always the worse time for suicides or crime," said Mike Sullivan, pastor at First Assembly of

God Church.

Authorities also see alcohol as a primary factor in the number of increased cases of domestic assault.

"Sometimes, they will get to drinking with their buddies and they take the violence home," Turrentine said.

"Alcohol is a big factor, especially this time of the year," Nevins said. "There are more social events, with drinking involved. Then they can't get out and get rid of the alcohol

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Senate getting budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — A stormy year in Congress tottered toward its end with the Senate taking up a House-passed bill that would provide \$390 billion for federal programs while assuring another year of government surpluses.

The 2,000-page bill that would complete Congress' budgetary duties for the year swept through the House on Thursday on a 296-135 vote. It faced a trickier road through the Senate, although eventual passage was near certain.

Several senators, protecting homestate interests, threatened to delay that final vote to protest provisions affecting such issues as satellite TV regulations, mining rights and dairy prices.

But with senators anxious to adjourn for the year, the Senate could finish the bill as early as this weekend. However, to be safe in the event the budget package is stalled, Congress approved a measure Thursday keeping federal offices open through Dec. 2.

The 106th Congress began last January with the political furor of President Clinton's impeachment trial and bogged down into political fighting that frustrated the goals of both sides.

The president vetoed the GOP's top priority, a 10-year, \$792 billion tax cut, while top items on the Democratic legislative list — campaign finance reform, patients' rights, a minimum wage increase and gun control — never came to fruition.

But the budget bill gives both sides some bragging rights. While Democrats dispute their figures, Republicans claim they succeeded in balancing the budget without touching the Social Security surplus.

Republicans got Clinton to agree to an 0.38 percent across-the-board spending cut that House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., said would "force these agencies to take a close look at their budget and see what frivolous spending can be eliminated."

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Packed House

An audience of more than 200 (above) filled the room Thursday for the opening night of the Festival of Trees Melodrama at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center. The melodrama cast members asked for suggestions from the audience and received more than what they bargained for — usually causing cast members to forget their lines and burst into laughs. The melodrama, "Double Take at Beatrice's Boarding House, or Things Are Not Always What They Seem," revolves around Beatrice (left), played by Carole McGilvary, owner of the boarding house, forced to marry evil Luther Swett, played by Bill Phipps, or close her boarding house doors. The Festival of Trees activities continue through the weekend. Festival Gala and auction begin at 6 tonight, dinner and melodrama at 7 p.m. Saturday and holiday turkey buffet on Sunday at noon.

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Students lack civics knowledge

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two-thirds of high school seniors — many old enough to vote in next year's elections — have a basic understanding of how American government works, but more may lack the civics education to cast informed votes, a survey suggests.

The results of the 1998 national test of government and civics education show that just 26 percent of 12th graders scored well enough to demonstrate a good understanding of how governments work and the ability to apply what they have learned to concrete situations.

"What these young voters know and don't know about civics and government will have an impact on all of us,"

said Diane Ravitch, a prominent education researcher and former Bush administration education official who sits on the board that oversees the tests. "We cannot be content when so many young voters are so poorly prepared."

Education Secretary Richard Riley said Thursday results could improve as more schools focus on civics instruction and special projects such as field trips to city council meetings.

The test, called the National Assessment of Educational Progress, is administered by a nationwide group established by Congress. The exam are given a nationwide sample of children in three grade levels in core subjects such as math and reading. Occasionally,

other subjects such as the arts and civics are tested.

The last civics test was given in 1988, but cannot be compared with this one because of major content changes. The new civics test — which differed by grade level — was given in 1998 to nationally representative samples totaling 22,000 fourth, eighth and 12th graders in public and private schools.

According to test givers, an eighth-grade child at the basic level is supposed to identify the basics of how American democracy works and know that the ideas come from the Bill of Rights, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

The 12th graders should

show they can understand — as well as identify — those fundamentals.

Like the high school seniors, about one-third of fourth graders and eighth graders performed below basic levels, meaning there are serious gaps in their knowledge.

Among the test findings were that fewer than half of 12th graders knew the president and the State Department have more authority over foreign policy than Congress or the courts; 36 percent knew the Supreme Court used the Constitution's 14th Amendment to invalidate state laws that segregate public schools; only 9 percent could list two ways democratic society benefits from the active participation of its citizens.

BIVINS

Senator said to be requesting illegal donations for Bush

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — A Texas state senator reportedly is asking Arizona lawmakers for a portion of their own campaign funds for Republican presidential contender George W. Bush, a practice said to be illegal.

Texas Sen. Teel Bivins, whose district includes Amarillo and Deaf Smith County, used official Texas Senate stationery to tell Arizona legislators that a contribution of up to \$1,000 from their own campaign account is legal, according to a report in today's editions of *The Tribune*, a newspaper covering suburban Phoenix.

The Tribune also said Arizona statutes prohibit the transfer from any state campaign account to another candidate's federal or state campaign.



TEEL BIVINS

Reportedly asking Arizona lawmakers to give campaign funds to Bush. Rep. Marilyn Jarrett, R-Mesa, who heads the Arizona House Ethics Committee, told the newspaper she will send letters to Republican lawmakers warning them that funneling money to another candidate is illegal.

Bivins did not return telephone calls seeking comment by *The Tribune*.

The newspaper said it had obtained a copy of the letter which said in part: "You may already be aware of this, but I just learned the other day that you could make a contribution of up to \$1,000 to a presidential candidate out of your campaign account."

"I believe there is one Republican candidate in the field that is especially deserving of a contribution. That is George W. Bush," Bivins wrote.

The letter also states — erroneously — that "state legislative campaign committees may contribute up to \$1,000 to all federal candidates combined," *The Tribune* said.

Kelly Huff, spokeswoman for the Federal Elections Commission, told *The Tribune* the practice is not prohibited by federal law, so long as the money did not come from prohibited sources and the donation doesn't exceed \$1,000, but that the Arizona ban on such

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Local roundup

Holiday Bereavement Series

The Crown of Texas Hospice is presenting a "Holiday Bereavement Series", Mondays Nov. 15, 22, 29, and Dec. 16, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Fellowship of Believer's Church. This bereavement support series is for those who have experienced the death of a loved one. The series will be guided by Mona Romero, MSW, Professional Grief Counselor for Crown of Texas Hospice. It is presented as a free service to the community. For more information call 372-7696 or 1-800-572-6365.

Covenant to conduct coat drive

Covenant Family Healthcare Center of Hereford will conduct a community-wide coat drive Nov. 22-Dec. 15.

Covenant Family Healthcare Center, 125 W. Park Ave., will serve as the drop off site for the donated coats. The Deaf Smith County chapter of the American Red Cross and Guadalupe Economic Services will be the recipients of the coats donated this year.

Each coat will be cleaned free of charge by Custom Cleaners. The drive will accept men's, women's, and children's coats of all shapes and sizes.

Covenant Family Healthcare Center of Hereford is part of a primary network in 24 communities that Covenant Health System is developing throughout West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. The centers are part of a system that provides comprehensive and preventive care at the local level.

Community Thanksgiving service

Hereford Ministerial Alliance will host a Community Thanksgiving Service at 6 p.m. Sunday at the Avenue Baptist Church. The speaker will be Bishop Richard Collins of Faith Mission Church of Hereford. Those attending are asked to bring canned goods for the Good Shepherd Food Pantry. The Service is open to everyone in the community.

Football send-off rally

The community fans of the Hereford football team are invited to join in the team send-off this Saturday. Participants can meet under the bridge at Highway 385 at 10:45 a.m. Parking is available.



Piles and piles of leaves -- Trees don't seem to realize that the local weather is still reminiscent of early summer days and are dropping their leaves by the bucketful. Some residents are kept busy raking them into piles, bagging them and dragging the bags to the dumpster. Thursday's blustery winds made a lot of the raking effort of no use as many leaves were blown away from raked piles and will only have to be raked up again.

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News digest

Second brother executed

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Jose Gutierrez was tried for murder and condemned together with his brother.

On Thursday night, with his family watching a few feet away, he was strapped to the same gurney his brother, Jessie, climbed on five years ago and was put to death.

Both were convicted of killing a College Station jewelry store clerk in a 1989 robbery.

"Father, into thy hands I commit my spirit," he said after singing two verses of a hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy!" and reciting The Lord's Prayer.

Six minutes later, he was pronounced dead and became the third condemned murderer to be put to death in Texas in as many days and 31st this year.

Bush outlines foreign policy

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — Ronald Reagan made the leap from state governor to world leader, and Texas Gov. George W. Bush chose Reagan's presidential library today for a foreign policy speech aimed at showing he can as well.

The Republican presidential front-runner planned to draw a "stark contrast" with conservative rivals on foreign policy as he called for a "new American internationalism."

"America must seize the moment," Bush declared Thursday in Iowa as he gave reporters a preview of his remarks. Such an activist role must extend to new trade deals, strengthened alliances with other countries and development of regional missile defense systems around the world.

"America must not retreat within our borders," said Bush. More centrally, Bush said he wants to focus on the "threshold question," which in his mind is whether the United States should play an active role in the world or adopt a more isolationist stance.

Bound for Santa land



Annual visitors -- People visit the Nolon Henson train display at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center each year and always find something new to catch their attention. This year Juanita Coker, Betty Freeman,

Jane Packard and Frances Crume stopped to watch the dancing figures that were having their pictures taken at Santa Land, a new addition to the thousands of pieces previously used.

School gun raffle draws fire

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Gun advocates are buying tickets by the hundreds to show their support for a private school's gun raffle, which drew criticism from school safety advocates in the wake of the Columbine massacre.

Five hunting rifles and shotguns are being raffled Dec. 6-10 by Hobgood Academy in Halifax County, which plans to use the money to buy new equipment for the Future Farmers of America group of high school students.

In light of the April shooting at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., where two students killed 13 others before committing suicide, as well as other school shootings nationwide, the raffle drew media attention and healthy criticism from school safety advocates.

Then buyers surfaced from all over the country, saying they wanted to register their disapproval of antigun groups by purchasing the \$10 tickets. Many said they learned of the raffle from Internet newsgroups and newspaper articles, said headmaster John Hardison.

"I'm sure we're getting this interest because of the publicity," he said. "We're not insensitive to gun violence; we're a school, too. I don't understand what all the commotion is for. We weren't looking for this publicity."

HEREFORD BRAND

Letters to the editor

Actions dismay employee

Dear Editor:

I have bitten my tongue and tried to control myself for several months, but I feel that I must write to you with my concerns. I am proud to say that I am an employee of Hereford Independent School District, with two children who attend Hereford ISD. I am also a Hereford taxpayer and I must say that I am fed up with all of the negative press that the school district has been receiving in the *Hereford Brand*. The letter to the editor in the Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1999 issue just put me over the edge. Why not take the "Joe Friday" approach? "The facts, ma'am, just the facts." Fact: There are administrators attending the games in Austin and in Odessa, but the "Annoyed Teacher" has taken the liberty to assume the details of the trips and should verify the details before writing to the editor. Fact: These administrators will be taking their personal time accumulated off and paying their own way to and from the games. I think the *Hereford Brand* should also check all its facts before jumping on the band wagon and publishing an "anonymous" letter that may not contain all the facts.

Don Cumpton works very hard as director of the Hereford Economic Development Corp. trying to bring new business to Hereford. It seems to me that companies would be more likely to move to Hereford and open a business if the *Brand* didn't choose to

print such negative statements. I know that you have to report the facts, but are you reporting the facts or just hear-say? An example of this would be your cartoon of a HISD employee chasing a bouncing paycheck. By publishing snide cartoons like that you are personally responsible for creating a negative image towards the district's integrity and morale of the community. Mrs. Abernethy did not create the financial disposition that faces the district. She should be given a fair chance to resolve the problems facing Hereford ISD, but she can't do it alone and your constant negative "media hype" is not helping matters at all. The entire community needs to pull together and work through this. If you don't have enough facts to report, then maybe the *Brand* should not be published five days a week.

Louan San Miguel

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The letter to the editor referred to by Mrs. San Miguel was published in the Wednesday issue of the newspaper. A retraction of the letter was published in the Thursday issue. The newspaper has never implied that HISD Superintendent Elizabeth Abernethy created the financial problems facing the school district and, in fact, has not only stated that in editorials and columns, but also has praised her for making the situation public.)

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Obituaries

EVELYN GRIJALVA

Nov. 17, 1999

Services for Evelyn Grijalva, 74, of Hereford will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the Kingdom Hall Jehovah's Witness Congregation with Ben Martinez, of the Roswell N.M. Kingdom Hall. Mrs. Grijalva will be cremated. Arrangements are under the direction of Gililand-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Grijalva died Wednesday at her home.

She was born June 6, 1925, in Kenedy, Texas, to Andres Salinas and Maura Garcia. She married Salvador Grijalva on June 23, 1949, in Pecos.

Mrs. Grijalva came to Deaf Smith County in 1970. She was a beautician and member of Jehovah's Witnesses Congregation.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Maria Teresa Trevino of Lubbock, Stella Lois Sanchez of Cedar Crest, N.M., Martha Marie Gilbreath of Albuquerque N.M.; two sons, Jesse Grijalva of Roswell, N.M., and Luis Grijalva of Amarillo; 17 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

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AGUSTIN RODRIGUEZ

Nov. 18, 1999

Graveside services for Agustin Rodriguez III, 15 day old infant son of Agustin Rodriguez, Jr., and Estella Castillo of Hereford will be 3 p.m. Saturday at West Park Cemetery with Earnest Cantu of Jehovah's Witness Congregation officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Rix Funeral Directors.

Agustin died Wednesday at Children's Medical Center in Dallas.

He was born Nov. 2, 1999, in Amarillo.

Survivors include his parents; one sister, Liberty Mendoza; grandparents Rosa and Agustin Rodriguez, Sr., Angie and Joe Castillo; great-grandfather, Romulo Nava, all of Hereford; and great-grand mother Lydia Garza of Hobbs, N.M.

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WELDON WAYNE

SCARBROUGH

Nov. 17, 1999

AMARILLO — Services for Weldon Wayne Scarbrough, 77, were today at the First Baptist Church of Amarillo, with Dr. Howard Batson, pastor, officiating. Private graveside services were in Memorial park Cemetery under the direction of N.S. Griggs & Sons Funeral Directors.

Mr. Scarbrough died Wednesday.

He was born in Navarro County near Corsicana. He later served in the Merchant Marines and the Navy.

He married Lyla Craig in 1946 in Oklahoma City.

He was a longtime Amarillo civic leader. He was actively involved in the High Plains Kiwanis Club, where he was a charter member. He served as president and numerous other offices in the club.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Lary Scarbrough of Denver, Colo.; a daughter, Lori Scarbrough of Amarillo; one sister, Pat Holaday of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the First Baptist Church Family Life Center Ministry or the Texas-Oklahoma Kiwanis Foundation.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Nov. 18, 1999, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests

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

-- A 35-year-old man was arrested in the 300 block of Brevard and charged with public intoxication.

-- A 22-year-old woman was arrested in the 600 block of Irving and charged with a number of warrants.

Incidents

-- Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of North Miles.

-- An assault was reported in the 700 block of Irving.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests

-- 46-year-old woman was brought in on a bench warrant.

-- A 35-year-old man was arrested and charged with theft over \$1,500, under \$20,000.

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Texas lottery

Cash Five
The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery: 5-8-9-14-23

Pick 3
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-4-0

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LIFESTYLES

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School Menus

HEREFORD I.S.D.

Breakfast

MONDAY-Pancakes with syrup; or cereal, buttered toast, rosemary applesauce, milk choice.

TUESDAY-Breakfast pizza; or cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk choice.

WEDNESDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

THURSDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

FRIDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

Lunch

MONDAY-Pepperoni pizza, cabbage apple salad, french fries with catsup, apple crisp, milk choice.

TUESDAY-Popcorn chicken with barbecue sauce or catsup, quick baked potato, black-eyed peas, whole wheat roll, strawberry apple dessert, milk choice.

WEDNESDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

THURSDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

FRIDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

MONDAY-Macaroni and cheese, sweet peas, corn, hot rolls, applesauce, milk.

TUESDAY-Ham and cheese melt, french fries, cole slaw, peach cobbler, milk.

WEDNESDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

THURSDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

FRIDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

'30s are topic for study club

La Plata Study Club met recently at the Deaf Smith County Museum with Dorothy Mercer and Mary Beth Powell serving as hostesses.

In keeping with the theme for the Year, "20th Century Highlights," club member Betty Mercer presented a program on highlights of the 1930s. Paula Edwards and Leslie Diaz, of the museum staff, showed several items of clothing, hats, shoes, handbags and gloves belonging to former and current Hereford residents. Some interesting stories from the '30s were shared by club members.

Finger sandwiches, pecan pie and hot apple cider were served by the hostesses to those present including Audine Dettmann, Nelda Fortenberry, Peggie Fox, Ludie Greeson, Annell Holland, Lois Matchett, Betty Mercer, Dorothy Mercer, Mary Helen Miller, Mary Beth Powell, Yvonne Simpson, Clara Smith, Betty Taylor and Avis White.

Council meets

Cultural Family and Community Education Club had opening exercises at the Monday meeting of the Deaf Smith County FCE Council in the Heritage Room of the county library.

Perry Keyes led the pledges to the United States and Texas flags and the FCE prayer and gave a reading titled "Heaven's Grocery Store."

Council chairman Mariellen Homfeld conducted the business meeting.

Visitors were Nell Pope, Marilyn Smith and Sue Thweatt.

Six clubs were represented with three having 100 percent attendance.

Upcoming events were discussed during the session. The Christmas party will be Dec. 6 with a luncheon. All members are urged to bring gifts for the community service project which is filling baskets for the Deaf Smith County Social Services aged and disabled program.

Celebrity waiters garner tips for Relay for Life



"Egg-onized"—Diners at Sirloln Stockade agonize (or is that Egg-onize?) over the live entertainment provided by Jennifer Eggen during the Celebrity Waiter Night Thursday and ultimately paid her NOT to entertain at their table. The annual event is held in conjunction with the Great American SmokeOut and as a kick-off fund-raiser for the Relay for Life.

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Ann Landers



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: Now that almost every office in the world has personal computers, I have an etiquette question that I hope you can answer. How do you get people to stop looking over your shoulder and reading your e-mail? I am driven to distraction by this blatant disregard for privacy.

My co-workers are constantly asking me what I am doing. The other day, my boss asked me to find a certain location for him. While I was checking out a map on the Internet, one of my co-workers walked over and asked if I was taking a trip. Sometimes, the boss sends me an e-mail memo that no one else should be reading, yet people feel free to come by and look. Yesterday, I had a stack of papers turned upside-down on my desk, and a female co-worker turned them over and started to read them. I was speechless. I would very much appreciate some suggestions. — Too Nosy in Montana

Dear Montana: Clods, slob and boors do not understand subtlety. For example, when Nosy Nellie flipped over the papers on your desk and proceeded to read them, you should have said, "The papers on my desk are my personal business — if you don't mind." If you have a steely tone of voice, use it for emphasis. That should convey your message nicely.

As for the e-mail messages, turn to the clod who is reading over your shoulder, and ask in a voice loud enough to be heard by everyone in the room, "Why would you be interested in my personal messages?"

Dear Ann Landers: I read the letter from "Split Opinion in the Midwest," who wanted to keep her maiden name after marriage, but whose fiancé, "Desmond," strongly objected. I hope my letter will help.

I took my husband's last name, but our wonderful new daughter-in-law chose to keep her family name. We are all happy with these choices. My son had enough intelligence and understanding to realize that his wife's decision would make no difference in how good a wife she was, or how loving a member of the family she would become.

Please tell Desmond that a wife is not a possession to be named by the owner. He needs to develop more confidence in his masculinity, and place his pride in the woman, not the name he chooses for her. — Proud Mother-in-Law in Pa.

Dear Proud in Pa.: What a gem of a mother-in-law YOU are. I hope your son and his wife realize how lucky they are to have you. (If they didn't before, they will now.)

Dear Ann Landers: I heard on the national news this week that due to the inability of pharmacists to read prescriptions, some people have died as a result of errors, and many others have become seriously ill. When one sees the handwriting of some of our doctors, one can understand how this could happen. They may have learned how to be doctors in medical school, but unfortunately, they did not learn how to write legibly before they got there.

I am launching a one-man campaign to have all prescriptions typewritten, in English. I know the pharmacists would appreciate that. If you agree that there is a need for this, please help me out, and print my letter. — Norman Clarke

in Millen, Ga.

Dear Norman: I do agree. Your suggestion is an excellent one. Prescriptions should be in English, and typewritten or block-printed. The pharmacists all around the country will bless you for writing, and I send heartfelt thanks.

Planning a wedding? What's right? What's wrong? "The Ann Landers Guide for Brides" will relieve your anxiety. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Brides, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.)

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Special to The Brand

Thanks in part to some innovative "celebrity waiters," the local chapter of the American Cancer Society raised more than \$600 in donations for its upcoming Relay for Life during the second annual "Celebrity Waiter Night" Thursday at Sirloln Stockade.

The annual event is held in conjunction with the Great American SmokeOut and as a kick-off activity for the Relay for Life.

In addition to service from the celebrity waiters, diners also heard "live entertainment." Jennifer Eggen, from the county probation office, "serenaded" customers while Grace Gamez, of Colortyme, sold individual roses to her customers.

Gamez collected the most tips for the evening with a total of

\$167. Eggen, who collected the most tips last year, followed with \$119.50.

Other celebrity waiters and tip totals were: Don Cumpton-\$27.45; Carey Black-\$30.85; Joe Brown-\$53.80; and Mark Collier-\$82.08.

The Key Club provided "valet parking" and raised an additional \$70.41 toward the total.

Employees of Farr Better Feeds in Hereford also made a donation of \$100 to the American Cancer Society during the event bringing the evening's total to \$651.09.

"The annual Celebrity Waiter Night was a big success," Adam Treff, unit president, said. "Customers were treated to good food, great service and even some live entertainment."

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Becky Thorn, Lifestyles editor for the Hereford Brand, gave the program at the recent meeting of La Aflatus Estudio Club in the home of Roxie Phipps.

Thorn discussed how computers have taken the leading role in the newspaper industry, affecting all aspects of the publication.

Club members in attendance voted to hold a Christmas luncheon on Dec. 7 in the dining

room of Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Refreshments of finger sandwiches, stuffed celery, nuts, German chocolate cake, spiced cider and coffee were served to the guest and to members Margaret Baxter, Leola Cook, Virginia Curtsinger, Alberta Higgins, Aileen Montgomery, Della Stagner, Louise Streun, Emily Suggs, Mary Williamson, and Phipps.

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CHURCH NEWS

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IMMANUEL

LUTHERAN CHURCH
Immanuel and Pastor Erik Stadler invite you to come worship with us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. We are located at the corner of Avenue B and Park. This Sunday's sermon theme is "If you didn't recognize Him the first time, you won't recognize Him the second." Pastor Stadler will preach on 1 Peter 3:3-10 and speak on how to truly understand Christ's second coming, you must understand what He did when He came the first time.

Sunday School for the children is from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Immanuel also offers two Bible studies with one on Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. and the other on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The Sunday morning class is a Bible study on the Book of John. The Wednesday evening Bible Study is a study on the Book of Acts.

Immanuel Lutheran Church will have its Thanksgiving Service at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Come join us in giving thanks for all the many blessings God has showered upon us. If you have questions, contact Immanuel Lutheran Church at 364-1668.

HEREFORD CHURCH

OF THE NAZARENE
Pastor Ted Taylor and the Nazarene congregation invites you to join us at 10:30 a.m. Sunday for our morning worship service. Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m.

There will be NO evening services here because of the Community Thanksgiving Service at Avenue Baptist at 6 p.m.

There will be NO Wednesday evening Bible studies. Happy Thanksgiving. Pastor Carol invites all the children to join her for Children's Church at 10:30 Sunday where there will be cyber puppets, great praise and worship, Mr. Jake and Mr. Mike and the Magnetic Attraction. Her Power Point this week is "Don't Give Up on Yourself." There will be no Word Rangers or SonShine Choir on Wednesday.

Teens, there will be no Sunday night "Eat More Beef," but "Sunday Night Live" will be held at 7:15. Bring money for McDonald's. There will be no youth service on Wednesday night. Remember "Monday Night Football" at Tim and Kelly's beginning 30 minutes before kickoff until the end of the game.

Nazarene Kid's Korner will be open the Friday after Thanksgiving from 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. We have lots of fun activities planned for the kids. Take advantage of this opportunity and go Christmas shopping without the children. For more information, call NKK at 364-8161 and talk to Monica Holcombe.

ST. ANTHONY'S

CATHOLIC CHURCH
This weekend is the 34th and last Sunday in Ordinary Time on the Catholic liturgical calendar. It is called the Solemnity of Christ the King. Readings are Ezekiel 34:11-17, 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 and Matthew 25:31-46. Pope Pius XI established the feast of Christ the King because of what he considered the increasing secularization of Western society. We welcome any and all to join us in worship of God at 6 p.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Sunday.

High school youth will NOT have pizza and a "road rally" after this weekend's 11 a.m. liturgy due to the scheduling of athletic games. But, St. Anthony's junior high youth will gather from 2-5 p.m. this Sunday for a Scavenger Hunt (to benefit the needy) and a meal in the cafeteria.

So Notice to Parishioners: Scavenger Hunters (junior high youth) will be paying visits to your homes between 2:30-4 p.m. Sunday for food and personal items to go into holiday baskets and other needs of the less fortunate during this season.

If you are or have a family member in the hospital and are in need of or desire a pastoral visit, you must contact the parish office with information. Call 364-6150.

The following is a REVISED Holiday Liturgy schedule: Nov. 24-Thanksgiving Eve Service 7 p.m.; Dec. 5-Parish Holiday Dinner; Dec. 8-Immaculate Conception 7:15 a.m., 8:15 a.m., 7 p.m.; Dec. 15-Children's Reconciliation 2:45 p.m., Parish Advent Reconciliation 7 p.m.; Dec. 24-Christmas Eve 6 and 8 p.m.; Dec. 25-Christmas Day 10 a.m.; Dec. 26-Liturgies 9 and 11; Dec. 31-New Years Eve 11 p.m., Jan. 1-New Years Day 10 a.m.; Jan. 2-Liturgies 9 and 11.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The friendly folks of First Presbyterian Church welcome you to our fellowship and service of worship at 10:30 a.m. this Sunday. Our guest speaker will be David Wetz. His message is "How Big is God?" The Bible lesson is Psalms 8:3-5.

This Sunday after worship service, the Youth Group is sponsoring a "Stew Luncheon" in the Fellowship Hall as a fund-raiser for their activities. The youth will bring desserts to be entered in a "bake-off" contest.

Our Sunday school classes meet at 9:15 a.m. There are classes for each age group. We also offer The Joy Class for adults with mental challenges.

Enjoy a cup of coffee and conversation with friends during our fellowship time at 10:10 each Sunday morning.

Junior and Senior High youth groups will meet at 5 p.m. Sunday. Prayer Group gathers in praise and intercession at 6 p.m. Monday. Junior and senior high girls will have their Bible study with Suzanne Gibbs at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

All men are welcome to join Mike Schueler for a light breakfast and book study on Friday at 6:45 a.m. They are studying "The Man In The Mirror."

Contact us at 364-2471 or 364-2471. We're located at 610 N. Lee St.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday will be an exciting day for Temple Baptist Church. During our morning worship at 11 we will have

Mike and Sharon Shults, missionaries to Lesotho, Africa, as our special speakers. Then at 6 p.m. we will have a church-wide Thanksgiving banquet. The meal will be prepared by the Baptist Men and church members are asked to bring the desserts. The banquet will be a special time of fellowship and will help us to reflect on what the Lord has done for us.

Due to the banquet, Adult Discipleship and TeamKIDS will not meet again until Nov. 28.

Nov. 28 will be the beginning of our Season of Prayer for International Missions and taking of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Throughout December we will emphasize International Missions and this special time will be highlighted by our Ingathering for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering on Dec. 5.

Coming in December there will be a Christmas musical presented by the combined choirs from Temple and Avenue Baptist churches. The musical, "Season's Greetings," will be performed at 6 p.m. at Temple Baptist on Dec. 12 and again at Avenue Baptist on Dec. 19 at 6 p.m. Each church will host a fellowship following the performance at their respective churches. The public is invited to attend these special musical presentations. This combined choir will also be at King's Manor at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 15 to sing this special Christmas music for the residents there.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

All are invited to come and worship and pray with us as we celebrate the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Our Liturgies are Saturday at 6 p.m. (Spanish) and Sunday 9 a.m. (Spanish) and 11:30 a.m. (English).

TYM (Total Youth Ministry) will gather Wednesday at 7 p.m. Curialists will have their weekly Ultreya immediately after the 7 p.m. Mass on Wednesday. Curialists and non-Curialists are invited.

The San Jose Prayer Group will hold its meeting after the 7 p.m. Mass on Thursday. All are invited.

FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

So hard to believe. This is the Last Sunday after Pentecost. What began as a post-Easter event - the birthday of the church in the spring - now comes to an end.

After Thanksgiving Sunday, Nov. 21, the church begins the four beautiful Sundays of Advent. The long summer-season of Pentecost now gives way to the splendor of Advent. FOB will join churches everywhere as they dress up for the arrival of Baby Love. Watch for candles, banners, wreaths, Christmas trees, lights, poinsettias, nativity scenes and those wonderful carols.

On this Last Sunday after Pentecost, the Revised Common Lectionary gives the gospel text of Matthew 25:31-46. There is a sermon there. Pastor Nathan L. Stone, Ph.D., is calling it, "Caution: Children at Play...and the Animals...and the Poor...and..."

FOB's Sunday school children are already getting into the holiday spirit. They have baked a bunch of goodies. A bake sale will be held at FOB this Sunday beginning at 9:30. All proceeds will be used by the children to buy toys for Hereford's Christmas Stocking Fund. Please swing by on your way to the grocery store or the farm or church or to visit grandma and help the children help other children for Christmas.

FOB's theology allows her to be hopeful and excited about the Millennium. No gloom and doom here. No camping on Revelation and the wringing of hands. FOB is so certain that 2000 will arrive with such promise and pizzazz that she is already planning the celebration of her 10th anniversary: Feb. 5-6, 2000. Stay tuned for details.

FOB is located at 245 N. Kingwood (at Moreman).

A supervised nursery is available at all services.

And, by the way, here's to safe travel and a big win for our Whitefaces and all who will attend that game this weekend. Fearless prediction: 24-6, Hereford.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

First Church extends a warm welcome and invitation to attend worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday morning in the church sanctuary. Dr. Tom Fuller will bring the sermon titled "It's All About Me," from Luke 17:12-19. The Sanctuary Choir will sing "Give Thanks to the Lord."

Church members are reminded to be in their classrooms at 9:30 a.m. Sunday for the third annual Sunday School Scramble. Collection of food for the needy continues in the Welcome Center. The Children's Council will deliver the food baskets on Sunday.

At 2 p.m. Sunday, the Texas Plains Chorus will perform at the Festival of Trees. The Community Thanksgiving Service will be Sunday at 6 p.m. at Avenue Baptist Church.

In the music ministry, the Festival of Carols will be celebrated Dec. 5 during morning worship, followed that evening by church-wide caroling. FUMC's choir and soloists will present "Christmas as a Child" on Dec. 12. The Jubilate Ringers Holiday Concert has been set for Dec. 19.

Church youth are reminded that ski trip deposits are due Nov. 21. Junior and Senior High Retreat is planned Dec. 5-7 at Cota Canyon.

Singles Mingles group plans to attend the Living Christmas Tree Cantata Dec. 5 in Friona. Persons wanting tickets are asked to contact Ronnie Phipps.

SUMMERFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

Brother Ellis Parson and the congregation of Summerfield Baptist Church extend a warm welcome to come and worship with us. We are located 8 miles west of Hereford on Hwy. 60.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and Sunday worship service is at 10:45 a.m.

Sunday evening worship service is at 6. The Wednesday service begins at 7 p.m. The study is on Proverbs. Acteen, youth and R.A. will meet at 7 p.m. through Sept. 2000.

We have a nursery, and transportation is only a phone call away. For more information, call 357-2535 or 364-5657.

BARN CHURCH

Pastor Randy Bird invites everyone to attend the Barn Church services every Thursday evening at 7 p.m. We will have a Thanksgiving service and potluck dinner at 7 p.m. on Thanksgiving. Bring your friends and come for fellowship and a wonderful time of celebrating the abundant blessings God has given us.

Barn Church is located 6 miles west on Harrison Hwy. And then 2 1/4 miles north on Hwy. 1057.

Check the schedule of events in this month's newsletter to find out about November activities at Barn Church.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

First Baptist Church offers several Bible study classes that look to God's word to speak to their circumstances. This starts at 9:45 a.m. Our worship time is at 10:50 a.m. Please know that you are welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

You will find us at the heart of Hereford at 500 Main St. or you may call 364-0696 for more information or transportation. You may want to visit our web site at firstbaptisthereford.com as there is lots of good information there also.

AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Jim Bulin and the congregation of Avenue Baptist Church, 130 North 25 Mile Avenue, invite you to worship with them.

Sunday morning worship is at 11. Rev. Bulin's sermon title will be "Blinded to the Blessings" from Numbers 16:1-38.

Sunday evening at 6 p.m. the Hereford Ministerial Alliance will host a Community Thanksgiving Service at Avenue Baptist Church. The speaker will be Bishop Richard Collins of Faith Mission Church of Hereford. Those attending are asked to bring a can of food for the Good Shepherd Food Pantry. An offering will also be taken to support that work. Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

Brother Jim will continue the series on the End Times as found in Revelations on Nov. 28. The series will last several weeks and will be interrupted periodically due to the holidays and special events.

Ladies Prayer Group meets at 6 p.m. Monday. Choir practice is on Monday at 7:30 p.m. The choir has begun practice on the Christmas Cantata. Anyone who wants to be a part of this special presentation in December needs to practice with the choir now.

Avenue Baptist is bringing a Bible study to the residents of Hereford Care Center at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays. Feel free to join us as we study and sing in ministry to these good people.

Prayer Meeting has been changed to Tuesday night at 6:30. If you have a prayer request, call the church office at 364-1564.

There will not be any Women on Mission, Children on Mission or Youth ABC Time for this week only.

The installation of new central heating and air conditioning in the sanctuary has begun. The church is trying to collect as much money as possible before the installation is complete. The church has received approximately 1/2 of the total cost. You are invited to have part in this much needed improvement in the sanctuary. Those who would like to contribute, please designate your offering "heating and air conditioning."

The church office will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

On the 25th Sunday after Pentecost, our rector, The Rev. Dr. Lamuel G. Salik, will be the celebrant for Sunday services at St. Thomas.

Children's Sunday school and adult Bible study are at 9:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist service is at 11 a.m.

We extend a cordial welcome to our visitors and newcomers. All baptized persons are invited to receive communion at the Lord's Table. Please stay for coffee and refreshments after the service.

On Wednesday at 7 p.m. there will be the celebration of Holy Communion along with a Healing Service including the Laying on of Hands. At 7:45 p.m. there will be a short Bible study. Please come join us.

Heavenly Treasures Day Care meets at St. Thomas on Monday through Friday. For information on enrollment, please call Sylvia Martinez at 363-6468.

In case of emergency call Jerro Clark at 364-0943.

Anyone in need of pastoral service including counseling or visiting or any questions, please call Father Salik at St. Thomas 364-0146, home 364-67008 or cellular 346-3485.

If you need a ride to church, call 364-0146 and leave a message.

GENESIS CHURCH

Pastor Jesse Rincones and the congregation of Genesis Church invite you and your family to join in worship and praise this Sunday. Our Spanish speaking service begins at 9 a.m. followed by Bible study classes for all ages at 10 a.m. Our English speaking service begins at 11 a.m. You are invited to make plans and bring the entire family to worship together with us.

Membership class, Genesis 101, is at 6 p.m. Sunday for all who would like to be part of this church family, current and new members. Come and discover God's love and purpose for you. You will be comforted and challenged by the word of God, spoken through Pastor Jesse. God has something special prepared for you.

The church is located just outside the city limits on N. Hwy. 386. Please

accept this as a personal invitation for you and your family from Pastor Rincones. For more information call 364-2034 or 364-5765.

GOOD NEWS CHURCH

Sugarland Mall
Pastor David Alvarado and the Good News congregation invite you to come and worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us in the spirit of love.

Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Weeknight services are at 7 p.m.

If you have any questions or you need prayer, please call Pastor David Alvarado at 364-5239. God bless you.

NEW HOPE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

13th and Avenue H
The members of New Hope Church of the Nazarene and their pastor Tony de Aquino invite you to worship with them.

Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship is at 10:30. Evening worship is at 6 on Sunday and 7 on Wednesday.

The youth meet Friday at 7 p.m. There are monthly meetings for men and women.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Travis Curry and the members of Bible Baptist Church would like to invite you to be our special guest.

Come and join us for some good old-fashioned Christian fellowship and for a time of worshipping the Lord and giving praise and honor to his name.

We are located at 1204 Moreman, on the corner of Greenwood and Moreman. If you need more information or transportation, please call 364-3102 or 364-5157. A nursery will be provided.

WESTWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

November is the month to pause and recall all the many things in our daily lives for which we are thankful.

As we observe Thanksgiving this coming week, we urge you to count your blessings, count your gain and not your losses, count your joys and not your woes, count your friends and not your foes.

This Sunday we will have a Thanksgiving dinner following worship services. All are invited to bring a covered dish and join with us as we celebrate the great things of 1999. Following lunch we will have a time of singing and sharing. Please come for this special time.

Sunday school is at 10 a.m., morning worship is at 11 and Bible study is at 6 p.m.

Let us begin today to give thanks for all the blessings and love we have and can share with one another.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Pastor Mike Sullivan and the church family of Hereford First Assembly of God would like to invite you to worship with us this Sunday for the conclusion of our Fall Revival with evangelists Ron and Mary Marr of Winter Garden, Fla. Services will be at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Rev. Marr is the author of "To Hell and Back" The Marrs have traveled throughout the United States, Canada and Europe ministering the Word of God in power with miracles and gifts of healing.

Sunday School starts at 9:45 a.m., with coffee and doughnuts served prior for all those that come early to solve the world's problems. Preparational prayer begins 30 minutes before the services.

During the week, our Ladies Burning Bush group meets for prayer and study on Tuesdays at 10 a.m., and our Royal Rangers and Missionettes programs meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday is Family Night, with Team Trinity Youth, our Children's Service, and our mid-week prayer and Bible study for adults in the sanctuary. All that starts at 7 p.m. A nursery is provided for all services.

If you need a ride, prayer, or general information, please call 364-0305. At First Assembly, you come in to worship, but go out to serve.

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Before the Holy Spirit can empower us, there must be foundational principles established in our lives. What are these foundational principles? Join Pastor Brady Boyd this Sunday as he begins a series entitled "Building Blocks of Spiritual Empowerment." Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. at 402 W. Park Ave. and professional childcare is available.

Trinity Fellowship believes in a passionate expression of worship that glorifies God, a commitment to prayer and service and a devotion to developing a lifelong intimacy with Christ.

Sunday school starts at 9:30 a.m. and is designed for children and adults of all ages. We have one adult class that focuses on the Holy Spirit and another that focuses on the marriage relationship.

Son Seekers children's church and Sunday school is a true worship experience designed just for children.

A men are invited to bring a sack lunch and take part in a men's Bible study from 12:15 to 12:45 each Wednesday. These "power lunches" are designed for men seeking a deeper personal relationship with Christ and will feature topics that are relevant to today's man.

Key Arthur's book entitled "As Silver Refined" will be the focus of a weekly Bible study for women, each Wednesday at 7 p.m. Childcare will be available for each of the weekly meetings.

Each Sunday night, our youth meet weekly for ministry and worship at 6 p.m. This is a special time of praise and worship, teaching and fellowship that will encourage your teens to radically serve Jesus.

Please join us on Nov. 21 for a Thanksgiving lunch in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning services.

Make plans to be at the citywide worship service Sunday at St. Anthony's Catholic Church at 6 p.m. Tom Norman and a worship band from

Amarillo will lead congregations in a time of worship and prayer.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Dorman Duggan and the congregation of Community Church invite you to come and worship and praise with them Sunday morning.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. and the morning worship service starts at 10:30. A nursery is provided.

The Intercessory Prayer Group meets Monday night at 6 p.m.

Tuesday morning at 9:30 the Ladies Prayer Group meets.

On Wednesday we have our Children's Church and Youth Group meet at 7 p.m. Also, we have our Home Groups for anyone over 18-years-of-age. Call 364-8866 for information on places and times for Home Groups.

For more information or if you need prayer, call 364-8866 or 364-2423.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pastor Ed Warren and the church congregation invite the public to all services at the church located on S. Hwy. 385 and Columbia St.

For additional information, call 364-3487.

COUNTRY ROAD CHURCH OF GOD

401 Country Club Drive
Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

The following is the regular schedule of services.

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services are conducted at 6 p.m. each Wednesday.

Thursday evening prayer service is at 6 p.m.

Gospel singing will be held the last Sunday of each month starting at 5 p.m.

A nursery is provided during all services.

Pastor Wiggins says, "Come and experience what God is doing here - a church where the Spirit is alive and God is moving by His power, a church full of love where you are somebody and Jesus is Lord."

Our 24 hour prayer line is 364-5390.

FRIO BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Larry Perkins and the congregation of Frio Baptist Church welcome all to worship with them. The church is located 5 miles south of Hereford on Hwy. 1055.

For more information call 276-5380 or 276-5616.

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

Christian Assembly is a non-denominational church. We have Sunday services at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday nights at 7 there is prayer meeting at the church, and the "in home" youth group, RU4 HIM. There is also a women's prayer group that meets at 2 p.m. Thursdays.

We don't look alike. We don't act alike. We don't dress alike. We aren't all the same color. We are all alike in wanting to welcome new people and love them, so please feel free to join us in worshipping and seeking the Lord. You can also call 364-0974, 364-2284 or 364-7342 for more information.

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Come worship with us each and every Sunday at 10:25 a.m. and 6 p.m. Bible Classes are held Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for all ages.

We are located at the corner of Sunset and Plains.

We would like to invite everyone to hear "In Search of the Lord's Way," by Mack Lyon each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. on Channel 4, Amarillo.

We would love to have you come and study God's word with us.

Our minister is Tom Bailey.

NEW BEGINNINGS ASSEMBLY OF GOD BILINGUAL CHURCH

The congregation of New Beginnings along with Pastor Armando Pinales and his wife, Nilda, would cordially like to invite you to join us this Sunday morning at 9:45 for an incredible study. There are classes for all ages, so bring your kids.

Sunday evening praise and worship is at 6.

Wednesday night Bible study is at 7. Youth night service is at 7 p.m.

Friday. The ladies meet for prayer and Bible study on Thursdays at 7 p.m. If you need prayer, call 363-0104. God bless you. See you in church. We are located at 503 E. 13th St.

FIRST UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Pastor Warren McKibben is pleased to announce the opening of an Acts 2:38 Bible believing church. We welcome all for a truly down to earth praise and worship experience with our Lord.

If you are seeking answers, come and let's worship together in the name of Jesus. If you are looking for a blessing and still believe in miracles, then this is the place to come. We are one big happy family of God.

We invite all to attend our services at 2 p.m. Sunday. For further information, call 1-800-454-6051.

DAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Charles Ellingburg invites you to come and worship with the Dawn Baptist Church.

Sunday School classes for anyone from Nursery through Adult III begin at 10 a.m. Adult III will still be studying Jonah. Everyone is welcome for Sunday school.

Ronnie Rogers, youth minister from Amarillo, will be speaking at our Sunday morning service at 11.

Evening service starts at 6 with singing of favorite hymns followed by Chapter 16 of Revelations.

Bible study usually held on Wednesday night, will not be held due to Thanksgiving weekend. Wednesday night service will be held once again on Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

We are still praying for the growth of our church and 10 new members.

Dawn Community Association will hold its annual Thanksgiving Dinner at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Dawn Community Center. Everyone is invited to attend.

If you need a church to worship and hear the Word, then Dawn Baptist Church is the place for you, as studying Revelations will be a blessing for you. If you have further questions, you may call Pastor Ellingburg at 258-7330.

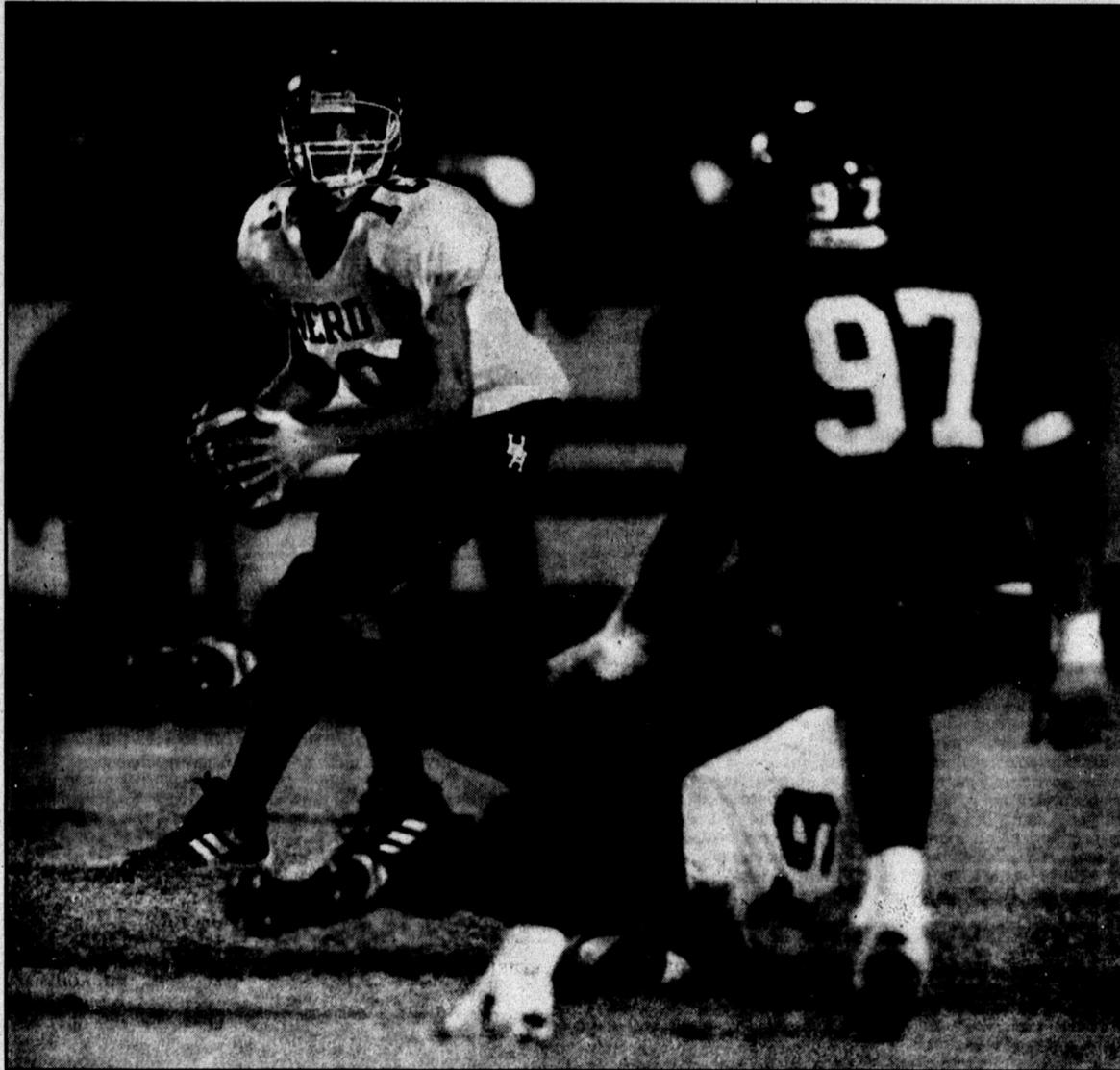
FAITH MISSION CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Come and worship with us at Faith Mission Church of God in Christ, 307-309 Brevard.

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Tribal Quest



Brand/Mauri Montgomery

Cody Hodges looks out to the field and tries to find a receiver during Friday night's Bidistrict game against Plainview. Hodges will look to pass against the dangerous defensive backfield of the El Paso Ysleta Indians, who held Pecos last week to 46 yards on the air.

Hereford looks to continue Cinderella season with victory against Indians of El Paso Ysleta

By Yuri Soto
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

It's been nine years since Hereford defeated Lubbock Estacado and Zebbie Lethridge to get past the first round of the playoffs.

The last time any El Paso team got past the teams from the Permian Basin and the Texas Plains in the playoffs was also in 1990, when El Paso Andress, led by current New York Jet and former Texas A&M star Ray Mickens, tied Midland Lee 21-21, but won on penetrations.

Both cities have broken that decade of drought. Hereford did last Friday by defeating Plainview. El Paso Ysleta broke the long Permian Basin losing streak with an 18-0 win against Pecos.

But that is as far as El Paso teams come in the playoffs, the second round. But, even if the Whitefaces play an El Paso team, Craig Yenser and his crew do not think the game will be a cakewalk.

"We can't start looking ahead at the next three games," Yenser said. "Our team has done a good job respecting opponents, making sure they prepare for them."

Preparation for the next opponent is always the main focus for a playoff team. Careful preparation made it possible for Hereford to win its first playoff game since 1990 against a very powerful Plainview team.

But things are kept simple with the Hereford Whitefaces.

"We are going to stay on our schedule, not do anything different," Yenser said on his preparation plans for El Paso Ysleta. "I used some things this week like Amarillo High's close victory last week. I think our kids understand it's

sudden death and that they are looking at each game as their last one if they don't perform."

That is good enough motivation for a team with a 10-1 record to respect a team with a 5-6 record.

Last week, Amarillo High, who went in at 10-0 into the playoffs, had to comeback and win 33-30 against Abilene Cooper, whose record was 4-5.

El Paso Ysleta is the same way. A losing record going into the playoffs, winners of their first playoff game. Now they have to overcome those Sun City Demons of being known as second-round losers. But Ysleta coach Steve Carre said his team has nothing to lose when they play.

"We just got to go out there and play hard, what we can and do our best," Carre said. "Our team is very excited and looks forward to playing Hereford."

Ysleta's excitement for the playoff victory is because of their first playoff experience last year as a 4A school. Ysleta defeated Canutillo in the area round before falling to Plainview, 35-23 in the regional semifinals.

Ysleta's game against Plainview was close in 1998 before Plainview ran away with the win.

As impressive as Hereford is with Ysleta, the Indians are pretty impressed with the Whitefaces.

"We are extremely impressed, specially with their defensive play, their consistency and their execution on offense," Carre said, who is in his first year as head coach at Ysleta, replacing current El Paso Socorro head coach Craig Ritchey.

Some of their kids that will pose a threat for the Whitefaces will be running

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'Pudge' Rodriguez wins AL MVP

ARLINGTON (AP) — Already considered the best catcher of his generation, Texas' Ivan Rodriguez solidified a spot among the greats Thursday by being winning the American League's Most Valuable Player award.

Rodriguez edged Boston pitcher Pedro Martinez to become just the ninth catcher in either league to win baseball's top individual honor, joining the likes of Johnny Bench and Yogi Berra.

"That means a lot," said Rodriguez, the first MVP catcher since Thurman Munson of the Yankees in 1976. "I respect those guys a lot. To be compared to them is something special."

Rodriguez earned the comparisons by hitting .332 with 35 homers, 113 RBIs, 116 runs and 25 stolen bases. He became the first catcher with 20 homers and 20 steals in the same year and he's the first AL backstop to have 30 homers, 100 RBIs and 100 runs in the same season.

This was the third straight year he's set a personal best in average and homers, and it's the second straight year he's had bests in RBIs and steals.

"I prepared myself in the offseason with weights and running to make myself stronger physically and mentally," Rodriguez said. "I told my trainer I was going to hit 30 home runs this year and I hit five more."

Rodriguez was able to dedi-

cate his offseason to a fitness routine because it was the first time he didn't play winter ball in his native Puerto Rico. The Rangers got him to agree to that while negotiating his contract.

"It helped keep me in shape and more fresh for the season," said Rodriguez, who earned a \$250,000 bonus for winning the MVP. "But I just love to play baseball."

Rodriguez broke into the majors at age 19, mostly because of a powerful arm. The extra baby fat he carried earned him the nickname Pudge, which stuck.

Now sporting a rock-solid physique and a few days shy of turning 28, Rodriguez has become a complete player.

He just won his eighth Gold Glove and his sixth straight AL Silver Slugger award for being the best hitter in the league at his position.

He's popular, too — fans have voted him to start the last seven All-Star games.

"Talking about all phases of the game, along with being durable, what he's done at his age, I would argue, that he's the best," said Texas manager Johnny Oates, himself a former catcher. "Since I was old enough to know major league baseball, there's never been any catcher who can do more as well as he does."

The list of MVP catchers is a roll call of some of the best who've played the position:

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Cats — Members of the Hereford 5th and 6th Grade YMCA Flag Football Champions include (Top row, from left) Coach Don Bell, Jared Bell, Casey Maurer, J.R. Limas, Aaron Herrera, Jeffrey Williams, Tucker Self, Isaac Aguilar. (Front row, from left) Caleb Snitker, Marcus Herrera, Chris Gilliam, Jordan bell and Diego Salinas. Not pictured are Zack Starling and Juan Medrano.

Norman Bros. to reunite Saturday

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma running back Josh Norman says he has spent a good bit of time on the phone this week with his older brother, John, who plays for Texas Tech.

There hasn't been much trash-talking going on. There are more pressing matters at hand.

"We're basically trying to figure out how we're going to spread our tickets around and who we're going to put on who's list," Josh said.

He said he has about 20 people he would like to accommodate Saturday when the Sooners visit Tech. His brother has perhaps 15 or 20 people on his list. They're expecting plenty of friends

and family to make the two-hour drive from Midland to watch the game.

"I'm really excited," Josh said. "Like I've told people before, last year when I played against Texas Tech it was the most exciting game I've ever played in because I know all the guys on the team."

"I go out there and talk a little smack to them and they talk a little bit of smack to me, but it's all out of fun. It's just an exciting game, to get to play against my brother and for all of my family to be there."

Josh and John got to play together for two seasons at Robert E. Lee High School in Midland, Josh as a running

back, John as a defensive back. John was a Parade magazine All-American his senior year and was a two-time all-state selection. Josh ran for more than 3,800 yards during his career.

Both were considered among the top 100 recruits in Texas after their senior seasons.

John spent his first two years at Texas Tech at free safety and on special teams. This year, he was moved to the Raider position, which is similar to strong safety. He has been in on 47 tackles, with four sacks and one interception. He also handles punt returns, and brought one back 80 yards for a touchdown against Baylor.

Josh, who at 6-foot-2 and 228 pounds is an inch taller and about 15 pounds heavier than his brother, has played in all nine games but has just two carries for 12 yards. He has caught 15 passes for 175 yards and four touchdowns.

So, who's the better athlete?

"I don't know if you can really compare us because we play two totally different positions," Josh said. "As far as him being a better athlete, he probably is a better athlete than I am. He can go on the football field and dog people and he can get on the basketball court and dog people."

Josh said he had hoped to play in college with his brother, who is one year older.

Pudge

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Bench, Berra, Munson, Elston Howard, Mickey Cochran, Roy Campanella, Ernie Lombardi and Gabby Hartnett.

Munson and Elston Howard are the only ones not in the Hall of Fame.

The only thing missing from Rodriguez's resume is a cham-

pionship. Texas won the AL West in three of the last four seasons but has yet to get out of the first round.

"They're going to put a good team together to go to the playoffs next season," Rodriguez said. "Probably next year is going to be the year."

Rodriguez is the third Ranger to win the award,

joining recently traded Juan Gonzalez (1998, '96) and Jeff Burroughs (1974).

Martinez, the unanimous AL Cy Young winner, had one more first-place vote than Rodriguez, marking only the fourth time that's happened. Rodriguez's 13-point victory was the closest since 1996, when Gonzalez beat Seattle's Alex Rodriguez by three

points.

"The guys I competed with, they all had dream seasons," Rodriguez said. "But that's baseball. I feel I had a good season and I felt confident that I had a shot to be MVP and it came true. I'm so happy for it."

Regional

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back Victor Bustillos, who ran for 175 yards against Pecos. He scored the only two touchdowns, but they were on runs of eight and 82 yards.

Other people who may challenge Hereford on both sides of the ball are quarterback Ricky Najera, who stands at 6-foot-2-inches and weighs 223 pounds, receivers and defensive backs Abe DeAnda and Raul Ortega, defensive end Jesus Murillo and line-backer Jesus Montero.

"They got some kids that

can play, so we don't need to take anything for granted," Yenser said.

Still, both teams are pretty excited about facing each other. Ysleta knows, in order to advance and burn those demons of the second-round playoffs, they must play a near-perfect game.

"We have to minimize mistakes like turnovers and pen-

alties, and play good first-down defense," Carrie said. "We just need an overall good effort out of everyone."

On the other hand, Yenser's team knows what's at stake, and a loss means there's no tomorrow.

"We got to quit celebrating Plainview and prepare for El Paso Ysleta," he said.

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Book signing — Hereford author Gerald McCathern signs a copy of "Dry Bones," his recently published novel, for Grace Covington. Amarillo artist Justin Wells (background) also signs a book. Wells did the cover for McCathern's book, which takes place in the Texas Panhandle in the late 1870s and early 1880s. "Dry Bones" is a sequel to an earlier work, "Horns."

Grammy winner Sahn dies

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Doug Sahn, 58, leader of the Sir Douglas Quintet and one of the principals of the Grammy-winning Texas Tornados, was found dead Thursday afternoon in a room at the Kachina Lodge, a Taos police spokesman said. An autopsy was ordered.

Sahn, a native of San Antonio, was discovered Thursday afternoon in a room at the Kachina Lodge, a Taos police spokesman said. An autopsy was ordered. "Musically speaking, this is the end of an era," Sahn's oldest son, Shawn, 34, told the *San Antonio Express-News*. "... He went from sitting on Hank Williams' knee to being an English rock star to doing the Texas Tornados. From T-Bone Walker to Roky Erickson, he played it all."

A regular performer on San

Antonio radio stations before he was 10-years-old, he was a steel guitar prodigy who also was proficient on fiddle, mandolin and guitar.

Sahn's exploration of various musical styles included sitting in with Hank Williams in Austin and playing with teen groups such as the Pharaohs.

"He was playing before I started to walk," said Augie Meyers, Sahn's musical partner for 35 years in various projects including the Quintet and the Tornados. "He left his mark in the world. The good Lord wanted to hear some Quintet and they weren't playing enough on the radio, I guess."

Sir Douglas Quintet started charting hits in 1965 with the song "She's About A Mover."

The Texas Tornados were formed in 1989 with Sahn, Meyers, vocalist/guitarist Freddy Fender and accordionist Flaco Jimenez.

Fender said Sahn was independent and knew how he wanted to perform his music.

"He was a talented guitarist and he had songs that only he could sing good," Fender said. "He was one of the most talented guys I have ever seen. We all pray for him."

Sahn is survived by three children, sons Shawn and Shandon and daughter Dawn, and two grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are pending.



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Mix and mingle — Hereford area business people got a chance to mix and mingle Thursday afternoon at the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce's Business Mixer. The event was sponsored by Stevens Chevrolet and Choice Directories, and gave local people a chance to exchange fellowship and share ideas. Stevens Chevrolet had some 2000 model automobiles on display; Choice Directories had some telephone books available.

Center pole to be focus of probe

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — The 100-foot center pole that served as the central support for the annual Texas A&M University bonfire will be the focus of an investigation into why the 40-foot pyramid of wired-together logs collapsed, university officials said.

Eleven present and former students were killed and 28 other injured, five critically. Three of those students are on life support, hospital officials said.

William Davis' condition worsened from serious to critical overnight, St. Joseph Regional Medical Center officials said. He and fellow students Chad Hutchinson and J.J. Washam were in critical condition and on life support, officials said.

The last two bodies bur-

ied in the rubble were recovered around 2:15 a.m. today — some 23 hours after the structure collapsed. Moments later, crews said they were finished moving logs and searching for bodies.

Witnesses and some survivors said they heard the center pole — the structure's key component — crack, perhaps under the crush of timber. But university officials cautioned that it could be weeks before a final determination is made on what caused the collapse.

Rusty Thompson, the bonfire adviser, said the center pole consisted of two poles spliced together. The investigation will focus on that splice, he said at a news conference today.

"From students I talked to, all the sounds were pretty much combined. It all hap-

pened so suddenly. They didn't hear anything well in advance," Thompson said.

The large structure is built over several weeks with multiple stacks of full-size logs put in place by cranes, tractors and students. The structure — which resembles a tiered wedding cake — is designed to twist inward and collapse on itself as it burns. The center pole consists of two long telephone poles spliced together end to end and buried 15 feet deep on one end. It's held in place by guy wires.

The pile collapsed as Caleb Hill was perched atop the pile.

"I heard a cracking sound. It was like thunder," said the sophomore, who suffered a broken nose.

Despite pedigree, Bush hits books

AUSTIN (AP) — After prepping at Andover and graduating from Harvard and Yale, there's no doubt that George W. Bush has a gold-seal academic pedigree.

Yet a question remains: Does the Texas governor and Republican presidential front-runner have the intellectual heft to be the leader of the free world?

The question is fueled by Bush's record as a school socialite and lackadaisical student, his carefree demeanor and slip-ups such as calling Greeks "Grecians" and fumbling over the names of world leaders.

It is brought into full relief when Bush is compared to the sitting president, a Rhodes scholar and policy savant.

Left unanswered, it can be politically damaging, as former Vice President Dan Quayle found.

To quiet the speculation, Bush has been attending policy school.

Kathleen Hall Jamieson, an observer on political issues and rhetoric, said that contrary to showing Bush lacks the intellect to be president, the schooling shows he's running a smart campaign.

"You'd like the campaign to help prepare people to govern, and this is a thing that helps people to govern — and it helps them survive the debates," said Jamieson, dean of the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania.

The first classes for Bush convened last spring at the governor's mansion, a white Greek Revival home with porch columns that lend a university air.

The instructors included a variety of experts in foreign affairs, economics and social and domestic issues.

At the core are fellows at Stanford's conservative Hoover Institution, notably George Shultz, who was former President Reagan's secretary of

state, and Condoleezza Rice, who worked for Bush's father, former President Bush, at the National Security Council. She is now the governor's chief foreign policy adviser.

The cram sessions continue, anchored by outsiders such as Lawrence Lindsey, a former Federal Reserve System governor who advises Bush on economic matters, and Al Hubbard, an Indianapolis businessman with a bent for domestic policy.

Bush also has built an in-house policy team, led by Josh Bolten. One way he helps Bush is by distilling material into single-volume binders, one labeled "Airplane Reading" that the governor carries while traveling.

Having taught law at Stanford, been general counsel for U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills and served as trade counsel for the Senate Finance Committee, Bolten has seen his share of deep thinkers. To his eyes, Bush measures up.

"I think he's got the heft. What he does not have is the veneer of an intellectual," said Bolten. "That's what gives people the impression he lacks the heft."

Bush's tutors have some common impressions: He asks as well as he listens, he can delve into the minutiae as well as frame the big picture, and he isn't embarrassed to admit what he doesn't know.

Bush, 53, did not want for a top education. He attended prep school at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., and graduated from Yale University in 1968. In 1975, he received a master's in business administration from Harvard University.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice to all Persons having claims against The Estate of Pedro Lafuente, Jr., Deceased

Administration of the Estate of Pedro Tijerina Lafuente, Jr., Deceased, has been commenced by the issuance of original letters of administration of Melissa Ann Long, Independent Administrator, on the 12th day of November, 1999, by the County Court of Deaf Smith County Texas, acting in Probate Case No. 4514, styled in re: The Estate of Pedro Lafuente, Jr., Deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate should present them to the undersigned at the address shown below within the time described by law.

DATE OF NOTICE: November 19, 1999

ROGERS COX SandersBaker, P.C. P.O. Box 2667 Amarillo, TX 79015-2667 (806) 372-2020; FAX (806) 372-3725

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of Hereford Regional Medical Center and Deaf Smith Care Services on December 13, 14 and 15, 1999. The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations Organization Liaison Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations One Renaissance Boulevard Oakbrook, Terrace, IL 60181

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

This notice is posted in accordance with the Joint Commission's requirements and may not be removed before the survey is completed.

Date Posted: This day of Nov. 10, 1999 at 1:43 pm.

Abuse

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any other way, they take it out on a spouse, partner, or the kids."

"Some of the abusers are looking for the good times that used to be, or maybe what they've always expected during a holiday. When they don't find it they get to drinking and wind up lashing out at the wrong person. Usually someone they love," Sullivan said.

The bottom line for ending the abuse — regardless of the reason behind it — is for the abuser has to take responsibility for his (or her) actions and be accountable.

"We hear them (women) tell us all the time 'they (men) only do this when they drink.' The men make the choices to drink. They know how they get when they drink and they make the choices to hit their wives and girlfriends," Nevins said.

Sullivan voiced similar thoughts. "The abusers are the last to recognize they are the problem. If they had to lay there bloodied and bruised and could feel the way their victims feel they might change. Until they accept that they won't change."

Abuse victims and officials have some strong new laws backing up the need to break the chain of violence often found in domestic situations.

"Victims have had the arrest issue taken

out of their hands," Nevins said. "Officers are now allowed to arrest the abuser without the victim filing charges. Officers can arrest someone just because they suspect that by leaving them there places the victim in imminent danger."

Judges and justices are now allowed to issue restraining orders and protective restrictions on the first arrest with bond being placed as high as \$500.

"The new laws give the abused a lot more power," Turrentine said. "Unfortunately, we still have a lot of women who will beg officers not to arrest the man or plead with us to drop the protective orders. On a 30-day restriction, I'm not going to reduce anything."

Everyone agrees that the best thing an abuse victim can do is to get out. Unfortunately, many victims have a dependency on their abuser and few have the confidence to get out and make it on their own.

"Maybe it's the money," Turrentine said. "Maybe it's something else. Too, often they keep going back and taking it again and again."

"All the outsider can do is to be there and pick up the pieces. Victims have to be willing to take the good advice and act on it," Sullivan said.

Bivins

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donations would prevail.

Scott McClellan, a spokesman for the Bush campaign in Austin, said the campaign will not take committee money from legislative candidates in states where such transfers are prohibited.

As for whether accepting them from Arizona candidates would be illegal, McClellan said, "from my understanding, it's a debatable issue."

He said federal election laws would permit the Bush campaign to accept the funds, especially since Texas does not bar them, "but our campaign is not accepting such contributions."

McClellan also said the solicitation was Bivins' idea but had the Texas governor's approval. He said similar letters were sent to

state lawmakers throughout the United States.

Rep. Karen Johnson, R-Mesa, a supporter of Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan, said she was offended by the letter.

"My reaction when I first got it and read it was I laughed," Johnson said. "The chutzpah of this person to send this is incredible. I think any right-thinking legislator would have known right off the bat that this would not be proper."

"You don't take your campaign money and send it to other candidates," Johnson told The Tribune. "People who donate their hard-earned money to you, they don't expect you to take that money and give it to some other candidate that they may not, in any way, shape or form, agree with."

Clinton praises Russian sign on Chechnya access

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — President Clinton joined world leaders today in signing a treaty cutting the number of tanks and non-nuclear weapons systems across Europe. Clinton also said he was encouraged by Russia's willingness to allow more outside access to war-torn Chechnya.

"This is a significant move by Russia," Clinton said. Clinton and 53 other world leaders, wrapping up a two-day summit of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, planned to declare their support for a principle Russia has long disputed: that outside intervention in a civil war can be justified if the conflict has the potential of spreading beyond its borders.

"We've got a lot of turns in

the road in Chechnya before it's resolved," Clinton said. But he said the agreement here, and Russia's willingness to allow a European official to visit Chechnya, had made him more hopeful.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright on Thursday called this "an important next step in defining international norms," although she said it may be too early to tell how it will work in the case of the Chechen conflict.

The president spoke during a photo opportunity with Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern. They celebrated a breakthrough in the stalled Northern Ireland peace process. "I'm very hopeful," Clinton said.

Summit leaders signed a revised arms control deal, the Conventional Forces in Europe

treaty of 1990. It will reduce agreed limits on tanks, artillery and other non-nuclear military forces throughout Europe, even as Russia is allowed to temporarily exceed its limits while it intensifies the war against Chechen rebels.

While signing the agreement, Clinton said he would not send it to the Senate for ratification until Russian forces have been reduced to the levels specified in the treaty. "We must have confidence that there will be real compliance," Clinton said in a written statement.

Later today, Clinton was flying to Athens for a state visit originally scheduled for last weekend but delayed out of concern that anti-American demonstrations in Greece.

Twain

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show, so we won't get it all in," she said.

1. You have five horses. Are you a real cowgirl?

Twain: No! I'm from Canada. We don't know how to rope. Just because you're a horse person doesn't mean you know anything about cows. I'm into pleasure riding.

2. How do you react to reports that your marriage is in trouble because your husband is rarely seen?

Twain: It just happens that now he's married to someone famous and he values his privacy. We live in Florida and Switzerland and are really very ordinary people. Nobody's very interested in anybody's spouse anyway.

3. What do you think of your popularity in the tabloids? Is the media out to knock you down now that you have reached the top?

Twain: It is hard. Sometimes the facts don't get straight and you are misquoted. But I think it happens to everyone and you don't single yourself out in any way. No, I wouldn't say they are out to get me. There's a point somewhere where your life becomes everyone's business. It's a pain in the butt. But it doesn't matter. My focus is the music. I'm very content with what I've achieved. I'm not so ambitious that I'm worried about who's going to try to knock me down.

4. Is acting next on your professional agenda?

Twain: If the opportunity came up, I might try. I can't say to you though, 'Yeah, I'm going to try it.' I've heard it's a very tedious thing. Some of the stories they tell me — how boring it is waiting around — I don't know if I can deal with that. I can't stand modeling. You have to stand in uncomfortable shoes for a long time and stand still for 15 minutes. I like something brief and quick. It's my thing.

5. "Come on Over" was your first big pop-country crossover hit. Do you believe that you have been a major force in opening doors for other country music artists?

Twain: Well, it's a nice compliment that I somehow did bring more people to country music. The more fans who listen to country music, the better. It's good. It shows hard work pays.

Budget

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Other GOP achievements in the legislation were greater choice in use of educational money and some abortion restrictions on international family planning groups.

Democrats won more money for teachers, new police, the Middle East peace process and U.N. dues and stopped provisions for mining and other industries that the Clinton administration said would harm the environment.

Clinton praised the package as a "hard-won victory" for the American people, but some lawmakers from both parties questioned the use of budgetary gimmicks to keep the budget in balance and the last-minute inclusion of special interest provisions.

"We are going to be haunted by some of the things in this bill," said Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin, the ranking Democrat on the House Appropriations Committee. "What we are witnessing here is something that is intensely corrosive of democracy and this institution's role in democracy."

Clinton already has signed into law eight of the 13 spending bills for the fiscal year starting last Oct. 1. Congress has had to pass a series of stopgap bills to keep the government running while it has negotiated the other five, which include programs in the departments of Education, Labor, Health and Human Services, State, Interior and Justice.

Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., momentarily stood in the way of another stopgap spending measure to demand that rural loan guarantees be a part of a satellite TV measure that was attached to the bill.

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Table with multiple sections: CATTLE FUTURES, GRAIN FUTURES, METAL FUTURES, and FUTURES OPTIONS. Each section contains columns for contract types, prices, and changes.



Center honored — Members of the Hereford Senior Citizens Association were recognized this week by the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce's Business Retention Committee. Margie Daniels, director of the center, received a plaque from the committee. The center is considered by many to be one of the finest operations in the Panhandle.



Wildlife information — Students at West Central Intermediate School received a lesson in wildlife preservation from an expert in the field, Mike Lloyd, who spoke during a special gathering of students during the school's "Awesome Afternoon." Lloyd works in the Deaf Smith County Extension Office.

Gun-related deaths drop in U.S.

ATLANTA (AP) — Thanks to a booming economy, falling crime rates and tougher gun control laws, Americans were much less likely to die from gun-related incidents in 1997 than in 1993, according to a new report.

The Atlanta-based U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday that gun deaths in the United States dropped 21 percent over the five-year period, and non-

fatal firearm-related injuries fell 41 percent.

The study looked at all gunshot wounds — whether intentional, accidental or self-inflicted — reported at emergency rooms.

The report said there were 39,595 gun-related deaths in 1993, about 15.4 per 100,000 people. That number fell to 32,436 in 1997, about 12.1 per 100,000.

The death rate "is the low-

est it's been since the mid-'60s," said J. Lee Annett, a CDC statistician. "This progress is really encouraging and really says that joint prevention efforts of public health officials, legislators and law enforcement should continue."

The drop was not unexpected: Homicide rates in the 1990s have fallen to levels not seen since the 1960s; about two-thirds of all homi-

cides are committed with guns.

The latest figures also include suicides and accidental deaths dropped by 10.9 percent and 38.1 percent, respectively.

Nonfatal shootings fell from 104,390 to 64,207 in the same period, or from 40.5 per 100,000 to 24.0.

Gun control advocates said the recent focus of keeping guns away from criminals also should be expanded.

Contact the HerefordBrand

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS News digest

Clinton inks pact cutting weapons

ISTANBUL, Turkey — President Clinton joined world leaders today in signing a treaty cutting the number of tanks and non-nuclear weapons systems across Europe. Clinton also said he was encouraged by Russia's willingness to allow more outside access to war-torn Chechnya.

"This is a significant move by Russia," Clinton said.

Clinton and 53 other world leaders, wrapping up a two-day summit of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, planned to declare their support for a principle Russia has long disputed: that outside intervention in a civil war can be justified if the conflict has the potential of spreading beyond its borders.

"We've got a lot of turns in the road in Chechnya before it's resolved," Clinton said. But he said the agreement here, and Russia's willingness to allow a European official to visit Chechnya, had made him more hopeful.

Do your homework before you self-treat

WASHINGTON — The doctors were astonished: The 47-year-old Detroit woman's muscle tissue was rapidly dying. She soon needed a feeding tube and ventilation as she lost the ability to swallow or breathe. Yet doctors couldn't find any disease.

The only clue: She ultimately revealed she had a sack full of herbal products. She first used a few as diet aids, but then when she began feeling ill, she desperately bought some 20 different herbs in her search for a cure-all.

Enter toxicologist Susan Smolinske, a sort of medical detective at Detroit's poison control center. She tested the patient's grab-bag of self-treatments and found a suspect: ma huang, a Chinese herb also known as ephedra. It often is used for weight loss, but Smolinske says it has been blamed for 15 other cases of muscle destruction.

"She didn't realize the herbs were the cause of her problem, and compounded it" by taking more, explained Smolinske. The woman eventually recovered.

Then there was the young woman who walked into Smolinske's office covered head-to-toe in an amazing rash. Itchy pustules even coated the soles of her feet. She had just switched from her regular multivitamin to one with added ginkgo. Smolinske's diagnosis: Every so often — it is very rare — ginkgo can be contaminated with a poison ivy-like substance.

As holiday nears, need for food greater

STAMFORD, Conn. — For most Americans, Thanksgiving will be a time to celebrate family, food and abundance as the nation basks in a thriving economy.

Still, more and more families this year will line up at soup kitchens and food banks for the traditional turkey, stuffing and pumpkin pie.

Despite the booming economy, the demand for food nationwide has far outpaced donations.

"Our requests for help are at an unprecedented level," said Nancy Carrington, executive director of the Connecticut Food Bank.

"It really is ironic," said Dave Krepcho, executive director of the Daily Bread Food Bank, which serves southeast Florida.

"You're surrounded with appreciated stock and people buying luxury automobiles and SUVs ... and they can't possibly imagine somebody living on the other side of the tracks."

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