HUSTLIN' HEREFORD HOME OF Philip Foster

# Today's weather OUTLOOK

## Mostly clear skies

Tonight, mostly clear with a low around 50, south to

southwest wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy with a high 80 to 85, south to southwest wind 5-15



**Extended forecast** 

Friday through Sunday, partly cloudy, lows in the lower to mid-50s, highs in the lower to mid-80s.

#### Hereford weather

Tuesday's high, 67; low, 47; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

# Congress criticized on budget

WASHINGTON (AP) With a veto of the Republican tax cut all but official, the White House is criticizing Congress for "running up to the deadline" on approving appropriations bills before the end of the legislative session.

White House spokesman Joe Lockhart said Tuesday the public should be concerned that members of Congress are engaging in "gimmicks and tricks" over the budget process, while the majority of the 13 appropriations measures before lawmakers have not been approved.

Congress has passed just four of the 13 spending bills for Fiscal 2000, which begins Oct. 1.

"Congress is once again running up to the deadline with very little of the work they're charged to do having

done,

Lockhart

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"Congress is once again running up to the deadline with very little of the work they're charged to do having been done. Joe Lockhart

hind, is s o m e thing that should be a con-

cern to the public.' President Clinton has already promised to veto the 10-year, \$792 billion tax cut proposal that Republican leaders forwarded to him days ago. White House officials spent Tuesday trying to decide how Clinton would carry out the veto.

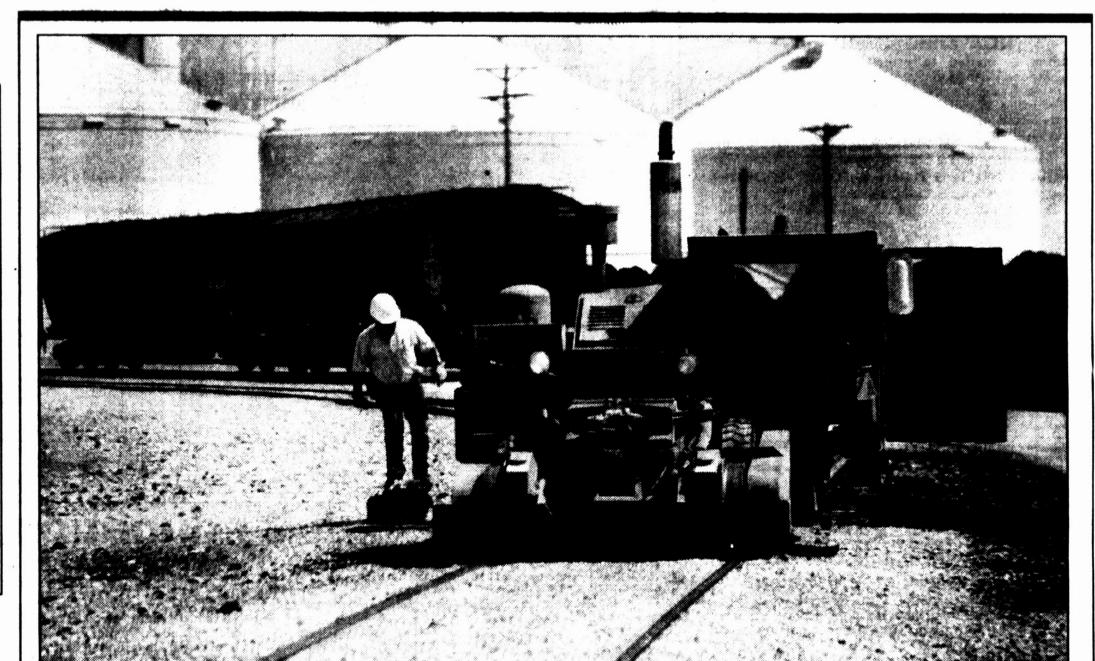
Lockhart said Clinton, hampered by hoarseness, decided against holding the veto ceremony today because that "would be counterproductive to the voice rehabilitation project."

The tax bill would use part of a projected 10-year budget surplus to cut all federal income tax rates by 1 percent.

# CORRECTION

The name of Christopher Diller's mother was incorrect in an article on Page A1 of the Sunday edition of the Hereford Brand.

Mrs. Diller's name is Shelly. The newspaper regrets the



Making the switch -- Paul Juarez, an employee of Farmland Industries, switches the rail so he can move along a rail spur at the Hereford grain center to pull out some empty grain hoppers. Farmland Industries, which recently

completed the acquisition of the 10-million-bushel grain center complex from Frito-Lay, has begun a construction project that will increase its grain-handling



Hereford Farmers Gin Association board members (from left) Frank Bezner Jr., Brian Reinart,

y Dienne F. Dandridge reford Brand Staff Writer

Members of the Hereford Farmers Gin Cooperative received good news Tuesday evening at the annual stockholders meeting at the Hereford Country Club.

Members received dividend checks valuing more than \$80.529 and learned the co-op has total assests valued at more than \$2,591,000.

As always, the board nominated and elected new officers, including a successor to Brian Reinart. Reinart has served two Though the cooperative

bylaws do not set term limits, board members traditionally only serve two terms. Members voted to re-elect Reinart for a third tem and kept the current board until gin renovations are complete.

Topping off the strong fi-

nancial report, Hereford Economic Development Corp. Executive Director
Don Cumpton presented
Reinart and gin manager
David Varner with a check
for \$60,000 to help cover
part of the gin expansion

Broad chairman Frank Bezner Jr. detailed the new gin - its costs and benefits to the area cotton grow-

"This year we have more than 56,000 acres planted to cotton. That's up from the 21,000 last year. We expect to harvest \$5,000 acres which will make this the biggest crop we've ever ginned," he said.

Varner told the members the association has grown from 40 members last year to 109 this year and he expects the gin to be fully operational by cotton har-

# **Foundation** offers grant resources

Lewis Fetch, Eric Fowler and Tom Schlabs.

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

The Amarillo Area Foundation wants to award approximately \$10,000 to fill some very special and unique needs for area children.

The foundation is now accepting applications for minigrants from the Children's Fund. The fund will distribute individual grants from the charitable contributions raised during the 1998 Children's fund campaign held last holiday season. Each mini-grant will range from \$500 to \$1,000.

Any 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization operating in the 26 northernmost counties of the Texas Panhandle that offers services to children is eligible to apply for the one-time grant. Interested agencies should call the Amarillo Area Foundation to request an application form. Completed applications must be returned

agencies meet those special needs of children and youth which are not met through normal funding channels.

The Children's Fund helps

to the Amarillo Area foundation on or before Oct. 4.

Instead of token seasonal gift giving, Children's Fund provides local citizens a way to acknowledge business associates and special friends through a special charitable gift in their name. Since 1993, the Children's Fund has awarded more than \$50,000 from charitable gifts with an additional \$10,000 to be awarded in November.

The Downtown Women's Center in Amarillo is working to create a handcrafted gift item again this year which will be mailed to each honored recipient as a symbol of the gift made to area chil-

The Children's Fund helps agencies meet those special needs of children and youth

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# GOP's farm bailout plan carries \$8 billion pricetag

WASHINGTON (AP) — The cost of bailing out the nation's farm economy reached \$8 billion as Republican congressional leaders introduced their plan to aid growers who have been hurt by low prices or lost crops to droughts and floods.

The GOP plan, released Tuesday, closely tracks a \$7.4 billion package that the Senate attached last month to an farm spending bill. But it added \$500 million for weather-related losses.

Most of the money would go toward compensating farmers for a second year of depressed commodity prices.

Democrats were expected to push for hundreds of millions of dollars more in disaster aid, but some conceded that the \$8 billion plan would be approved by the House-Senate conference committee that was writing the final version of

the appropriations bill.

GOP leaders, struggling to find a way to pay for even the \$8 billion without raiding the Social Security surplus, refused to go any higher, said Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., the lead Senate negotiator on the spending bill.

"We're up against the limit on our allocation," Cochran said.

Republicans had hoped to finish work on the appropriations bill late Tuesday but the negotiations were put off until today because of a disagreement over dairy policy.

Cochran said Congress could consider additional aid in 2000 to cover this year's crop losses. North Carolina lawmakers were expected to seek \$1 billion or more for crops and livestock destroyed by Hurricane Floyd.

"We expect the administration to monitor the situation

closely" and request more money if it's needed, Cochran said.

USDA officials say they need \$1 billion to compensate farmers for losses already had occurred this year from drought in the East and flooding in the Midwest.

Mary Kay Thatcher, a lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation, said the GOP proposal was "woefully inadequate."

Republicans control both the House and Senate, and one of the Democratic negotiators, North Dakota Sen. Byron Dorgan, said Republicans had the votes to pass the \$8 billion plan. "They're not talking to us," he said.

The House did not have the farm assistance in its version of the appropriations bill.

Grain prices plummeted during the financial crisis in Asia and have yet to recover.

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# **Local roundup**

#### West Central book fair

West Central PTO is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair this week. Book fair hours will be 8:30 a.m to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m to noon Friday. Parents and the community are welcome.

#### **NCA** annual auction

The public is invited to attend the annual Nazarene Christian Academy Auction Saturday, Sept. 25, 1999, in the auditorium and parking lot of the church. Appliances, services and vehicles are listed as items to be auctioned. There will also be baked goods, casseroles and rummage sale items. The auction begins at 10 a.m. All proceeds go to support the

#### Taxing entities hold public hearing

Hereford Independent School District, Deaf Smith County Hospital District, City of Hereford and Deaf Smith County will have a public hearing to discuss an application for tax abatement from Top of Texas, Inc. The hearing will take place on Monday, Sept. 27 at 6 p.m. in the County Courtroom at the courthouse.

The Tax Abatement Board met on Thursday, Sept. 16 to discuss recommendation on the abatement and a unanimous decision was made by the board for referral to their individual entities.

This public hearing is the next step in the line of action for granting or denying the abatement.

# San Jose celebrates Day of Renewal

The San Jose Church will celebrate the Day of Renewal from 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26 at the church, 716 Blevins. Speaker will be Father Daniel Balizan. A potluck dinner will follow. The community is invited to attend.

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# **News in brief**

### Jury to decides punishment

BRYAN, Texas (AP) — Jurors today were hearing final arguments before deciding the fate of a white supremacist convicted of capital murder for the vicious dragging death of a black East Texas man.

After brief closing statements from attorneys on both sides, the jury was to begin deciding what punishment to give Lawrence Russell Brewer, 32.

The panel had only two choices — life or death.

The same Brazos County jury convicted Brewer of capital murder Monday for the June 7, 1998, killing of James Byrd Jr., who was chained by his ankles to a pickup truck and dragged for three miles over a bumpy country road outside Jasper.

They must answer three questions to reach their decision: whether Brewer intended to kill Byrd, whether he is a future danger to society and whether any mitigating circumstances

about him should be considered. If the jury unanimously answers "yes" to the first two questions and "no" to the third, Brewer goes to death row. If even one juror holds out, Brewer receives a life sentence, which in Texas means at least 40 years in prison without

chance of parole. A death sentence would send Brewer to join former prison buddy John William King, 24, of Jasper, who in February became the first of three white supremacists convicted and

## condemned for killing Byrd. Texas executes dying killer

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A dried tear glistened on the face of convicted killer Richard Wavne Smith as he drew his last breaths in the Texas death chamber, but his lawyer said it was exactly how the career criminal wanted to go.

Smith, 43, was executed Tuesday evening for the 1992 robbery and murder of a Houston school teacher moonlighting as a convenience store clerk in nearby Baytown. Terminally ill from hepatatis C, Smith had stopped his appeals and told attorney Guy Womack that he preferred lethal injection to dying of liver failure.

"When I tried to dissuade him from dropping his appeals he told me, 'Guy, you don't understand that I'll be much happier dead and not suffering. If I win the appeal, what does that mean?" Womack said.

When a warden asked whether he had a final statement, Smith said, "No, sir." With a tear stain visible under his right eye, Smith licked his lips, closed his eyes and exhaled twice

Smith was pronounced dead at 6:25 p.m., eight minutes after the flow of lethal drugs began. He was the 25th convicted killer put to death in Texas this year and the fourth this month.

# Pet lover searches for dog's owner



A local resident, Pat Stone, is searching for the owners of a lovable dog she has come to call Jumper. Stone has picked the dog up several times on busy streets and hopes to find his rightful owner.

Jumper is well kept, friendly and well mannered. Stone says the animal has

not been mistreated, but is

worried it will get run over. Stone has taken the animal to the Hereford Vet Clinic. If this is your animal please call Stone at 364-4204 or the Hereford vet Clinic.

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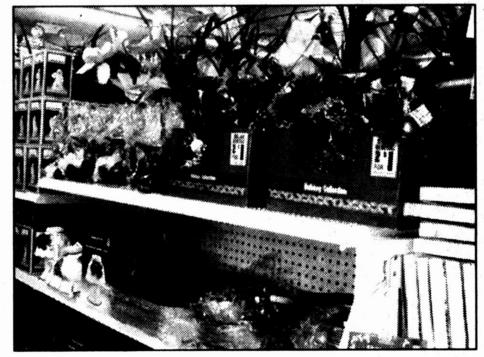
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# 93 days till tinsel and gold

Holidays are back -- Where does the time go? It seems only last week that holiday remnants were found in the alleys of our fair city and now merchants are already gearing up for another round of holiday festivities. The calender says Sept. 23 is the first day of fall, but apparently the merchants plan on being ready for any and all comers who choose to miss the holiday shopping crowds.





# HISD offers adult education classes

A half dozen courses designed for adults are being offered by the Hereford Independent School District Adult Education program beginning on various dates through early October.

At least one course is free of charge with others ranging from \$5 to \$65.

Adults wanting to participate in any of these programs should contact Kelli Moulton, Director of Secondary Curriculum and Adult Education for HISD at 363-

Students in these classes should be prepared to provide their name, address, daytime telephone number and

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ANNA KATHERINE

Sept. 21, 1999

Services for Anna Katherine

Huckert, 84, of Hereford will

be 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Anthony's Catholic Church

with Msgr. Orville Blum offi-

ciating. Wake services will be

7 p.m. Friday in the Rose

Chapel of Gililland-Watson Fu-

neral Home. Burial will be St.

Anthony's Catholic Cemetery

under the direction Gililland-

Mrs. Huckert died Tuesday

She was born April 19, 1915,

in Welston, Mo., to Charles

DeDoe Hardesty and Eliza-

beth Leola Mitchell. She came

to Deaf Smith County in 1936.

She married Frank Huckert

Mrs. Huckert was a mem-

Survivors include four

daughters, Mary Kathrine

Sauer of Annadale, Va., Betty

Lance of Amarillo, Patsy Mor-

gan of Lubbock, and Barbara

Barnett of Plano; three sons,

Joe Frank Huckert of

Summerfield Robert Huckert

of Hereford and David

Huckert of Lamesa; 14 grand-

children, two great-grandchil-

dren; and three step-grand-

She was preceded in death

by her husband in June of

children.

this year.

ber of St. Anthony's Catholic

Sept. 13, 1937, in Hereford.

Church and a homemaker.

at the Hereford Care Center.

Watson Funeral Home.

HUCKERT

pay the fee at the time of registration. Fees for classes not meeting the minimum of 10 students will be refunded. Classes to be offered include:

\*Personal Financial Planning -- Meets at the HISD Administration Building on Tuesday's from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for 10 weeks beginning Oct. 5, 1999. Instructor is Pat Parker. Fee \$35.

\*Computer Technology for Y2K -- Meets at the hereford High School Administration Building on Monday's from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for 10 weeks beginning Oct. 4, 1999. Instructor is Corky Lockmiller. the new computer owner and

covers a wide variety of technology applications. Fee \$65.

\*Automotive Repair "Just the Facts" -- Meets at the Hereford High School Automotive Lab on Monday's from 6 to 9 p.m. beginning Oct. 4, 1999. Instructor is Monty Smith. This will cover automotive repair for ordinary folks. It is a hands-on course that will allow the student to take on the roll of "grease

monkey," Fee is \$65.

\* ESL (English as a Second Language) -- meets Monday and Thursday 7 to 9:30 p.m. at Hereford High School. Instructor is Becky Valdez. A This course is intended for competency based ESL program for adults with materi-

Mrs. Ott died Tuesday in

She was born June 17, 1910,

in Hardeman County. She

married Ira Ott on Dec. 3,

1910, in Clovis N.M. She was

a member of the Wyche Home Demonstration Club and was

named the woman of the year

in 1953. She received the Dis-

tinguished Service Award in

1979. Mrs. Ott was a lifelong

member of the American Le-

gion Auxiliary serving as

president and vice president.

She was named Deaf Smith

County Pioneer of the Year in

Survivors include two sis-

ters, Frances Johnson of

Seminole and Ethel Logan of

Austin; and several nieces and

The family suggests memo-

rials be made to the First

Presbyterian Church or the

ELVALEEN TERRELL

Sept. 20, 1999

AMARILLO - Graveside ser-

vices for Elvaleen Terrell, 56,

of Amarillo will be 10 a.m.

Thursday at Memory Gardens

Cemetery with Rev. George

Haddox of Cliffside Baptist

Church and Rev. Bennie D.

Martin of Lyndon, Wash., of-

ficiating. Arrangements are

under the direction of N.S.

Griggs & Sons Funeral Direc-

Mrs. Terrell died Monday

She was born in Blue, Okla.,

and raised in Hereford. She

charity of your choice.

her home.

1985.

nephews.

als provided by Region 16. There is no fee.

\*GED (General Equivalency Development) -- meets Monday and Thursday 6 to 9 p.m. or 9 a.m to noon Monday through Friday at Deaf Smith Public Library, lower level. Instructor is Mary Jo Hamman, This is for individual wishing to receive direct instruction and the opportunity to practice skills that will lead them to successful completion of the GED. Fee \$5 with \$2 refundable upon completion of 12 classroom hours.

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Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Sept. 21, 1999 include the

#### following: POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

- Four juveniles were arrested in the 700 block of LaPlata and charged with being members of a gang.

- A 50-year-old woman was arrested in the 100 block of West Park and charged with traffic violations and misdemeanor warrants.

Incidents - A theft was reported in

the 2000 block of East First. - A minor traffic accident

#### was reported in the 100 block of East Park.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests

#### - A 19-year-old man was arrested and charged with criminal trespass and driving without a drivers license.

- A 38-year-old woman was arrested and charged with theft by check over \$20.

- A 27-year-old woman was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a theft by check conviction.

- A 34-year-old man was arrested and charged with evading arrest.

- An. 18-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a felony conviction.

Incidents - Physical abuse of a child was reported.

- Theft from a business was reported.

# ASSOCIATED PRESS **Texas lottery**

Cash Five The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

# 2-10-16-19-27

Pick 3 The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

# bituaries PHILLIP "PHIL" RAY **CAPERTON**

Sept. 20, 1999 LUBBOCK -- Services for Phillip "Phil" Ray Caperton, 59, of Lubbock were today at the Chapel of Angels Chapel with William Clemens and T.L. Garrett officiating. Burial was in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Chapel of Angels Funeral Home.

Mr. Caperton died Monday in Lubbock.

He was born April 30, 1940, in Lubbock. He married Wanda Voyles on June 19, 1992, in Lubbock.

Mr. Caperton graduated from Monterey High School and attended Texas Tech in Architecture. He worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 31 years before he retired. He was a member of the National Association of Letter Carriers and attended Trinity Church. Mr. Caperton also served with the National Guard.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Clay and Ray Caperton, both of Frisco, and William Caperton of Tyler; two daughters, Michelle Caperton of Austin and Janett Maybee of Addison; two brothers, Sammy Jo Caperton of South Bend and Doug Caperton of Hereford; two sisters, Wilitha Bell of Cembell, Neb., and Carlett Gray of Graham; several nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

#### PET OTT Sept. 21, 1999

Services for Pet Ott, 89, of Hereford will be at the First Presbyterian Church of Hereford with Rev. Jeremy Grant officiating. Time and date of services are pending with Gililland-Watson Funeral Home. Burial will be in West Park Cemetery under the direction of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home.

## graduated from Hereford High School in 1962. She owned and operated South-

west Carpet in Hereford from 1964 until 1978. She moved to Amarillo in 1979 and worked for Jack B. Kelley. She married James Terrell in November 1981. She was a

in Amarillo.

member of Cliffside Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; one sister, Barbara Heck of Ute Park, N.M.; stepdaughter, Terri Lantelme of Borger; two step-sons, Michael Terrell of New Castle, Neb., and Daniel Terrell of Panhandle; - several nieces and nephews.

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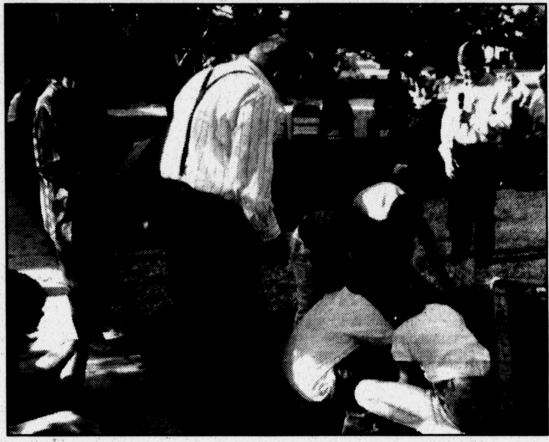
# LIFESTYLES

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# Remembering the past

# Looking forward to the future





First United Methodist Church Hereford marks anniversary with fellowship and time capsule opening.

Left - At the First United Methodist Church's 100th Anniversary Saturday, members and guests enjoy hamburgers, dessert and mingling.

Right — Honored guests, Mildred and Shirley Garrison help dig-up the First United Methodist time capsule with help from anxious children. On-lookers are Pastor Tom Fuller and church members.

**Creators Syndicate** 

bad, but in time, the bruises

many victims aren't around

any more to say them. I would like to tell every

freedom. It could save your

Dear Leesville: Thanks for

encouraging all victims of do-

mestic violence to seek help

immediately. Shelters for bat-

tered women (and battered

men) are listed in the tele-

phone book, or you can call

the Domestic Violence Hotline

at 1-800-799-SAFE (1-800-799-

7233) or, for the hearing im-

# **Ann Landers**



Landers

Dear Ann paired, call TTY: 1-800-787-3224 husband would go ballistic Landers: I am for a referral.

Dear Ann Landers: I hope had done, she quickly cut you will let me share one more the leg off. When she story on ridiculous bills. My brought the turkey to the Domestic Violence Outyou will let me share one more reach specialist/advocate husband is in the process of and I assist retiring, and we are planning several long trips in the near victims of dofuture. I suggested we have our utility bills paid automatilence. I read your column in the Alexan cally through our bank so we dria (La.) Town Talk, and be- wouldn't have to be at home to lieve you understand this take care of them. My husband problem well. refused. He insisted that he that he Too often the question see every bill that comes in. I asked is, "Why does she stay?" argued that it was totally uninstead of "Why does he batnecessary to see such mundane ter?" Victims of domestic vio-lence are like puppets on a bills, but he was adamant.

Two days after our discussion, we received our electric string, and invariably, the abuser sadistically toys with bill. The amount due was \$233,613.29. When we called the his victim. I refer to domesutility company and expressed tic violence as "the death of our shock, we were told the a soul." The physical abuse is company had just acquired a go away and the bones heal. The emotional abuse is somenew computer system and our actual bill was \$40. Our banker thing that does NOT go away.

I am a survivor of domessaid that bill certainly would have been paid automatically by the bank had we been out of tic violence. I am glad I can say these words, because too town when it came through.

We framed the bill, and it gives us a good laugh every pot, cocaine, LSD, PCP, time we look at it. — The Ems crack, speed and downers? woman and man who is get-ting knocked around, YOU MUST GET HELP. Outside intervention is your key to in Dothan, Ala.

Dear Dothan: It pays to check even the most ordinary bills, since a million-dollar mistake means nothing to a computer. It's just a few more zeros.

life. If you try to fight this battle alone, you will probably lose. — A.P., Leesville, Dear Ann Landers: After reading the story about the man who soaked his infected toe in the crockpot, I'd like to tell you about what happened to a friend of mine.

Years ago, "Dora" took a tur-key out of the oven, set it on the stove to cool, and left with her husband for church. When they returned, Dora found the cat on the counter, enjoying the turkey leg. Knowing her

if he knew what the cat table for carving, her husband asked, "Where's the other leg?" Dora replied, "Kroger's had a special on one-legged turkeys, so I bought one."

Her husband actually believed her, and proceeded days later she felt guilty and told him the cat got the other turkey leg. He roared with laughter, and it has been a family joke ever since. —
Mrs. W., Chattanooga, Tenn.
Dear Tenn.: If Dora's hus-

band did more of the grocery shopping, he never would have bought that story about the one-legged turkey. How lucky for her that he has a sense of humor. I trust she promised him there would be no more Tom-foolery after that.

What's the truth about "The Lowdown on Dope" has up-to-the-minute information on drugs. Send a selfaddressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Lowdown, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.)

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#### **Local students among 870** receiving Texas Tech degrees LUBBOCK - More than 870 Restaurant, Hotel, Inst. udents at Texas Tech Management; Brooke Renee lists at the end of the summer semesters. students at Texas Tech Weishaaar, Master of Business University received degrees

1999 summer during commencement exercises.

Graduating students from Hereford include the following: Natalie Clara McWhorter, Bachelor of Science in qualified for academic honors

Administration in General Business; Kyle Christian Hansen, Bachelor of Business

Administration in Marketing. More than 360 Tech students

Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List. Natalie McWhorter, from Hereford, made the Dean's List.



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Auctioneer Brice Busby TX LIC. 11407 Hereford, TX 806-364-7597





Mark Hicks and John Bunch prepare hamburgers for the First United Methodist Church of Hereford's 100th Anniversary celebration this past Saturday.

# Noted spiritual adviser, speaker scheduled to discuss issues relating to prayer, healing

Across Texas, 28 Hastings Bookstores are hosting booktalks to provide healing answers to fears associated with the

Millennium. Responding to this community concern, Hastings Bookstores in Borger, Pampa and Amarillo are hosting special talks entitled, "Live Free From Fear."

Borger's will take place on Fri., Sept. 24 at 4-6 p.m., Pampa's will be held from 7-9 p.m. on the 24th and in Amarillo on the 25th from 2-4 p.m. at the Georgia St. Hastings and at 5-7 p.m. on the 45th Ave. location.

# Lynn Jackson will talk observed

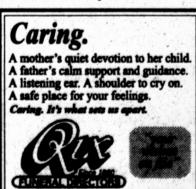
As Constitution Week is observed Sept. 17-23, these Constitution Sidelights, furnished by Los Ciboleros Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, feature signers of the Constitution.
These men, who gathered in Philadelphia from May to September 1787, are remembered for their dedication in a constitution. in creating a Constitution which established the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of American citizenship.

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\*Jared Ingersoll served in the Continental Congress in 1780 and 1781 and was a delegate to the Constitutional Convention in 1787. Although he missed no sessions at the Constitutional Convention, had long favored revision of the Articles of Confederation, and as a lawyer was used to debate, he seldom spoke during the proceedings.

He later served in a variety of public positions and in 1812 was a Federalist candidate for vice-president when De Witt Clinton ran for the presidency unsuccessfully. He was a distinguished lawyer. He died in 1822 less than a week after his 73rd birthday.



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#### At the Center

# **Senior Citizens**

**MENUS** 

THURSDAY-Mexican stack, Spanish rice, pinto beans, salad fixing, tostados, pineapple; or polish sausage.

FRIDAY-Pollock with lemon wedge, macaroni and cheese, vegetables coleslaw purple plum cobbler; or meat loaf, purple plums.

MONDAY-Italian spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian green beans, garden salad, fruit cup; or smothered chicken.

TUESDAY-Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, cranberry applesauce, jello, carrot cake; or wieners and kraut, angel food cake.

WEDNESDAY-Swiss steak, oven brown potatoes, peas, tossed green salad, mixed fruit cobbler; or sliced ha, mixed

Beltone 10 a.m-noon.

**ACTIVITIES** THURSDAY-Pool classes, quilting 9a.m.-3p.m., oil painting, exercise class 10-10:45a.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m., AARP defensive driving 10 a.m.-

noon and 1-3 p.m. FRIDAY-Pool class 9 a.m.-3 p.m., line dance 10-11 a.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m., AARP defensive driving 10

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WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., ceramics 12-4 p.m., Thrift Store open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

# **Hereford Club Reports**

# **Pilot Club**

Joyce Curry, governor elect of the Texas district Pilot International will

visit the Pilot Club of Hereford on Fri., Sept. 24. Curry has been a member of the Pilot Club of Mineola, Texas for 28 years, serving in all officer capacities.

was chartered 15 years ago with Margaret Bell as president.

Joyce

Curry

of the club is Sue Hyer,

The present executive board

The Pilot Club of Hereford

president; Patsy Giles, president elect; Bobbie King, recording secretary; Ann Nelson, corresponding secretary, Marilyn Culpepper, treasurer; Joy Bunch, Shirley Easterwood and Brenda Thomas, directors.

The current president's appointees are Brenda Thomas, parliamentarian, Betty Sue Robinson, chaplain; Linda Minchew and Vesta Mae Nunley, historians; and Margaret Bell, Pilot International Foundation representative.

Pilot International is a volunteer organization of executive, business and

professional leaders working together to improve the quality of life in communities throughout the world by serving those with brain-related disorders and disabilities.

Current club projects for the year consist of United Way, large print magazines to nursing homes, two \$1000 scholarships, four Lifeline units, and the club also co-sponsors several other organizations.

The theme for the Pilot Club this year is "Members - The Heart of the Pilot."

# **Bippus Family Community Family Education Club**

Bippus Family Community Education Club

met for a business meeting. The meeting began with roll call which each member said they were present by telling the last movie each attended.

During the meeting, the members discussed the Pecan Project which is done every year by the club.

Members ate lunch and went local neighborhoods. to the movies to watch "The Runaway Bride." After the movie, members surprised Mattie Lewis with a birthday

To conclude the meeting, members went bird watching and toured Hereford's construction sights and admired the nice yards with flowers in

The club's next meeting will be held on October 13. The

meeting place is still pending. Members attending were: Mariellen Homfeld, Kate Bradley, Sue Thweatt, Alta Mae Higgins, and visitors Kristi Homfeld and honoree Mattie Lewis at age 92.

# **Wych Family Community Education Club**

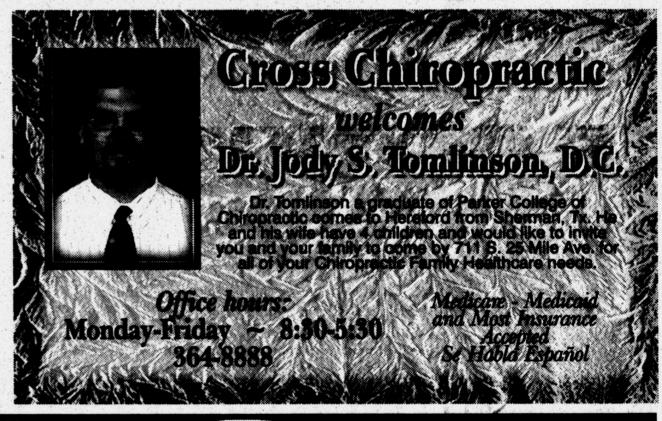
The Wych Family Community Education Club met Sept. 16 at

2:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Shirley Brown in absence of the president and vice president. After the meeting was called to order, Dorma Kirby led salutes to the USA and Texas flags and said the FCE prayer. Thema Auten then read a poem titled "Listen With Your Heart," for the

opening exercise. Guest speaker was Yolanda Guerrero introduced by club memeber Audrey Rusher. Guerrero taught the club "How

to Make Rose Bud Flowers with Chocolate Kisses."

Hostesses Auten and Rusher served refreshments after the meeting was adjourned. Members present at the meeting were: Mary Lou Aven, Kirby, Vada Batterman, Brown and





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# nird time's the cham



New Kids On The Block — Hereford's Tori Walker and Toni Eicke are up in arms, trying to attempt a block against the Dumas front line Tuesday at the Dumas High School Gym. The Lady Whitefaces took their third consecutive match against Dumas.

Hereford gains momentum to steal three-game set road win against state-champ Dumas

By Yuri Soto

Hereford Brand Sports Editor

DUMAS - Maybe it was because they still wanted revenge on the Demonettes after losing to them at the Region I-4A championship in 1998.

Maybe it was because after struggling throughout pre-district, they couldn't wait for

district play. Maybe it was because they played Dumas twice already, and won both times.

Or maybe it was because they traveled to the raucous Dumas High School gym and the energy started to flow.

It could have been those factors, or just because they

improved in play.
Well, it couldn't have come at a better time.

The Hereford Lady Whitefaces overcame an early 5-0 deficit in the first game and came back to win a three-game match against their archrival, theDumas Demonettes, by the score of 9-15, 15-5, 15-4 on Tuesday.

"You do feel like your stealing the game away from them," said Hereford coach Brenda Kitten.

"Coming in to Dumas is

probably the hardest place to play and you hear that from teams everywhere and you accredit that to all the Dumas

fans and players."
But it didn't look like things

were going to go Hereford's way early in the game.

In the fast game, the Demonettes took a 4-0 lead thanks to kills by Beth Ratliff and Tiffany Johnson.

That lead would increase to 6-1 thanks to block errors by Hereford.

"We didn't come out like we hoped to," Said Tori Walker, who recorded 21 kills and two block assists. "We didn't get the first points and we just realized that first points matter."

The momentum for the Lady Whitefaces started to generate late in game one.

Trailing 14-5, a kill by Michelle Bernhardt, a block assist from Sarah Griffin and Bernhardt, and two errors by the Demonettes' front line, put the score 14.9 in favor of Dumas.

After ending the first game on a Ratliff kill, the Lady Whitefaces started out

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# Heads

Leading tackler and emotional patriarch Pietsek showing the way for Hereford's underrated defense

By Yuri Soto

Hereford Brand Sports Editor

Hereford has been pounding on opponents like Lennox Lewis did on Evander Holyfield.

The Herd has torched up their opponents with an average of 30.7 points per game.

But the de-

held.

the

"The offense has done really

well especially compared to

the last couple of years," said

Pietsek, who leads the team

with 14 tackles. "Everything

that they've gotten they de-

offense some opportunities

and that's what we'll do for the rest of the year," he added.

and underrated Hereford

Whiteface defense for the

past two seasons. He compli-

ments the strong defensive

line for their efforts and

making Hereford as tough as

"Playing with Daniel

"Our entire job is to give the

fense has had

Hereford's

defense, led by team's

leading tack-

Seth Pietsek,

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Pietsek

record to 3-0.

served.

Michael Barba, Gilbert Hernandez and Vernon Adams makes everything easier,"
Pietsek said. "There's nobody
else to block us and their making holes and popping up and making the state of the works out really

Against day, the made the play for the herd that like them to some offenses On Frenship's second possession, Pietsek rushed through the line, making Frenship running back Jorge

ler and emo-Rodriguez fumble the ball at tional leader, the Hereford 11 yardline. Pietsek recovered and set up a has given Hereford's oftouchdown and a 14-0 Hereford lead. That may be the only true portunity to score the points needed to run the season

action fans got to see of Pietsek. But if his name wasn't called out over the public address system as often as others, it was because the defensive line kept making a lot of play behind the line of

scrimmage.
But Pietsek did make his plays, and ended up with six tackles against the Tigers.

"Again, the defensive line is keeping people off of us and it allows the strong side line-backer and free safety to make Pietsek has been the triggerman for the overlooked, plays," Pietsek said.

Seth has done a good job and is one of those kids that, as a freshman and sophomore, was one player that was going to help us going to turn the program around," Hereford coach Craig Yenzer said. "Seth is a tremendously hard-work-

Fangman, Johnny Zammaripa, ing young man and very enthusiastic and just an asset to our football team."

But that's just a piece of the package that Pietsek is all about.

Watching film from the game against Frenship during Monday's Quarterback Club luncheon, it is noticed how Pietsek is the first one to rush toward the defensive huddle and the one jumping up and down after a great defensive play, not mattering who made

"I get really emotional and I take it out on the field a lot,' Pietsek said. "I make sure the defense that it'sis

"When they are up to that level, they're the best in the state, so I make sure that they are emotionally ready and I take that on my shoulders, making sure they are ready."

Of course, every high school football player has an idol on the gridiron that he follows their game after. On Pietsek's case, that player comes from

Linebacker U., Penn State.

"This year, I've been watching the Penn State guys and Lavon Errington and he is just attacks the ball so well," he said. "I've been watching his games and I kind of do what he's doing. Once district comes around, I'd like to be more like him, and hope my game would eventually look like his."

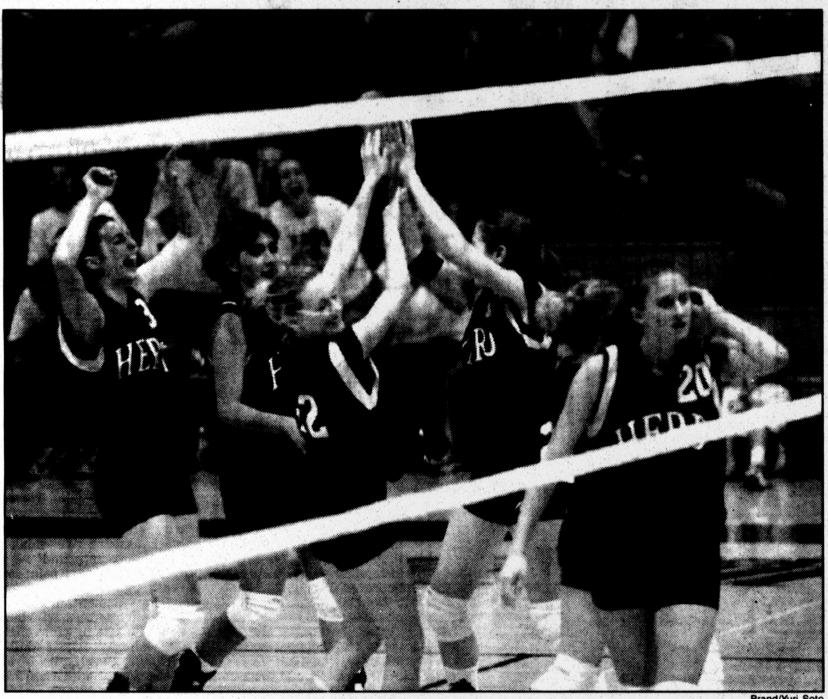
Whatever game it may be, Pietsek will certainly the Whitefaces a lot of success.

# Nowhere!



Happy Valentin's Day — Hereford linebacker Valentin Sustaita tackles Marlon Brown of Amarillo Tascosa during action from Sept. 3. The Whitefaces have been scoring a lot of points, averaging 30.7 points-per game. But a lot has to do with the play of the defense, led by inside linebacker Seth Pietsek. Pietsek leads the team in tackles with 14 and is anchor of the defense that is allowing 14.6 points per game to the opposition. Against Andrews on Sept. 10, they held the Mustangs to 38 yards passing and forced four turnovers. The defense's next challenge will be Friday night against the Canyon Randall Raiders, who were shelled last week by Amarillo Tascosa, 41-11.

# How Sweet It Is !!!



Chris Gove of the Amarillo

Globe News contributed to this

Members of the Lady Whiteface volleyball team celebrate after a point scored in the second game of the match against district rival Dumas. The Lady Whitefaces won their third in a row against the Demonettes, 9-15, 15-5, 15-4.

# Herd

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strongly. A kill by Bernhardt points. "Every one was more abilities and when we play to and three kill errors by the consistent than the way we've our best of our abilities, we can

"The first game we didn't pass well," Kitten said. "We let the ball fall on the center of the court and weren't quite finishing defensive plays. Once we got that fixed and the end of the first game, the momentum carried over into the second game.'

Another Bernhardt kill put Hereford up 6-1, put the Demonettes got three more points on kills by Johnson and Ratliff put the game close at 7-

That's when Tori Walker and Sarah Griffin took over.

Both combined kills, block points and an ace to take control of game two, 15-5.

"Today we were more consistent," said Griffin, who ended up with four kills, one

solo block and six service We played to our best of our and a whole new season." Demonettes gave Hereford a been playing and I felt my win games like this."
5-0 lead in the second game. blocking was a lotbetter. I felt Added Kitten: "Just the ball being blocked over the net instead of letting fall on our side."

> The third game was no different, except that the Lady Whitefaces built a commanding 10-0 lead on kills by Griffin, Bernhardt, Walker, Pam Klein, Toni Eicke and block assists by Pam Klein and Griffin.

From there, service points by Walker, Griffin and Klein, plus block errors on the Demonettes ended things and the Lady Whitefaces walked out the winners of the game.

"It's an awesome feeling and it's our goal to beat Dumas every season," Griffin said. "I think everybody came out nervous and I came nervous since this is my first year and we got over the nervousness.

Added Kitten: "Just the fact story. that we're playing the defending state champions and a district rival, you don't have to work as hard as a coach to motivate them when you come in to this gym. We know we're capable of playing at the level that we did in the second and third game."

Michelle Bernhardt finished with 13 kills and Pam Klein added five.

The victory all the much sweeter, as it was accomplished on the road in very

hostile circumstances. "There's always a lot of energy in this gym when we play Dumas because both crowds are so rowdy," Walker said. "It's a whole new game

# **Hereford Tennis** team struggles against Levelland

■ Herd gets walloped by the Loboes, 13 matches to four

From Staff Reports
The Hereford tennis team lost another dual match, this time against Levelland, 13 matches to 7.

But this time, the Whitefaces showed signs of improvement.

In boys' singles, Nelson Beville showed his dominating ways from the early season matches as he defeated Josh Montgomery, 6-1, 6-3. Riley Hall won the only other boys singles match, defeating Derek Stanley, 7-6, 6-3.

In girls' singles, Lindsee Goforth, Kylee Auckerman and Ivory Isaacson all served victories. Goforth defeated Kelli palmer 6-7, 6-3, 7-6. Auckerman got pass Tosha Marlar 5-4 in a return match, and Isaacson got the best of Stacy Shelton, 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.

In boys doubles, Beville and Hall handed a defeat to the team of Montgomery and Stanley, 6-4, 6-0/

Mixed doubles saw the seventh voctory for the Whitefaces. Auckerman and Clay Cosby defeated Alli Balah and Dean Palmer, 6-3, 6-4.

The tennis team's next showing will be at Borger on Saturday, Sept. 25.

# **Junior High Volleyball** continue winning ways

From Staff Reports Hereford's junior big volleyball team has had a run of

success. The 8th Grade A team defeated Valleyview, 15-3, 15-10. Sabrina Garcia, Gina Artho

and Kealie Fellhauer scored 5

service points each. The 8th Grade B team also was successful against Valleyview, defeating them 15-3, 15-13. Brandi Kriegshauser scored 6 service points.

Both eighth-garde teams also were successful at the Borger Tournament last Sat-

Team A recorded a 16-14, 15-8 win over Borger and a 15-10, 15-2 victory against Valleyview.

They lost a chance to get to the championship game by losing to Dumas 6-15, 7-15, but got the third place trophy on a

15-8, 15-9 victory against Borger.

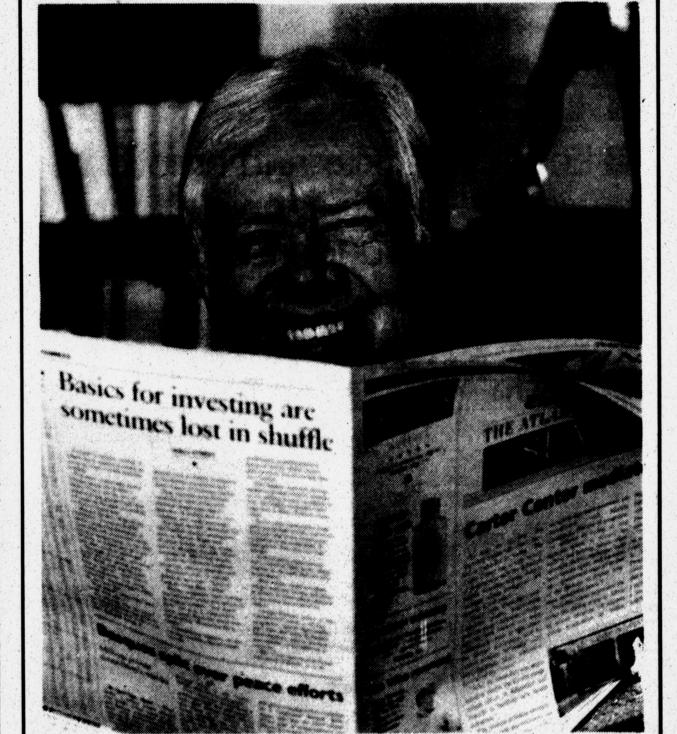
The B team got a good showing as well. They defeated Borger 15-4, 15-10 and Valleyview, 17-15, 15-10.

They lost a chance to go to the title game on a loss to Canyon 9-15, 9-15, but came back to take third place as they defeated Valleyview, 15-13, 15-13.



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# Ripken reaches 3,000th hit

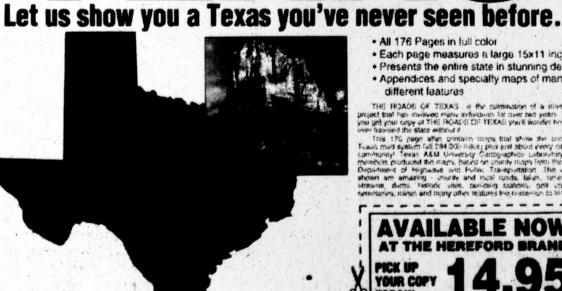
ARLINGTON (AP) — Cal Ripken moved within nine hits of 3,000 and Jason Johnson pitched six strong innings as Baltimore Orioles stretched their winning streak to 12 by beating the Texas Rangers 4-2 Tuesday night.

The loss kept the AL Westleading Rangers' magic number for clinching the division

Ripken was 1-for-4 with a second-inning double. He is trying to become the 24th player to reach 3,000.

Lee Stevens' 23rd homer put Texas ahead in the second, but Baltimore went ahead with a four-run third on Brady Anderson's RBI single tied it, B.J. Surhoff's run-scoring grounder and Albert Belle's two-run single.

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WASHINGTON (AP)

and 18 people, including Aretha Franklin and Garri-son Keillor, were lauded Wednesday by the National Endowments for the Arts

and Humanities for their

contributions to the nation's cultural heritage.

"The outstanding individuals and organizations we honor with the National

Medal of Arts exemplify both the creativity and rich diversity of America's cul-ture," said Bill Ivey, chair-

rforming arts school

# Clapton: Apology needed

# THE ASSOCIATED PRESS People

LOS ANGELES — Eric Clapton says the music he wrote for Rob Reiner's new comedy, "The Story of Us," needed an apology.

When Clapton viewed a rough cut of the film about a couple on the brink of divorce, he felt the story "was this loggerheads situation going on where no one would back down."

"I thought, well, I've got to make up for this," Clapton said during press interviews to promote the film last week. "I'll write the general apology."

Clapton's song contains the

refrain, "I'm sorry."

Clapton recorded the song for the movie, which also includes instrumental tracks he co-wrote with Marc Shaiman and features his 1970s hit "Wonderful Tonight."

"The Story of Us," starring Bruce Willis and Michelle Pfeiffer, opens Oct. 15.

#### **Chariton Heston**

MISS BUXLEY!

TYPOS

AKRON, Ohio - The man who filled theaters for "The Ten Commandments" and "Ben Hur" couldn't draw enough of a crowd to hear his views on gun control and the nation's cultural

Charlton Heston, president of the National Rifle Association, canceled an appearance today in Akron because only \$15,000 worth of tickets had been sold at prices ranging from \$150 to \$2,500.

Heston's Arlington, Va.-based Arena Political Action Committee backed out Friday, according to promoter Paul Schiffer of Akron's Patrick Henry Council, a conservative Republican group.

Schiffer said he would have sold another \$10,000 to \$15,000 in tickets and met the Arena PAC's minimum requirement if given a few more days.

Schiffer said most of the money was going to Heston's PAC but that the Patrick Henry organization would have gotten a share.

Heston is willing to work with the Patrick Henry group to arrange another date, publicist Debbie Nauser said Tuesday.

**Annette Bening** 

LOS ANGELES - Annette Bening says her return to the stage was hard work after a decade away from the theater.

She starred last spring in Henrik Ibsen's "Hedda Gabler" in Los Angeles.

"I was in the middle of rehearsals and I was in probably the third act, and I thought, 'Oh my gosh, I've been acting for I don't know, an hour and a half," Ms. Bening said. "I can't stand up anymore, I can't concen-

#### Rena Mero

NEW YORK — The World Wrestling Federation wants to get *Playboy* in the ring over some nude photos of former women's champion Sable.

Rena Mero, aka Sable, has twice appeared in Playboy and wants to do it again in the Oct. 19 newsstand issue, which isn't mailed to subscribers.

But the WWF filed a lawsuit Monday seeking to block release of the issue and demanding the profits from an appearance Mrs. Mero made in *Playboy* last month. The federation claims it created the sex-kitten Sable image.

Mrs. Mero, who lives in Amelia Beach, Fla., filed a \$110 million lawsuit against the WWF in June. She accused the federation of trying to degrade her with plans for a lesbian story line, exposure of her breasts on television and appearances in sexually degrading

photos. Mrs. Mero was stripped of her championship belt in May.

#### Countess of Wessex

LONDON — Countering claims that her mother-in-law, Queen Elizabeth II, wants her to pare back her public relations work, the new Countess of Wessex has written to clients assuring them it's "business as usual."

News reports said the queen was angry that the former Sophie Rhys-Jones, who married the queen's youngest son, Edward, in June, had used her royal connections to secure lucrative contracts for her public relations firm, including the car maker Rover.

But in her letter, released Tuesday, the countess wrote that Buckingham Palace is 'supportive of my role" at R-JH Public Relations.



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#### WEDNESDAY **SEPTEMBER 22**

Arts, humanities awards announced

man of the National Endow-

ment for the Arts, which has administered the arts medal since its creation in 1984. President Clinton and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will present the medals at a

South Lawn ceremony cept.

The 1999 winners of the National Medal of the Arts

· Arts patron Irene Dia-

mond, who gave more than \$73 million to the arts through foundations and personal gifts.

• Singer Aretha Franklin,

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#### 1. ARTICLES FOR SALE

**REBUILT KIRBYS 1/2 price** with warranty. Other name brands. \$39 & up. Sales and repairs in your home, on all makes and models. Call 364-4288.

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

BY OWNER: Year 2000 Travel Trailer. 28ft, Air conditioning, like new, self contained. \$10,800. Call 406-464-2915 Leave Message.

# TASCOSA BEEF

100% Genuine Hereford Beef Locally grown and fattened in Hereford, Texas

No implants---No hormones "Just Pure Beef!" Fed whole corn, red top cane

and supplement TASCOSA INDUSTRIES P.O. Box 871

212 E. New York St. Hereford, Texas 79045 806-364-3109

GUINEA CHICKS For sale. Call 289-5500.

THE GIFT Garden - Merle Norman Cosmetics- 220 N. Main 364-0323. Fall display (just inside the door) all 25%

# 1a. GARAGE SALES

RENEE'S ESTATE Sales. Complete liquidation of personal property in the home. Let us sell for you! Call Renee Huckert at 364-6603.

YARD SALE! 341 Avenue G. Thursday and Friday 10:00a.m. til ?? Lots of good stuff!

# 2. FARM & RANCH

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

WEATHERMASTER 135 Wheat Seed for sale. Excellent for hay & grazing. Call 806WILL DO Shredding, listing, and chiseling. Call 289-5211.

FOR SALE! Ford 8N Tractor with shredder, chain link fence, Honda spree. Call evenings at 364-5675.

FOR SALE Round Bales Red Top Cane. Call 364-6544.

# 3. AUTOMOBILES

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

FOR SALE! 1996 Grand Am. V-6, Green, 100,000 Miles. See at Hereford Credit Union.

ONLYUSEDCARS.COM Where used car customers and used car dealers get together.

FOR SALE. 1979 Ford Pickup Courier. \$900.00. Call 364-6232 or 364-3745.

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

### 4. REAL ESTATE

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

FOR SALE! 3 bedroom, 2 bath, nice brick home, big fenced backyard. Located at 141 Northwest Drive. \$52,500 with \$1,000 down. Call owner at 806-352-0429 or 806-353-0353.

14x70 2/2 front kitchen - Mobile Home. \$3,500 Value Homes 655-0223

16x80 3/2 Mobile Home. Will finance, will trade for car or truck. 655-0223

Double Wide 3/2 Mobile Home. Will finance, will trade for anything of value. 655-0223

Best price and interest rates in town on a Mobile Home!

## Value Homes - 655-0223 **VALUE HOMES**

18400 I-27 in Canyon, TX 79015 806-655-0223 • Fax 655-6900

PRIME-FARM/PASTURE-LAND, NE EDGE of Hereford. Avenue K approximately 130 acres. (1) Irrigation Well-WILL NEGOTIATE/WILL FINANCE. For information, call Mr. Dixon, Dallas-(972)239-7708.

3 BEDROOM, 2 Bath. Lots of Cabinet space, island in kitchen, perfect for the chef!! Call Reca at 806-342-0440.

MAKE A Move to the country. Call Nationwide Homes at 806-343-0440.

CEDAR-GORGEOUS!! 8 Bedroom, 2 Bath W/A Porch. Must Sell!!! \$99.00 Over Cost. Nationwide Homes (806)342-0440.

END OF Millennium Sale!! All display models must be sold at unbelievable prices. First Come—First Serve Basis!!! Nationwide Homes (806)342-0440.

TOTAL HOME 2000. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath with Computer Room!! Over 2000 sq.ft. Awesome!! Nationwide Homes-4701 Amarillo Blvd. East (806)342-0440.



# **CROSSWORD**

#### CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

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2000 series models. Call Nationwide Homes (806)342-0440. **HIGHEST QUALITY Homes** 

INVENTORY CLEARANCE

Sale!! Must make room for our

on the Market!! Zone III-Nothing has to be added for rebates. Call Nationwide Homes at (806)342-0440.

MUST SELL Due to divorce!! 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2075 sq.ft. Home, Financing is available WAC!! Call Tommy at 1-800-820-0103.

# 5. RENTAL PROPERTY

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

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

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

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



FOR RENT! 3 bedroom, 2 bath nice brick home, big fenced backyard. Located at 141 Northwest Drive. \$600 monthly, Call owner at 806-352-0429 or 806-353-0353.

DIAMOND VALLEY ENT., INC. MOBILE HOME PARKS

Hereford-Amarillo Commercial Buildings Warehouse (dock high) 13,000 sq. ft.

Doug Bartlett - 415 N. Main 364-1483 (Office-Hereford) 383-2183 (Office-Amarillo) 364-3937 (Home)

# Now Leasing

Guardian Self Storage 1409 E. Park Avenue 364-5778

FOR RENT! Unfurnished 2 bedroom. 8 miles west of Hereford. \$150.00 deposit, \$250.00/mo. References required. Call 806-364-0390.

APARTMENT FOR Rent. Fridge and Stove furnished. Water bill paid. \$235/mo. plus deposit required. Call 364-6232 or 364-3745.

# **APARTMENTS:** Blue Water Gardens HEAT, A/C LIGHTS INCLUDED

Rent based on income. Accepting applications for 1,2,3, 4 bdrms. CALL Debra or Janis TODAY for information 8 directions. 12-5pm (806)364-6661. Equal Opportunity.

2 BEDROOM House for Rent! 214 Avenue J. \$280/mo., \$100 deposit. Call 364-6489.

2 BEDROOM Apartment for Rent. Stove, fridge, Central heat, refrigerated air, large closets, Nogas, and Water paid. Call 364-4370.

OFFICE SPACE!! Over 400 sq.ft. Good location, carpet, central heat/air, private entry and utilities paid. Call 364-

# CLASSIFIEDS WORK!!

# WANTED

LOOKING FOR PHEASANT HUNTING LEASE. Call806-351-1900. 1729

NEED HELP CLEANING? Call Brittany at 363-6624 for a spotless house!

# 8. EMPLOYMENT

# Truck Drivers Wanted!!!

Good pay & benefits. Tanker experience necessary, CDL required.

Must be insurable with a good driving
record. Call 364-7170 or 364-

HIRING DRIVERS for Harvest!! Temporary or permanent. 25 years or older with Class A CDL. 2 years experi-ence. Call 1-800-347-1296.

#### **AMERICAN** HABILITATION SERVICES,

in Amarillo is seeking a personal attendant for a school-age child in Hereford with developmental disabilities.

Must have a high school diploma and at least one year experience in a service oriented job. References will be checked. Starting wage: \$6.50 an hour. Hours are flexible, part-time, and are not during school hours. Hours will increase as needed and desired by the family. For further details call 806-354-8535. Equal Opportunity Employer.

AVON TO Buy or Sell!! Contact Cynthia at 364-0130 or Cindy at 363-1328.

CAREER ORIENTED Company now has immediate openings for cowboys. Experience necessary. Apply in person at Champion Feeders. 2 Miles east of Hereford on Hwy 60 and 1/2 mile south on FM 2943. Call 258-7255 and ask for Jim Ray.

CONTINENTAL CREDIT Seeking energetic, self motivated person for financial business. Great benefit package included. Please pick-up application at 228 N. Main.

LOSE LBS. And Make \$\$. Surf the Net! Results Guaranteed!! Call 1-888-263-0839.

**HELP WANTED!!** Mechanic-Self motivated person able to do all phases of Gas and Diesel mechanics on vehicles and heavy equipment. Benefits include Health Insurance, Retirement Plan and a Profit Share Plan. Excellent Pay for the right person. Apply to Hunter Agri Construction, Inc., Hwy 54 West Dalhart, or call 800/644-5330.

BJM SALES & Service is taking applications for full time shop mechanics and weld-ers. Applicants must have 1 year experience and provide own hand tools. Compensation based on qualifications & experience. Apply in person @ BJM Sales & Service -East Hwy 60-Hereford, Texas.

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

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

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

EXPERIENCED NEED WELDERS!! Great pay plus benefits. Come by Dimmitt WElding & Electric to apply. Located on E. Hwy 86 or call 647-3128.

WANTED!! BOTH A Christcentered Music Director and Organist. See job descriptions and apply for either position at First Presbyterian Church, 610 Lee Street, 364-2471.

**FULL-TIME SECRETARY/** RECEPTIONIST Position available. Monday thru Friday 8 AM to 5 PM. Telephone and computer experience required. Must have people skills and are customer oriented. Excellent Benefits. Please submit resumes to this address: P.O. Box 673JB, Hereford, Texas 79045.

SUCCESSFUL LOCAL Company is looking for the right person to fill an important position in our office. You must possess excellent office and interpersonal skills. A desire to excel in this position is required. Please mail your resume to: P.O. Box 6 73TG, Hereford, Texas 79045.

SECRETARIAL POSITION Part/time. 10-Key experience and phone skills. Monday thru Friday 8:00a.m. til 1:00p.m., Saturday 8:00a.m. til 12:00p.m. Po Box 673RSK, Hereford, Texas 79045.

**HELP WANTED!** Needed single Christian woman as live in to care for elderly lady. Room, board & salary. References required. For interview call 364-1854.

# 9. CHILD CARE



children 0-12! Also - SPECIAL AFTER-HOURS

pick-up for Kindergarten Children! 364-5062



MANOR METHODIST CHILD CARE \*State Licensed

\*Qualified Staff Monday thru Friday 6:00 am - 6:00 p.m Drop-Ins Welcome

MARILYN BELL / DIRECTOR

364-3972 • 400 RANGER

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preferences, limitations or discrimination. State laws forbid discrimination in the sale, rental or advertising of real estate based advertising for real estate which is violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

# Writing want ads that really sell!

Unsure how to write a Classified Ad that will get results? Follow these pointers and you'll soon have an empty space

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

Give the price. A newspaper consultant says 70 percent

of classified readers won't respond to an ad with no price.

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

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

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

### 11. BUSINESS SERVICES

F&G ROOFING and Construction. 15 years experience in all types of roofing needs. Free estimates. Good references. Call 364-4770 or 344-

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



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

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

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**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES** 

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it:

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters,

TREE & Shrub trimming and removal. Leaf raking and assorted lawn work, rotary tilling and seeding of new lawns. 364-

# Hereford RIGHT TO LIFE

24-Hour Hot-Line 364-2027 "PRECIOUS FEET" unborn baby's feet at 10 weeks.



emotional support for those suffering from unplanned pregnancy, post abortion trauma, miscarriage/still birth. For more information contact Alice Hund at 364-3218, Krista **Detten at 364-7563 or Kim** Leonard at 364-8760.

WE BUY Cars and pickups running or not running! We sell used auto parts of all kinds. Call 364-2754.

FORREST INSULATION. We do all kinds of insulation and small home repairs. We build and repair all types of fences. FREE ESTIMATES!! Call 364-5477 or (mobile) 346-2143.

TIRED OF Throwing your money away on rent? We have the perfect home for you!!! Nationwide Homes 4701 Amarillo Blvd. East-(806)342-0440.

**JANITORIAL SERVICES. 25** Years Experience. Call 364-

# ST. JUDE Novena

May The Sacred Heart of Jesus be Adored, Glorified, Loved and Preserved throughout the world, Now and Forever, Sacred Heart of Jesus Pray for us. St. Jude worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude Help the Hopeless, Pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day your prayer will be answered. Say it for 9 days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised.

Thank You St. Jude

# Grants

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which are not met through normal funding channels. Grants from this Foundation fund have made possible such items as:

· Basic items of socks, shoes, a toothbrush and shampoo for underprivileged children

 Birthday gifts for children removed from their home because of abuse or neglect

· A ranch Christmas outing for chronically or critically ill children and their families

Baby beds, car seats and diapers for needy children whose mothers attend parenting classes

· New gloves to accompany free coats being given to children of low to moderate income families, and

· Christmas presents for children of families who are spending their last holiday together due to terminal illness.

The Children's Fund was established in 1993 to raise additional monies to enhance the quality of life for underprivileged children. The Amarillo Area Foundation, a community foundation, is a public charity which both accepts funds from individuals, families, businesses and other groups that want to help Panhandle communities, and gives funds through carefully considered grants to charitable organizations for the enrichment of the quality of life of the people in the 26 northern-most counties of the Texas Panhandle.

# Top official opposed clemency

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top FBI official told Congress he regards Puerto Rican militants freed in a grant of clemency by President Clinton as "terrorists" who continue to represent a threat to the United States.

The description by Neil Gallagher, the FBI's assistant director for national security, came Tuesday as President Clinton tried again to explain why he granted clemency, this time in a five-page letter to a

Democratic congressman.

Meanwhile, The New York
Times reported in today's editions that an unsigned letter prepared for FBI Director Louis J. Freeh stating the FBI was "unequivocally opposed" to the clemency offer was among thousands of documents sent to Congress.

The Times quoted senior law-enforcement officials as saying Freeh read the letter before it was forward to Congress with other background documents and that the letter accurately reflected his position.

Clinton's own letter said the offer was motivated not by politics, as critics have charged, but out of concern for the "extremely lengthy sentences" the separatists were serving. "No form of violence is ever

justified as a means of political expression in a democratic society based on the rule of law," Clinton wrote. "Our society believes, however, that a punishment should fit a

Most of those who had their sentences commuted were serving between 35 and 90 years for seditious conspiracy and possession of weapons and explosives.

Clinton wrote the letter to Rep. Henry Waxman, the se-

nior Democrat on the House Government Reform Committee, which was holding a hearing on the clemency Tuesday. Africa, China and South America last year, three Re-

publican senators say. Sens. Larry Craig of Idaho, Jeff Sessions of Alabama and Craig Thomas of Wyoming released a General Accounting Office study Tuesday that detailed the costs of the three

"The numbers, cost and personnel involved exceeded by a great deal my own expectations," said Sessions. "I think this really is excessive."

The senators acknowledged, however, that they had no basis for comparing Clinton's travel costs with those incurred by previous presidents. In asking for the GAO study, they inquired only about Clinton's spending.

Thomas said such comparisons aren't relevant.

#### FDA approves new antibiotic

WASHINGTON — It's a doctor's nightmare: The 60year-old is recovering fine from a heart bypass when suddenly his surgical wound becomes inflamed and a fever spikes.

He has picked up an infection - maybe germs from a previous patient lingered on his bedrail, or a health care worker checked his bandages with dirty hands. Worse, his drug-resistant infection is not responding to the antibiotic of last resort, vancomycin.

Doctors who until now would have had to watch such a patient die won a new weapon Tuesday against the growing threat of drug-resistant bacteria: An antibiotic called Synercid becomes the first backup in 30 years to that longtime "silver bullet," vancomycin.

"For those of us who treat the most sick patients, in hospitals where they do a lot of major surgery ... having another option is very impor-tant," said Dr. George Eliopoulos of Beth Israel Deaconness Hospital in Bos-

#### Senators predicting minor Y2K troubles

WASHINGTON - The Senate's Y2K panel, in its 100day countdown report on the potential repercussions from computer failures, predicts that the nation will survive the new year with some inconveniences but no major disasters.

The committee, in it's final report before Jan. 1, 2000, said there was "no data to suggest that the United States will experience nationwide social or economic collapse. Nonetheless, disruptions will occur and in some cases those disruptions will be significant."

The report, prepared by Sens. Robert Bennett, R-Utah, and Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., said doctors' offices, school systems, local government functions such as 911



# \$52 MILLON!



Gov. George W. Bush is first candidate to raise more than \$50 million for a White House campaign.

# Bush vacuums up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Setting another presidential campaign fund-raising milestone, George W. Bush has taken in more than \$52 million since March, when he started raising money for his White House

Campaign spokeswoman Mindy Tucker said he is picking up \$550,000 from three fund-raisers this week, including one scheduled for Saturday in Boston featuring the Texas governor's father, former President

The Republican front-runner becomes the first presidential candidate to raise more than \$50 million for a White House campaign. Indeed, Bush's \$52 million is more money than any other presidential candidate ever has spent on a campaign, even including federal matching funds. Including the federal funds, the 1996 Republican presidential nominee Bob Dole had \$45 million to spend, and President Clinton had \$43 million that year.

With money coming in at such a prolific clip, Bush has said he would not accept federal funding, which would require his

campaign to limit its spending to around \$40 million in the primaries. By refusing the federal assistance, Bush can spend as much as he can raise, allowing him to compete financially with publisher Steve Forbes, who also is not accepting federal

funds for his largely self-financed campaign.
At the end of June, Bush had raised \$37 million and had \$30 million in the bank.
His next report is due with the Federal Election Commission on Oct. 15 and covers

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the period July 1 through Sept. 30.

Last month, Bush became the first presidential candidate to post daily lists of his
campaign contributors on the Internet. More
than 80,000 people have downloaded the
list of contributions, Tucker said.

Among other Republican presidential canlist of Sept. 10 have McCain P. Ariz expects

didates, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., expects to report raising more than \$10 million by Sept. 30, including \$2 million transferred earlier from his Senate campaign account, and activist Gary Bauer reported that he had raised more than \$5 million to date. Other Republicans have declined to disclose their fund-raising totals before Sept. 30.

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# **Aftershocks hit Taiwan**

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Terrorstricken residents scurried into the streets when two strong aftershocks hit Taiwan today, triggering mudslides and forcing new evacuations on an island still staggering from a more powerful quake the day before.

Rescuers searching the rubble from Tuesday's massive quake were finding more bodies than survivors as they bored into collapsed houses and high-rise apartment complexes across central Taiwan.

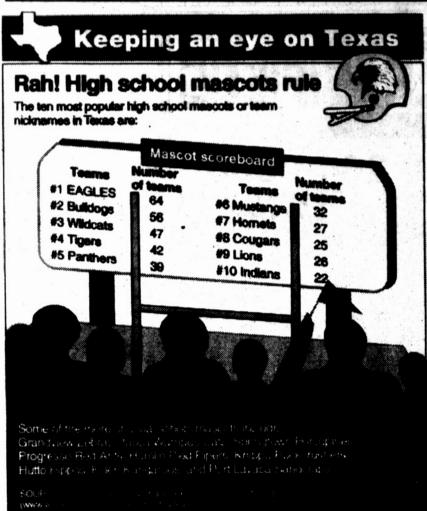
Officials said Tuesday's quake killed 1,863 people and injured 4,400. Rescuers today continued to work around the clock to save some 2,600 people believed to be trapped in rubble.

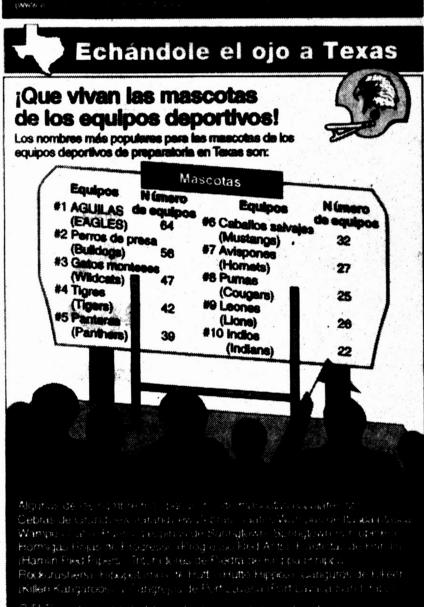
Rescue efforts were complicated by the two aftershocks, a half-hour apart, with magnitudes of 6.8 and 6.1 the strongest of more than 2,000 that have rocked the island since the main quake.

After today's aftershocks, state radio said cracks had been discovered in one of Taiwan's largest reservoirs, the Sun Moon Lake Reservoir, and warned downstream residents to evacuate their homes.

**GOP** senators blast **Clinton travel costs** 

WASHINGTON - President Clinton wasted taxpayers' money by spending more than \$72 million on trips to





# **Book on Reagan** may be 'faction'

By Hillel Italie

The Associated Press

In Edmund Morris' new biography of Ronald Reagan, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author uses a technique more in the spirit of "Forrest Gump" than historical scholarship.

Morris invents a narrator to help frame the former president's life. And not just any narrator — it's a fellow named "Edmund Morris," a fictional contemporary of Reagan's.

So while the author was born nearly 30 years after his

subject, he places himself alongside Reagan on the football field, the college campus and at the Army Air Force's motion picture unit.

Few have seen advanced copies of "Dutch," which will go on sale next week, but it has already been debated by historians, critics and Reagan associates.

"As long as he levels with the reader, I don't think it's a problem," said David McCullough, Pulitzer Prize said David winner for his book on Harry Truman. "He's chosen to try something unusual, but the author is free to do what an author wishes."

sociates.

"Dutch" was commissioned in the mid-1980s, when Reagan was president, and Morris was given extensive access for an authorized biography. His approach is highly unusual for biography, but it's common for fiction.

In Gore Vidal's "Creation," set during the fifth century B.C., the author invents a

traveling diplomat who meets Confucius and Plato, among others. Real and fictional characters encounter each other throughout such E.L. Doctorow novels as "Ragtime" and "Billy Bathgate."

There has long been an odd symmetry between history and fiction. From Herodotus in ancient Greece to Truman Capote in the 20th century, writers of "nonfiction" have been accused of treating literary style as a higher truth than historical fact.

Presidential biographies haven't been immune.

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Carl Sandburg later had great success with his massive, romanticized biography of Abraham Lincoln.

Recent biographies have been more scholarly, but still controversial. In the 1960s, William Manchester was authorized by the Kennedys to write a book on the recently assassinated president, only to have the family threaten to block publication because he wouldn't make proposed changes.

And Robert Caro has been strongly criticized by supporters of Lyndon Johnson for his unflattering books about the late president's early years in politics.

# Spending Social Security

# Both parties try to avoid tapping surplus

WASHINGTON (AP) -Both parties are hunting for ways to avoid raiding next year's Social Security surplus, even though they have rou-tinely spent it for the past five decades and may end up doing so again in 2000.

With the start of fiscal 2000 just nine days away, Republicans are stepping up their drive to complete many of the new year's spending bills on time. So far, Congress has completed just four of the 13 bills required to keep the government running.

Republicans say they will help pay for the bills with most of next year's projected \$14 billion non-Social Secu-

rity surplus, which is building up reserves to handle the retirements of baby boomers as they begin a decade from now. Republicans also will use budget devices that would shift billions in spending into fiscal 2001 — thereby easing their fiscal 2000 spending problem.

GOP leaders also may declare the \$1.4 billion budgeted next year for homeheating aid for the poor to be a budget "emergency." That would let them circumvent spending limits imposed two years ago as part of a balanced-budget agreement with President Clinton.

Republicans hope that in

the end, they will be able to claim they did not spend next year's Social Security surplus, projected to be \$147 billion.

But this goal — which Clinton and Democrats also share - marks an abrupt turnaround. Spending Social Security surpluses has long been standard procedure in Washington. The last time at least some of it was not used to finance general government programs was 1951.

But after two years of parhuge pension program for the elderly and disabled, the political dynamic has changed. Clinton issued a call to "save Social Security first," Republi- program is a priority.

cans countered by pushing a "lock box" plan to prevent the draining of Social Security funds, and now each party says it will leave the money alone.

"The surplus has taken on a symbolic meaning that you won't erode benefits," said Marshall Wittmann, who is congressional affairs director at the conservative Heritage Foundation.

Asked to explain the sudden importance of leaving Sotisan maneuvering over the cial Security surpluses alone, White House budget office spokeswoman Linda Ricci said Clinton has helped create a climate in which protecting the

