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George Pacheco

## Today's weather OUTLOOK

### Decreasing cloudiness

Tonight: Decreasing clouds with a low upper 30s, west to northwest wind 10 to 20 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high around 70, west to northwest wind 5 to 15 mph, becoming southwest in the afternoon.

Friday night: Mostly clear with a low in the lower 40s.

### Extended forecast

Saturday: Partly cloudy, high in the lower 70s.

Sunday: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms, low in the upper 30s to lower 40s, high in the lower to mid-70s.

Monday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms, low in the upper 30s, high in the mid- to upper 50s.

### Hereford weather

Wednesday's high, 46; low, 44; precipitation, 0.94 inches for the past 24 hours; year-to-date rainfall, 2.15 inches, according to KPAN Radio.



## BIG SPLASH!

Some streets in Hereford were flooded as nearly an inch of rain fell on the city during the past 24 hours. Vehicles moving through the flooded intersections splash water. The rain, which began Tuesday night, accompanied a cold front and upper-level low pressure system that moved through the Panhandle. The rain is expected to move out of the area by tonight. In other parts of the region, twisters, large hail and heavy rains were reported. No significant flooding was reported in Deaf Smith County.

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## Gasoline thefts on the rise

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Convenience store manager  
— Cathy Cabezuola

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

Drivers, especially of the big, gas-guzzling older cars and sport utility vehicles (SUVs), really feel the pinch of sky rocketing gas prices — nearly as much as do the owners of gas pumps who are seeing more and more gas drive-offs.

"We've had a few more in the last few weeks," said Cathy Cabezuola, manager at the Town and Country East convenience store. "I can only assume the increase in the number of gas drive-offs is due to the rise in gas prices, especially for the drivers of the bigger, older cars."

Cabezuola says that oddly enough, gas drive-offs usually only range from \$5 to \$10, not the price of full tanks.

The Hereford Police Department has not noticed an increase, but Cpt.



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Gasoline prices haven't been the only thing on the rise lately. As the fuel prices have risen, so have gas drive-offs, according to the owners of the pumps. Pete Vargas of Hereford might have been stunned by the cost of gasoline, but he paid for the fuel he pumped into his vehicle.

Pat Michael said, "Beer and gas thefts go in spurts."

Michael said the stations may be noticing more gas drive-offs, but because of special procedures, many

will not follow through with charges.

"We make the stores do their own reports," Michael said. He also pointed out that the stations have the ability to regulate pumps and

have customers pay in advance. He did say having the station file the reports came about because of the number of reports which were never prosecuted because drivers would come back and pay or the store owners would fail to follow through.

Gas drive-offs are considered a Class C misdemeanor and are punishable by up to a \$500 fine.

Most of the chain convenience stores call the police as part of their policy when any theft occurs, including gasoline theft.

Officials say the best protection against gas drive-offs is to have customers, especially ones who are not well known to store personnel, come in and pay for gas in advance.

Most of the gas drive-offs occur at the stations with large numbers of pumps, usually at peak business hours.

"If someone is going to drive off with gas, they're going to wait until we're busy and may not get a good look at all the cars," Cabezuola said.

Michael also said that if gas continues the way it has recently, store owners can expect to see more gas thefts and should protect themselves by controlling the pumps inside the store.

## Vote for Al? Speaker's not saying

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas House Speaker Pete Laney, the state's highest ranking Democrat, refused to say Wednesday if he would endorse Vice President Al Gore over Republican Gov. George W. Bush for the White House.

"I'll make that decision later on," Laney said at a Democrat Party event to release results of the vote canvass of the March 14 primary. "We're a long way away from all of this."

When asked point blank if he endorsed Gore, a Democrat, Laney said, "I'll be working for my House members and I'll talk about all of that later."

Maintaining control of the state House of Representatives is especially important for Democrats this year. The 2001 Legislature will draw new voting districts for Congress and the Legislature.

Republicans today hold a 16-15 majority in the Senate. Democrats hold a 78-72 edge in the House. Both parties have declared control of the Legislature — and the 2001 redistricting process — a key election goal.

Garry Mauro, co-chairman of Texans for Gore, said Laney and other state legislators are simply practicing good politics by refusing to publicly endorse either Gore or Bush.

"As a Texas legislator, if you expect George Bush to be defeated — and I think most Democrats do — they've got to work with him next session," Mauro said.

"I don't think you're going to find a lot of Democratic legislators, who have strong legislative agendas and programs, trying to anger the governor so he'll refuse to sign their bill next session when he's defeated and comes home," Mauro said.

Laney refused to say Wednesday if he thought it would be better for state lawmakers to have a Texas Republican in the White House or Gore, who's from Tennessee.

Laney's refusal to commit was criticized by the state GOP, which considers his silence a stance against Bush.

"Speaker Laney has always tried to portray himself as a leader of both Republican and Democrats in the House," said state Republican spokesman Robert Black.

"I think he's showing his true colors now by refusing to support Governor Bush and his leadership. By not supporting the governor of the state of Texas, I think Speaker Laney is in essence throwing his support behind the Clinton-Gore administration."



Pete Laney

## FEEL-GOOD FLUFF

### House vote derided as meaningless

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans said they wanted to "send a message" to OPEC oil producers. Democrats called it meaningless "feel-good fluff."

But in the end, all but a handful of House members — Republicans and Democrats alike — voted for a bill Wednesday that both sides acknowledged would do little to help Americans deal with the high cost of oil, or lower prices.

Instead, the vote may have demonstrated how little power Congress has to address the soaring oil and gasoline prices that grip the nation, much less influence foreign oil production plans.

The legislation, although characterized by some lawmakers as tepid and inconsequential, passed the House 382-38, marking the first congressional response to the tripling of oil prices over the past 14 months.

The bill, titled the "Oil Price Reduction Act," simply requires the White House to review pricing practices of the 11-member Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and the president to work with other nations to restrict military assistance against countries found to be engaged in petroleum price fixing.

Nevertheless, it was touted by supporters as a "wake-up call" and a "clear message" to the Clinton administration and OPEC, which meets next Monday to consider new oil production levels, that this country is angry over the run-up in oil prices.

It "spotlights OPEC's price-fixing activities," declared Rep. Benjamin Gilman, R-N.Y., the measure's chief sponsor.

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., ridiculed the measure as "feel good legislation" that does little beyond requiring reports — documents, he added mockingly, that "already have them quaking in Kuwait and quivering in Venezuela."

But when it came time to vote, Frank cast a "present" — not wanting to endorse the legislation, but also not eager to be seen voting on the wrong side in the oil cartel versus American consumer debate.

There were 187 Democrats who voted with Republicans for the legislation, including some who were highly critical of the bill during a two-hour debate.

"Sometimes people laugh at Congress. This is a day for laughing," Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, declared, chastising the Republican majority for pushing the "meaningless" legislation, which he

### HOW TEXANS VOTED

Texas lawmakers' votes in the 382-38 roll call Wednesday by which the House passed a bill calling on the president to consider restricting military assistance to nations that fix oil prices.

A "yes" vote is a vote to pass the bill.

Voting yes were 187 Democrats, 193 Republicans and 2 independents.

Voting no were 15 Democrats and 23 Republicans.

X denotes those not voting.

Present denotes those who voted they were "present" at the time of the vote but did not vote "yes" or "no" on the issue.

**Republicans** — Archer, N; Arme, Y; Barton, N; Bonilla, N; Brady, N; Combest, N; DeLay, Y; Granger, Y; Johnson, Sam, Y; Paul, Y; Sessions, N; Smith, N; Thornberry, N.

**Democrats** — Bentsen, N; Doggett, Y; Edwards, Y; Frost, Y; Gonzalez, Y; Green, Y; Hall, Y; Hinojosa, Y; Jackson-Lee, X; Johnson, E. B., Y; Lampson, Y; Ortiz, Y; Reyes, Y; Rodriguez, Y; Sandlin, Y; Stenholm, N; Turner, Y.

Source: The Associated Press

earlier in a news release described as "feel good fluff." Still, Frost voted for the bill.

Senate Republicans, meanwhile, were planning a largely symbolic vote of their own on a proposed "gas tax holiday," possibly early next week, in an apparent attempt by the GOP leadership to try to gain some political advantage on a high-profile pocketbook issue.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., this week quietly filed two gasoline tax bills — one to suspend the 4.3 cent-a-gallon increase that Congress approved in 1993, and another to suspend the entire 18.4 cent federal levy — with a test vote planned for early next week.

## Filing over for school, city races

By Donald M. Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Filing for spots on the May 6 municipal and school district election closed Wednesday with just one candidate entered the race.

Alan James Foster, who is the local manager for Energas, filed for the District 1 seat on the school board.

Two incumbents, one on the Hereford City Commission and one on the Hereford Independent School District board, decided not to seek re-election.

Carey Black, who is completing his fourth term as an at-large city commissioner, will not make another run. Dave Charest, who was elected in 1996 and is serving as school board president, also is stepping down when his term expires.

Voters will go to the polls May 6 to select members of the city commission, school board and Deaf Smith County Hospital District board. Filing for the hospital district board will not close until April 6.

Four positions will be on the ballot in the city commission and hospital district elections, while three school board seats are up for grabs.

### CITY

In the city election, Places 1 and 4, as well as two at-large seats will be on the ballot. The incumbents are Angie Alonzo, Place 2; Wayne Winget, Place 4; and Roger Eades and Carey Black, at-large.

Alonzo filed Monday for another term on the commission. Eades and Winget filed two week ago for new terms.

Another candidate, Michael Kitten, a safety director with AzTx Cattle Co., filed for an at-large seat shortly after the filing period opened.

Alonzo is completing her first term on the commission. She is the manager of the Amistad Housing Development.

Eades, who also serves as mayor pro tem, is

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## Local roundup

## Bucket-calf time

It's bucket-calf time again. Bucket calves are newborn or orphan calves raised on a bottle or out of a bucket. The Bucket Calf program is open to children ages 5-12. Calves raised under this program will be exhibited during the Town and Country Jubilee in June. Calves need to be purchased by March 27.

Anyone interested in participating in the 2000 4-H Bucket Calf Project or needing help finding a calf should call the extension office at 364-3573 or come by the office.

## RAIN meeting scheduled

The Rural Assistance and Innovative Network monthly meeting will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 28, at the San Jose Community Center.

A local speaker will discuss upcoming business, and elect a vice chairperson. All RAIN members are encouraged to attend and vote. Anyone attending who would be interested in starting or expanding a small business, a RAIN loan or just wanting to learn about and support our local small businesses are encouraged to attend.

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## News digest

## Man wounds four, kills himself

PASADENA, Texas (AP) — A Pentecostal pastor and a female member remained in critical condition today after a gunman opened fire inside a crowded Houston area church's office, wounding four people before turning the pistol on himself.

The unidentified assailant, who had apparently been spurned by the woman's daughter, died in the attack Wednesday night at Iglesia Cristiana Esposa del Cordero Pentecostal Church.

Carlos Matamoros, the 43-year-old pastor, and 38-year-old Angela Contreras were hospitalized at Memorial Hermann Hospital in critical condition.

Matamoros was shot in the chest and Contreras was wounded in the abdomen, said Lisa Lagrone, a hospital spokeswoman.

Contreras' 18-year-old daughter, Leslie, was listed in fair condition at Ben Taub Memorial Hospital in Houston with a bullet wound in her neck.

An unidentified 32-year-old man was "grazed across the chest" and did not have to be taken to a hospital, Pasadena police Sgt. Mike Baird told the Houston Chronicle.

Baird said the man's name was withheld pending notification of relatives.

## JUDGE rules in favor of online realtor

AUSTIN (AP) — A federal lawsuit between the Austin Board of Realtors and one of its members, e-Realty.com, is a symbol of the fear the industry has of technology, a real estate professor says.

Traditional real estate agents, who make their profits from commission, have long resisted the Internet as a way to do business, said Randall S. Guttery, an assistant professor of finance and real estate at the University of North Texas in Denton who has studied the issue for years.

"Their monopoly is disappearing. They have protected this turf for decades, and now those barriers are breaking down. And for that, I say, 'Congratulations to the consumers,'" Guttery said Wednesday.

Realtors rejected that argument, saying the lawsuit attempting to bar the online company from publishing Multiple Listing Service data is about protecting the board's copyrighted material.

"This fight is only about protecting our intellectual property," said Diane Kennedy, president of the Austin Board of Realtors. "We will work with e-Realty to try to resolve this, but we will not surrender our right of ownership over this data."

Earlier this week, U.S. District Judge James Nowlin said that e-Realty.com could continue offering clients online access to MLS data. He also ordered both sides to use a mediator to try to work out a settlement.

## INS criticized for criminals' release

WASHINGTON (AP) — A key House lawmaker is harshly critical of the immigration service for releasing 35,000 immigrants with criminal records into U.S. communities over the past five years, saying one-third of them went on to commit new crimes.

"I just find this another absolutely catastrophic failure of this agency," Rep. Harold Rogers, R-Ky., said.

Rogers, who chairs the House appropriations subcommittee that funds immigration operations, made clear his displeasure during a sharp round of questions lobbed at Immigration and Naturalization Service Commissioner Doris Meissner during a hearing by his panel Wednesday.

Of the 35,318 criminal aliens freed by INS during the five-year period ending last May, 11,605 went on to commit new crimes, Rogers said, citing newly compiled Justice Department figures.

"What we're dealing with here is mayhem on the American people, and that cannot be tolerated," Rogers fumed, saying 98 homicides, 142 sexual assaults, 347 robberies and 1,214 assaults were among the total.

Meissner defended her agency's performance, although she acknowledged that the numbers are "of great concern to us."

Many of the releases weren't at INS' discretion, Meissner said, ordered either because the incarcerated immigrants had won their deportation cases or because bond was allowed by judges.

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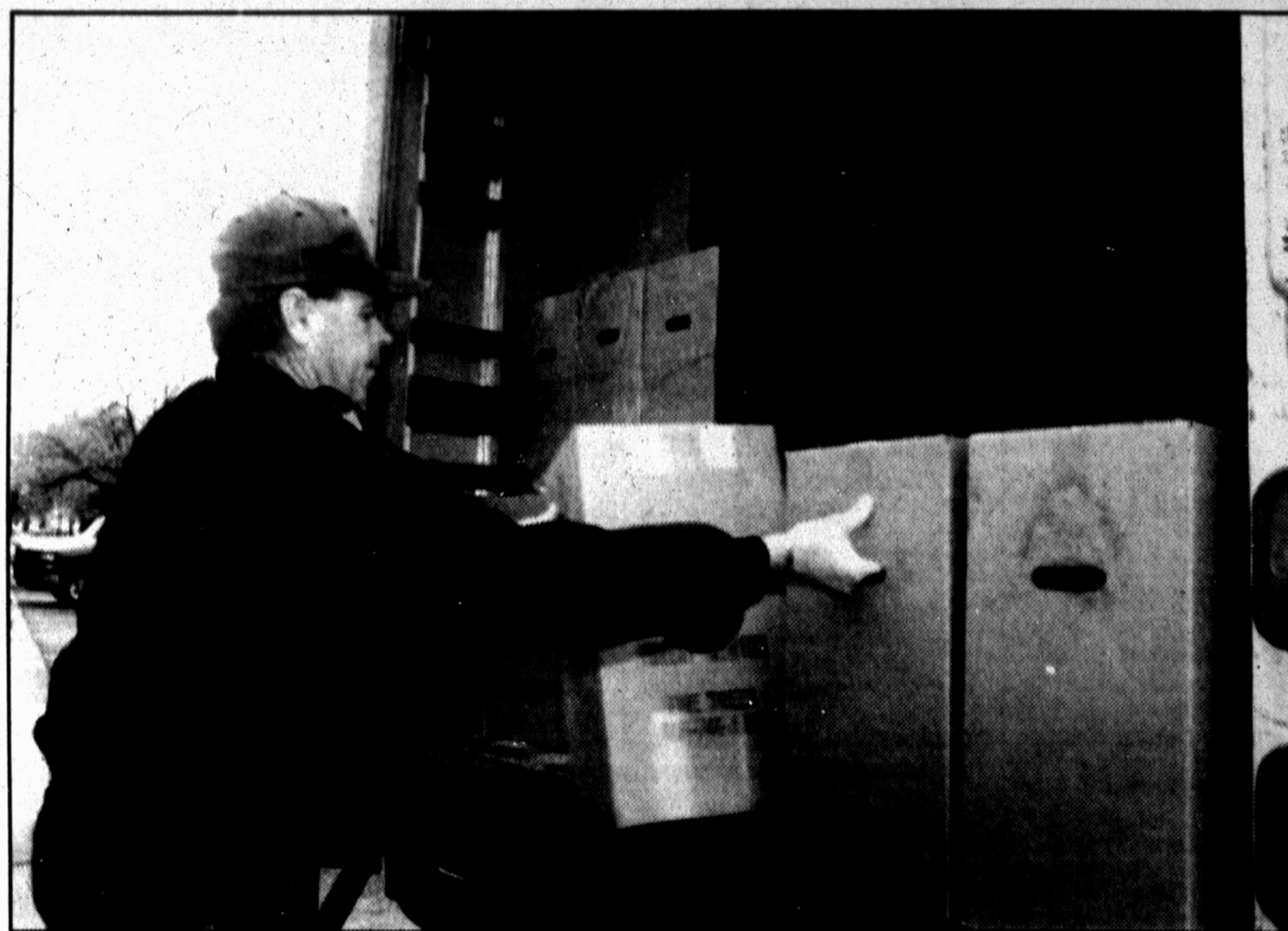
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## Trees In the making



**Only seedlings now** -- Until a few days ago, the Tierra Blanca Soil and Water Conservation District was still taking orders for the seedlings that will grow into wide-spreading windbreak shelters on area farms, ranches and even in town. Wednesday the trees arrived -- almost 3,600 trees were sold this year.

The trees were delivered to the district office by Texas Forest Service employee Brian Scott, in the truck. With this number of trees to unload all the office personnel, including Mike White, were put into service. Tree buyers should contact the office to determine pick-up times.

## S&amp;W and HUD form gun coalition

WASHINGTON (AP) — A coalition of 28 cities and counties aims to use collective buying power to give preference to gun makers that follow the lead of Smith & Wesson — signing an agreement to produce safer firearms and stick to a code of responsible conduct.

"Government at every level should use their procurement policies to support manufacturers who take responsible steps to make guns safer and to keep guns out of the wrong hands," said Andrew Cuomo, secretary of Housing and Urban Development, announcing

the formation of a new gun-safety coalition.

At a news conference on Wednesday, Cuomo urged communities of every size to join the effort. He said preferential buying can prod the gun industry to fall in line behind the Smith & Wesson agreement because sales to law enforcement agencies represent 20 percent to 30 percent of the U.S. gun market.

Mayor Bill Campbell of Atlanta said his city buys "about a million dollars (worth) of guns each year."

When the purchasing power of other cities is added the

gun manufacturers "will comply or they will cease operations," Campbell said.

"It's common sense for police to buy guns from a company that makes it harder for criminals to get hold of guns that can be used against police and civilians," Cuomo said.

Last week, in an agreement announced by President Clinton, Smith & Wesson said it would quickly install gun locks on all the weapons it sells, introduce "smart gun" technology permitting weapons to be fired only by their owners and bar sales of its weapons at gun shows without a background check.

The company broke industry ranks and changed its policy in exchange for a promise that a lawsuit against it would be dropped.

Reacting to that development, Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, introduced legislation to block lawsuits by the federal government against gun makers, calling such suits "extortion" and an attempt to impose gun control over congressional objections.

Hatch said his legislation would call a halt to "frivolous and burdensome lawsuits against law-abiding manufacturers, dealers and firearms owners." He said it would also require "the immediate de-

struction of background check records in order to protect the privacy rights of firearms owners" and would bar the government from charging fees for such checks.

"I do not believe that the administration ever really intended to see its lawsuit against the firearms manufacturers to verdict," Hatch said. He said he suspected it was simply a bargaining ploy.

Two gunmakers — Glock Inc. and Browning — announced they will not sign voluntary gun-safety agreements following the Smith & Wesson model.

Cuomo said Wednesday's announcement was an open attempt to keep the pressure on those and other gun makers.

"Consumers want a safer America" Cuomo said. "Because of Smith & Wesson's agreement we now know a safer America is possible. And we demand it."

Joining the coalition were the attorneys general of Connecticut, Maryland and New York and mayors or county officials in California, Connecticut, Florida Georgia, Hawaii, Indiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Rhode Island, Texas and Wisconsin.

The list included Los Angeles, San Francisco, Atlanta, St. Louis, Boston and Florida's Miami-Dade County.

## HEREFORD BRAND

## Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for March 22, 2000 include the following:

## POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

— A stolen vehicle was stopped in the 600 block of Bowie resulting in the arrest of a 29-year-old woman and a 30-year-old man. Five juveniles were also arrested and charged as minors in possession of alcohol.

— A 28-year-old woman was arrested in the 300 block of Avenue E and charged with domestic assault.

## Incidents

— A criminal trespass was reported in the 200 block of 16<sup>th</sup>.

— Possession of marijuana by a juvenile was reported in the 200 block of East Fifth.

— An intoxicated individual was reported in the 200 block of Avenue H. Officers were unable to locate anyone.

— Someone was reportedly throwing eggs in the 400 block of Avenue J.

— A gas theft was reported in the 700 block of South Main.

— A runaway was reported in the 200 block of Hickory.

— Residents in the 100 block of Cherokee reported a man walking into their home. The man left in a vehicle before the police arrived.

— A hit and run accident was reported in the 200 block of Avenue D.

— Loud music was reported in the 700 block of Avenue G.

## SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

— A 29-year-old man was sentenced for a delivery of a controlled substance.

— A 19-year-old man was sentenced for driving while intoxicated.

— A 19-year-old woman was sentenced for violation of probation.

— A 39-year-old woman was sentenced for violation of probation.

— A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation.

— A 27-year-old woman was arrested and charged with violation of probation and tampering with government records.

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Texas lottery

## Lotto

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

The ticket was worth an estimated \$28 million.

The ticket was sold in Austin.

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

5-8-17-35-38-41.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

## Pick 3

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

1-2-6

## HEREFORD BRAND

## Obituaries

LILIA RODRIGUEZ  
March 22, 2000

Services for Lilia Rodriguez, infant daughter of Rafael and Elvira Rodriguez, of Hereford were Wednesday at St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery, with Rev. Adalberto Ramirez OFM, officiating.

Lilia was born Wednesday at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Survivors include her parents; grandparents Rafael and Lilia Rodriguez of Mexico, Andres Lomas and Maria Paz Gallardo of Mexico; great-grandparents, Manuel and Maria Rodriguez, Macario and Pricilliana Gonzales, Justino and Georgina Lomas, Eugenio and Deonisia Gallardo, all of Mexico.

The family were members of La Iglesia de San Jose.

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LAWRENCE HAROLD  
RUFFE

March 21, 2000

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Services for Lawrence Harold "Larry" Ruffe, 91, of Sun City, Ariz., are pending.

Mr. Ruffe died Tuesday in Sun City.

He was born in Grand Rapids, Mich., on May 12, 1908. He served in the Army Tank Corp at Fort Knox, Ky. He later moved to Colorado and then to Sun City.

Survivors include one son, Lawrence Michael, of Glendale; one sister, Barbara Ruffe of Albuquerque, N.M.; one sister, Mary Williamson of Hereford; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife Estrella.

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# LIFESTYLES

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## MARCH IS NUTRITION MONTH

### Seniors need to eat well

CHARLOTTE R. CLARK  
MS RD/LD

Nutrition is important through all life stages—from childhood through late adulthood. When a child, you were encouraged to eat balanced meals. If you raised a family, you probably urged your children to do the same. As you age, a balanced and varied eating pattern remains important, but your nutritional needs change. This is especially true as you take medications that may impact your appetite and vitamin and mineral needs. Also, the risks for nutrition-related disease such as heart disease, the bone disease osteoporosis and diabetes increase as you age.

**Eating for good health**  
Americans are living longer, so good nutrition and regular physical activity are key to good health. Eating smart means including a variety of foods each day. Foods provide the energy, protein, vitamins, minerals, fiber and water you need for good health. Use the Food Guide Pyramid to help guide your food choices for breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.

**Breakfast really matters**  
Start the day with the most important meal — breakfast. Breakfast helps fuel the brain and body with the energy it needs. Try a bowl of fortified cereal with low fat milk. Fortified cereal provides vitamins, such as folate and the B vitamins and minerals

such as iron. Milk provides protein, B vitamins and minerals such as calcium, phosphorus and magnesium. And the fiber in cereals helps keep your digestive system working regularly. Another easy breakfast choice is a cup of low-fat yogurt mixed with pre-sweetened or low-fat granola and fresh fruit slices.

**Tips for the lunch brunch**  
Choose flavorful sandwich breads that contain fiber, such as multi-grain, whole wheat, bran or oats. Include lean roast beef or turkey, lettuce and tomato or other vegetables such as cucumber, red pepper or carrots, for taste and crunch.

Pair your sandwich with a cup of crushed high-fiber cereal and chicken broth. Dip chicken or fish in broth and then coat with cereal before baking or broiling. Round out your meal with rice, beans and fruit. Another winning dinner, toss cooked pasta with a package of cooked frozen vegetables. Top with your favorite marinara sauce and a sprinkle of Parmesan cheese. Add a mixed green salad with vinaigrette dressing and you have a delicious, flavorful and easy meal.

**Healthful snack facts**  
Add fresh or canned fruit to low-fat ice cream or frozen yogurt with a sprinkle of low-fat granola. Have a bowl of pre-sweetened cereal with milk or try a muffin for a tasty snack with a glass of low-fat milk or juice.

### Youth take part in 'Call to Protect'

High school youth from St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hereford are participating in the nationwide crusade, "Call to Protect," to aid battered women.

The program is a joint effort between the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Wireless Foundation. Old cell phones are collected, reprogrammed to automatically dial 911 or a crisis hotline at the touch of a button, and distributed to battered women shelters.

The objective of the program is to put a cell phone in the hand of every domestic abuse victim in the country.

Cell phones are particularly important because abusers often try to prevent victims from calling the police. Victims of abuse can safely leave their homes and call the police when they have a cell phone.

St. Anthony's youth have adopted "Call to Protect" as a service project and placed collection boxes in St. Anthony's Church and St. Anthony's School where local residents may place no-longer used cell phones, or they will pick up unused phones. Call any St. Anthony's youth, or call Jan Weishaar at 364-4290.



St. Anthony's youth check a collection box to see if any cell phones have been donated by area residents for use in the "Call to Protect" program. Pictured are, from left, Victoria Perez, Brad Reinart and Kyle Artho. Anyone with an unused cell phone may place it in a collection box at St. Anthony's Church, St. Anthony's School or call any St. Anthony's high school youth, or Jan Weishaar at 364-4290, and they will pick up the phone.

## CREATORS SYNDICATE

### Ann Landers



Ann Landers

**Dear Ann Landers:** My husband and I desperately need your advice about a serious matter. "Lloyd" was married to "Jane" for 12 years. During that time, Jane had an affair that continued off and on for almost seven years. When Lloyd found out about it, he filed for divorce. Jane and her lover are now married, and no one in their community knows about the affair.

Here's the problem. Lloyd and Jane have three beautiful children. Lloyd is 100 percent certain that the oldest girl is his daughter, but he isn't so sure about the younger two. He loves these kids, and has no intention of telling them anything or stopping child-support payments. However, he would like to know the truth. Jane has admitted the two younger children may not be his, but when he asked her to submit to DNA testing, she refused.

Since several family members know about the affair, Lloyd is concerned that one day, the truth will come out, and his children will be devastated. This is a ticking bomb waiting to go off. What should we do? — Legitimately Worried in N.Y.

**Dear Worried in N.Y.:** While DNA testing is more accurate when both parents participate, it is not necessary for Jane to be involved in order to disprove paternity. A simple paternity test can determine if Lloyd is NOT the father of these children. Since Lloyd loves the kids,

and intends to continue paying child support, I say he should forget about the testing until the children are older and want to have it done. If, by chance, the results produced a "surprise," it could tear up the whole family. Who needs this kind of trouble?

**Dear Ann Landers:** As a person with multiple sclerosis (MS), I was troubled by the letter from "Palm Harbor, Fla.," who complained of being criticized for parking in a handicapped space. I, and many others with MS, have experienced the same kind of ignorance from strangers.

Persons with MS have good and bad days. Some days, I can't get out of bed, and other days, I appear perfectly normal. I say "appear," because I still have pain, muscle spasms and visual problems, and get severely fatigued brushing my teeth. I not only don't know how I will feel from day to day, but I don't know from hour to hour. There are some days when I look perfectly healthy.

Please let America know that there are many conditions a person can have that aren't obvious. Please don't criticize me until you have walked in my shoes, or should I say, on my painful legs. I would gladly change places with you, and park six blocks away. — K. from California

**Dear K.:** Here's your letter, and my thanks for writing it. Keep reading for another one in the same category:

**Dear Ann Landers:** The writer from Palm Harbor, Fla., pointed out that it isn't wise to jump to conclusions. "Palm Harbor" said he was disabled, but didn't look it. Someone criticized him for parking in a space reserved for the handi-

capped.

I have a severe lung condition that makes it very difficult for me to walk more than several feet without stopping to catch my breath (thanks to Agent Orange). I've received many dirty looks and some unbecoming gestures from motorists who think I am trying to pull a fast one. I hope the people who read this will refrain from rushing to judgment when they see a driver they believe is "perfectly healthy" pull into a handicapped space. Thanks for YOUR space, Ann. — An Illinois Veteran

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### Membership drive concludes this month for Women's Division

The Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce concludes its annual membership drive this month.

Current members have been placed on two teams and will compete to see which team can sign up the most new members.

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Memberships in the Women's Division are \$20. Additional information may be obtained by calling Donna Hathaway at 363-2265 or 364-6936.

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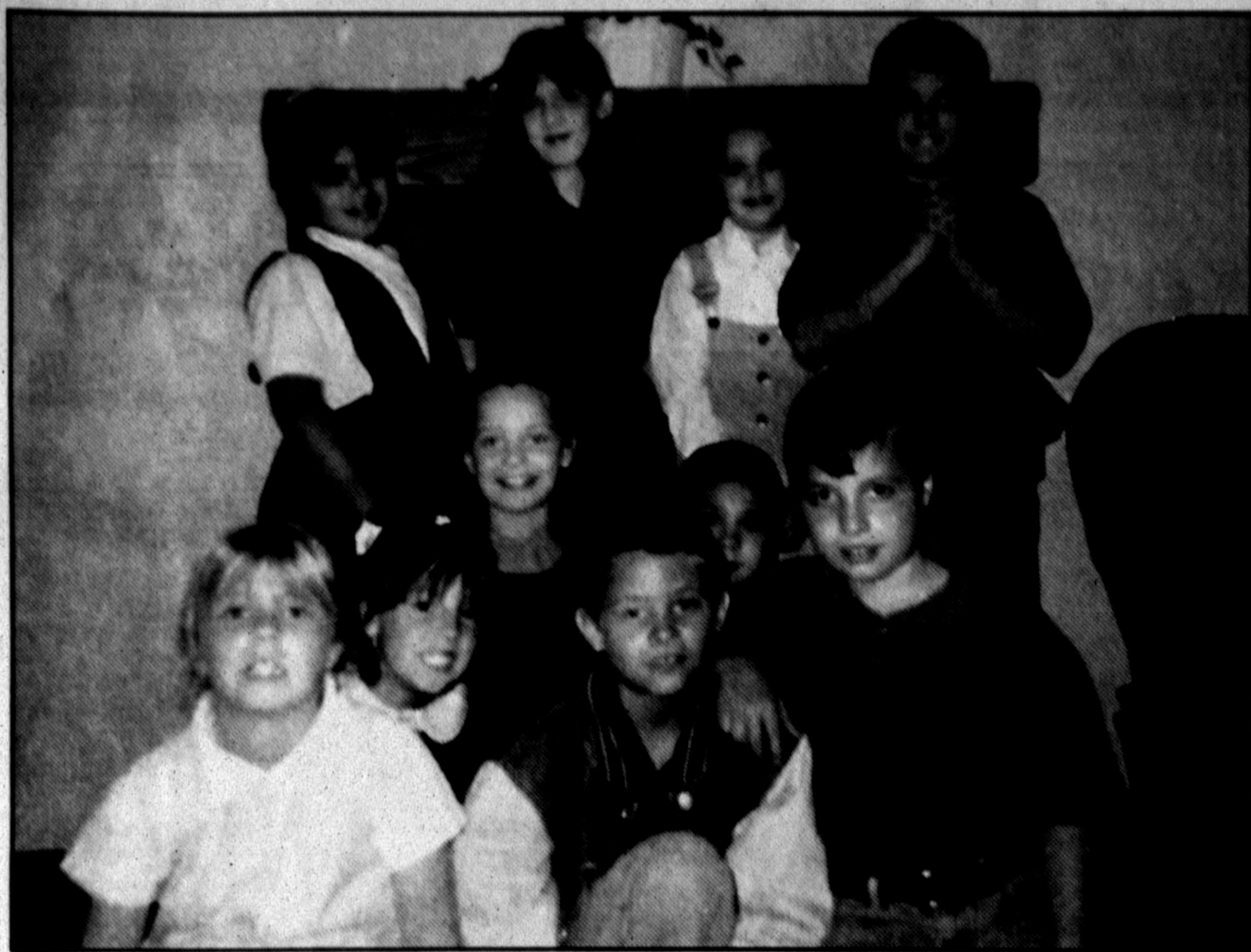
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**Rocking for rockers** - Students from Community Christian School held a Rock-A-Thon at Hereford Care Center recently. The students signed up sponsors to support them and raised \$1,069 to be used to purchase new rockers for care center residents. The students rocked and entertained for 1½ hours to raise the money. Pictured are, front from left, Cory Maslanka, Skyler Daniel; center from left, Amanda Byrd, Sarah Layman, Josiah Bustamante; and back from left, Celeste Claudio, Stephanie Wilburn, Hannah Layman and Brayden Daniel.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Area Events

AMARILLO

Amarillo Opera will present the musical fantasy, "The Magic Flute," at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium, according to Amarillo Opera area representative Margaret Formby.

A delightful, whimsical tale of good and evil, "The Magic Flute" combines magical music and an enchanted dragon to tell the story of a handsome prince and a comical bird catcher as they set out to rescue a beautiful princess.

Using only a magic flute and magic bells for weapons, the duo meet a dragon, genies, a high priest and an evil queen during their quest.

Presented initially in 1994, several of the current performers also acted in the earlier version, including Dale Elliott as Papageno, Katrina Elliott as the second genie; Joe Bolin as Tamino and Dr. Sheryl William, who plays the ominous dragon.

Tickets are available by calling the Amarillo Civic Center box office at 378-3096.

The Texas Gun and Knife Association will present its first Amarillo Gun and Knife Show for 2000 at the Amarillo Civic Center this Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Collectors and exhibitors from throughout the Amarillo area will be on hand to buy, sell and trade guns, knives and accessories.

The public is invited to come in to buy, sell, trade, or just browse. Children under 12 are admitted free.

Amarillo Symphony's Randel

Chamber Orchestra will present the third and final performance of its 1999-2000 season at 8 p.m. on Friday, March 31 in the First Baptist Church, 111<sup>th</sup> and Tyler in Amarillo.

Tickets are not available at the door for this performance. They must be purchased in advance from the symphony office.

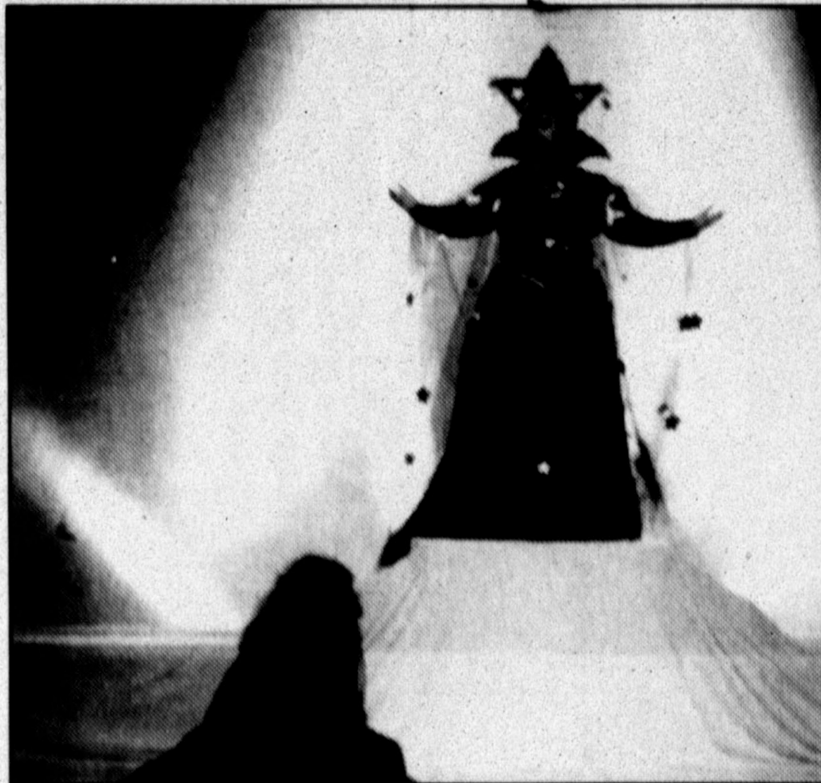
On the first half of the program, the orchestra will be joined by piano soloist David Palmer. They will also be joined by the grand prize winner of the Amarillo Symphony Guild's Young Performers' Competition,

violinist Hannah Kendle.

The ALT Academy presents the American musical *The Music Man!*

*The Music Man!* will run Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 2 at 2:30 p.m.

The box office opened for reservations Monday, March 13. Tickets are \$6 for children under age 12 and \$8 for all others. For tickets call 355-9991. ALT members may use their membership tickets for this show.



Amarillo Opera presents Mozart's "The Magic Flute" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium. For tickets, call 378-3096.

Hospice plans 'Celebration of Life' service

Crown of Texas Hospice families, volunteers and staff will gather together to celebrate the memories and lives of their loved ones in a "Celebration of Life" service on Sunday, April 2 at 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 1200 S. Washington, Amarillo, Texas.

A reception, hosted by Crown of Texas Hospice volunteers, will follow. For more information, please call 372-7696.

ACS needs local drivers

The Deaf Smith County chapter of the American Cancer Society is currently seeking drivers for its "Road to Recovery," which provides free transportation for local cancer patients.

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Bereavement series will be given by ACS, Crown of Texas Hospice

The American Cancer Society and Crown of Texas Hospice are presenting "Life After Loss," a program of the American Cancer Society. The program will be Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25

from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, Texas. "Life After Loss" is a bereavement support series for anyone who has experience the death of a loved one. It is presented free as a

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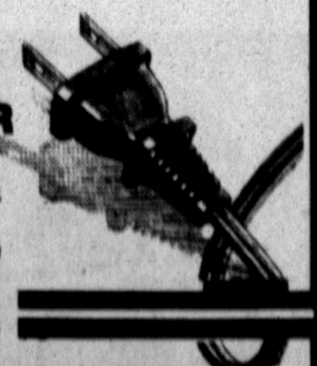
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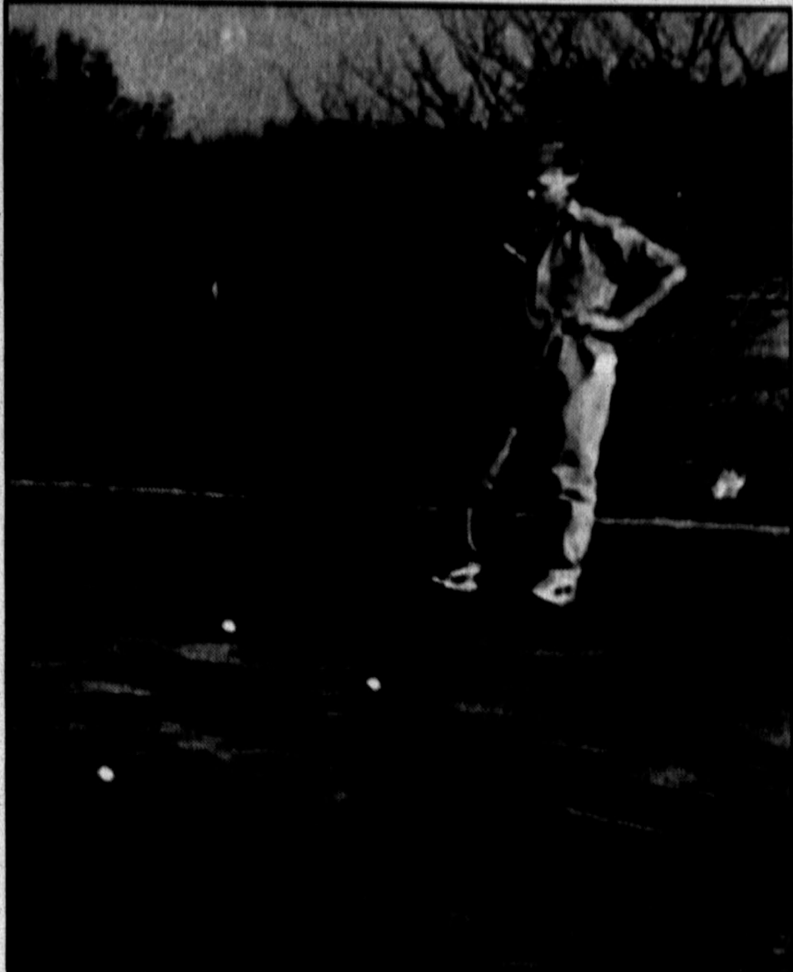
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# SPORTS

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## Borger tournament lands teams in third



Kevin Hoffman contemplates a put during golf practice.

### The golf team's search for a district win heads to Pampa.

By Jeff Blackmon  
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

The boy's and girl's varsity golf teams both find themselves in third place after a tough weekend at Borger. The weekend was filled with bad weather, but both teams feel they came away with good showings.

"I thought we played well despite the conditions," head coach James Salinas said. "It was real cold and windy at times."

Salinas said the team's showing Tuesday despite the conditions was better than the first time the team played the course when conditions were perfect. He said he does like his team's chances when the weather is windy.

"We played in the Fall and didn't do near as well in beautiful conditions," Salinas said. Peyton Ward led the boy's varsity team shooting an impressive 74. The score also puts Ward in third place individually for the district.

"Peyton gets his mind in the game and manages his game very well," Salinas said. "He doesn't get into trouble, and he is very steady."

Salinas said one way Ward has had success this season is he takes every shot seriously and doesn't panic.

"He takes it one shot at a time and is real consistent," Salinas said.

Salinas said in many ways Ward acts as an anchor for

his varsity team. He said the other players like to surround him and learn from him.

"He is such a laid back guy and has such a relaxed attitude," Salinas said. "It is hard to shake him."

When it comes to practicing Salinas said he tries to sit back and let the golfers work on their own game. He said if they need help he will give instruction, but he likes to watch them improve on their own. One player Salinas said he enjoys seeing improve is Kevin Hoffman. Hoffman is an exceptional golfer but seems to have a hard time being consistent.

"Kevin shows great signs of really good development," Salinas said. "It is only a matter of time."

Coach Salinas said this week he would like to see the team work on putting. He said working on the short game would help the team a lot.

"If the rain lets up and we get to practice, I told the guys we need to put more emphasis on the short game," Salinas said.

On the girl's side, the team also placed third with a score of 393. Leading the team was

Heather Stokes (96) and Contessa White (97). Jessica Weishaar finished Tuesday with a score of 99.

In the individual standings, Stokes is currently 11th and White is 13th. Weishaar is not far behind at 16th.

"Borger played well on their home course...we can still catch them at our course."

—Mark Stokes

ASSISTANT GOLF COACH

The Lady Whitefaces are 38 strokes behind first place Borger and 37 behind second place Pampa. Assistant coach Mark Stokes thinks that will change.

"I'm hoping we will take 393 and get our score down to the 380's,"

Stokes said. "All we have to do is get close to them, and we can have a chance to win in our final match in Dumas."

Stokes said he looks forward to when the district matches will shift to the course in Hereford, and they will have the home advantage.

"Borger obviously played well on their home course," Stokes said. "We can still catch them at our course."

The next competition for both teams will be on Monday when they travel to Pampa for a district match. Tee time for both teams will be at 10 a.m.

## Track teams ready for weekend

By Jeff Blackmon  
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

They are aiming for improvement.

After finishing fifth at the Deaf Smith County Invitational, the HHS boy's varsity track team is only going to get better. The team may be young, but they are getting some much needed experience this season.

"We felt our kids did a good job," head coach Joe Cabezuola said. "Basically, they competed well, and we are looking to get better at Fritch."

The team will head to Fritch on Friday to compete in the Fritch Relays. Cabezuola said he thinks the boy's team has come a long way to be where they are now.

"We have done a great job with as young of a team as we have," Cabezuola said. "We are not where we want to be yet, but we have come a long way."

Coach Cabezuola said he is still experimenting with certain team members as to which events they will compete in. He said he wants to find the best events for each of his team members.

"I just want to get them in the best possible events as far as their talent is concerned," Cabezuola said.

Cabezuola said he was pleased with the team's performance at the Deaf Smith County Invitational last weekend, but he wants the team to still try to quicken their pace before heading into the district meet in April.

"I want us to bring our time down on our relays," Cabezuola said.

One athlete Cabezuola said he was proud of last weekend was Luis Perez. Perez competes in the Pole Vault event for the Hostile Herd. Perez routinely vaults 10 feet 6 inches, but Saturday was a different story. Perez hit 11 feet 6 inches.

"Luis hit a jump of 11 feet 6 inches winning the pole vault event," Cabezuola said. "This week we want to try to get him to vault 12 feet."

Cabezuola said he realizes the team is young, but he still wants them to compete hard and improve with every competition.

While the boy's team travels to Fritch, the Lady Whitefaces will be headed to Lubbock to compete.

The girl's team will try to repeat their performance last weekend by placing first. Head coach Ray Baca said he

feels his team is moving on to the next level.

"Our team leaders are leading us to another level that we need to reach," Baca

said. The track meets will both begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday.



Raul Vasquez runs toward the finish line Saturday during the junior varsity 110 meter hurdles.

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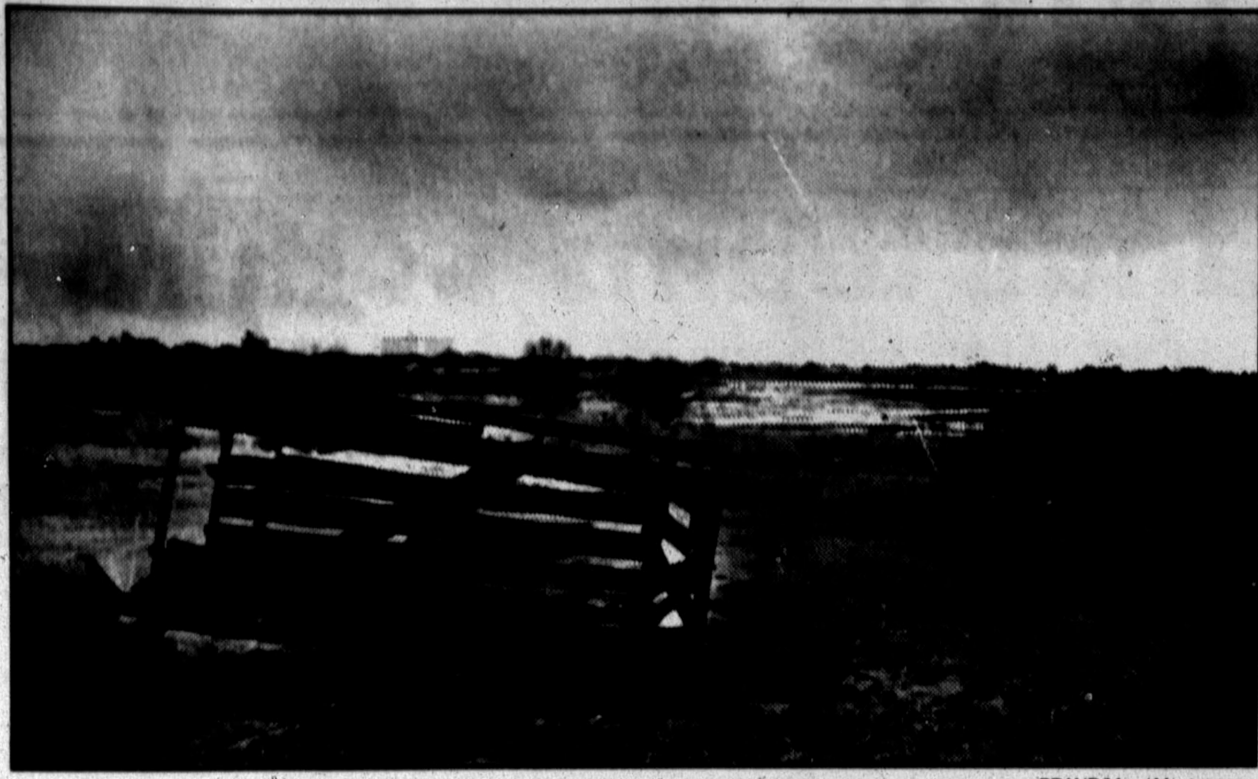
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INSIDE



**It's a lake again** — The nearly 1 inch of rain that's fallen on Hereford over the past 24 hours has turned a playa lake into a lake again. The playa lake (background) is south of Bradley Street in the western part of Hereford.

# Bush: Gore is too partisan

WASHINGTON (AP) — George W. Bush says Al Gore is an “obstacle to reform” who is too partisan to be president and build consensus on fixing Social Security or making meaningful changes to the campaign finance system.

In an interview in today’s editions of *The Washington Post*, the putative Republican presidential nominee pledges to continue pushing his tax-cut plans despite polls showing little interest in one and says he will make saving Social Security a focus of the fall debate against his Democratic opponent.

Bush said the vice president has a “major credibility

problem” that goes beyond the campaign finance matter, and that he plans to make it a central campaign issue as well.

“I’m going to keep the pressure on,” the Texas governor said. “If I’m not, who will?”

He called Social Security a “fundamental issue” and said Gore was wrong to suggest that major changes are not needed to keep the retirement program solvent in the decades ahead.

Bush has not offered a plan for fixing the program and refused to promise to issue one before the November election. More important than specific proposals, he said, is his promise to use his political capital as president to bring Republicans and Democrats together to make changes.

Touting his ability to bring the parties together in Texas, where he is in his second term as governor, Bush said voters want a president who will “put issues ahead of partisanship.”

His approach, he said, “stands in stark contrast to my opponent, who I view as an obstacle to reform, as somebody who is so partisan that it’s going to be impossible to get major objectives.”

Bush pledged to stand by his biggest proposal, to cut taxes by \$483 billion over five years.

# Bivins offers scholarships

Two scholarships are being offered to students living in Texas Senate District 31, according to Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo.

Bivins, chairman of the Senate Education Committee, is offering two students a \$1,000 scholarship for each academic year in recognition of the 100th anniversary of Texas Woman’s University in Denton.

“I am extremely pleased to be able to offer two students from the West Texas area financial assistance to attend one of Texas’ finest institutions of higher education,” Bivins said.

Interested students must meet certain qualifications, which include:

- ✓ Recipients must be new TWU students beginning this fall;
- ✓ Recipients must be full-time students;
- ✓ Recipients must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale in high school) or previous college work; and
- ✓ Recipients must maintain a GPA of 3.0 (for undergraduates) or 3.5 (for graduate students) to continue the scholarship after the first year.

Bivins will award the scholarships by April 21.

Seniors interested in applying need to provide a letter outlining their personal history, community service work and higher education goals, their 7th semester transcript (or the equivalent in their system), and two reference letters (one from a teacher, school counselor or administrator, and one from a community member). The deadline for receiving applications is April 14.

The materials should be sent to Bivins at P.O. Box 9155, Amarillo 79105.

# Television

THURSDAY		MARCH 23											
	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM		
1	Barney	Teletubbies	Sesame Street	Arthur	Dragon	Barney	Teletubbies	Noddy	Zoboo	Mr Rogers			
2	Kids	Mary Kate	Itsy Bitsy	CBN Special	700 Club	Boos?	Itsy Bitsy	Itsy Bitsy	Storytime	Bobby			
3	Today				Later Today	Leza		Judge Lane	News	Days-Lives			
4	Timon	Pooh	PB & J Otter	Out of Bx	Bear	Rolie Polie	Pooh	PB & J Otter	Out of Bx	Bear	Rolie Polie		
5	DiffWorld	DiffWorld	Little House	Little House on the Prairie	Mama	Mama	Meltock			Hunter			
6	Good Morning America			Live — Regis & Kathie Lee	The View			Brown	Brown	News			
7	Early Show			Dr. Joy Browne	Price is Right			Young and the Restless	News				
8	Magic Bus	Martha Stewart Living	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Benny Hinn	Life in Word	Kenneth C. Robison	Mathis				
9	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Inside PGA			
10	Movie: Hope Floats	Movie: Carousell (1956)	Gordon MacRae, Shirley Jones	Movie: Merlin's Shop of Mystical Wonders 'NR'	Movie: Secret King								
11	Movie: Objective, Burma!	[10] Movie: A Far Off Place	Rense Witherspoon 'PG'	Movie: The Untouchables	Kevin Costner '*** R'	Movie: The Prisoner of Zenda (1937)							
12	Movie: The Sea Wolf (1941)	Edward G. Robinson '***	Movie: Little Caesar (1930) '***										
13	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Dukes of Hazard	Bloopers-Jokes	Cagney & Lacey	Aleene's Creative Living	Waltons						
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15	Northern Exposure	Night Court	Night Court	Murder, She Wrote	Magnum, P.I.	L.A. Law	Law & Order						
16	Attitudes	Next Door	Designing	Designing	Chicago Hope	Unsolved Mysteries	Lifetime Live	Movie: Baby					
17	Sports	Last Word	Sports	Last Word	Tearing Off	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Source			
18	CHiPs	Lois & Clark-Superman	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: Flowers in the Attic (1987)	Victoria Tennant 's'	Movie: Practical Magic	Sandra Bullock						
19	Gadget	Gadget	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Maisy	Franklin	Gullah	Busy World	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Franklin		
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4	Timon	Pooh	PB & J Otter	Out of Bx	Bear	Rolie Polie	Pooh	PB & J Otter	Out of Bx	Bear	Rolie Polie		
5	DiffWorld	DiffWorld	Little House	Little House on the Prairie	Mama	Mama	Meltock			Hunter			
6	Good Morning America			Live — Regis & Kathie Lee	The View			Brown	Brown	News			
7	Early Show			Dr. Joy Browne	Price is Right			Young and the Restless	News				
8	Magic Bus	Martha Stewart Living	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Benny Hinn	Life in Word	Kenneth C. Robison	Mathis				
9	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Sportcenter	Inside PGA			
10	(11:50) Movie: Breaking the Rules	Jason Bateman 'PG-13'	Movie: Street Fighter II: Animated	(14:5) Movie: Boys Will Be Boys	Randy Travis 'PG'	Movie: Crocodile Dundee II	Paul Hogan 's'	PG	Movie: Paternity	Burt Reynolds 's'	PG	Movie: The Bounty (1984)	Mal Gibson, Anthony Hopkins
11	Movie: A Woman's World (1976)	Carol Burnett	Movie: Sphere (1998)	Dustin Hoffman, Sharon Stone 'PG-13'	Movie: Ivanhoe (1952)	Robert Taylor '***'	Movie: This Land is Mine (1943)	Charles Laughton '***'	Movie: The Informer (1935) '***'				
12	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Dukes of Hazard	Bloopers-Jokes	Cagney & Lacey	Aleene's Creative Living	Waltons						
13	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Assignment Discovery	Home Matters	Design	Christopher Lowell	Home						
14	Northern Exposure	Night Court	Night Court	Murder, She Wrote	Magnum, P.I.	L.A. Law	Law & Order						
15	Attitudes	Next Door	Designing	Designing	Chicago Hope	Unsolved Mysteries	Lifetime Live	Movie: Baby					
16	Sports	Last Word	Sports	Last Word	Tearing Off	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Source			
17	CHiPs	Lois & Clark-Superman	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: Pet Shop (1994)	Terry Kiser, Leigh Ann O'Ri. 's'	Movie: Ace Ventura	Ace Ventura	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Maisy	Franklin		
18	Gadget	Gadget	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Maisy	Franklin	Gullah	Busy World	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Franklin		
19	Videos	Videos	Almost	Something	Mad-Stacky	Fired Up	Wings	Wings	PGA Golf: The Players Championship				
20	(8:00) Despierta America			Mate	Girasoles Para Lucia	Cosas del Amor	Inferno-Par						
21	Year by Year	Real West	In Search Of	In Search Of	FBI-Story	Crimes	Weapons at War	War Crimes					
22	Sharks	Monkeys	Incredible Hulk	Sightings	DarkShad	DarkShad	Highlander: The Series	Twilight Z					
23	Malibu, CA	Parent	Wayans	Cosby Show	Knight Rider	Matlock	Hawaii Five-0	News					



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 4 Went fast  
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3-23 CRYPTOQUOTE

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president of Plains Insurance Agency. He is completing his fourth full term. He was appointed to the commission in 1991.

Winget is manager of Winget Pump. He is completing his fourth full term. He was appointed to the commission in 1990.

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Two incumbents are seeking new terms on the HISD board. Lloyd Ames is seeking re-election to the District 6 seat he has held for one term, while Mark Landrum is seeking his second term as District 3 trustee.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT

The four seats on the hospital district board are all at-large and are now held by Mark Collier, Dean Crofford, Jesse Rincones and Karen Solomon.

While Collier, Crofford and Solomon are completing full terms, Rincones is filling out the unexpired term of Jeremy Grant. Grant resigned last fall.

Collier has been a director since 1996; Crofford, since 1994; and Solomon since 1997. Solomon was appointed to complete an unexpired term, then won a full term in 1998.

Candidates for seats on the hospital district board must submit a petition with 25 signatures of registered county voters by 5 p.m. April 6.

Petitions are available in the Hereford Regional Medical Center administration office during regular office hours. Completed petitions must be authenticated as signed by registered voters by the candidate in the County Clerk's Office before being submitted to HRMC administrative assistant Carolan Garza.

The deadline to register to vote in these elections is April 6. Voters who want to vote by mail-in ballot must apply by April 28.

Early voting in-person will be April 19-May 2.

Jobless claims edge up

WASHINGTON (AP) - The number of Americans filing new claims for unemployment benefits edged up last week but still hovered in a range suggesting that businesses are scrambling to find workers.

The Labor Department said today that 266,000 Americans filed new claims for jobless benefits for the week ending March 18, up by 4,000 from the previous week. That was the highest since March 4, when claims were at 281,000.

The rise in last week's claims, which followed a sharp decline, was smaller than many analysts were expecting. They were predicting claims would rise to 270,000.

The more stable four-week moving average of claims, which smooths out week-to-week volatility, last week fell slightly to 271,000, the lowest level since Dec. 15, 1973, when such claims were at 256,750.

Pope hopes to aid heal religious rifts

JERUSALEM - Blessing the Jewish state, Pope John Paul II said today he hoped to help heal the deep wounds between Christians and Jews during his "pilgrimage of hope" to the Holy Land.

The pontiff made the remarks in a meeting with Israeli President Ezer Weizman, a highly symbolic encounter many Israelis felt bestowed final church recognition on Israel. For years, the Catholic Church had taught that Jews were to blame for Jesus' death and that their punishment was exile.

Later today, the pontiff was to visit Israel's Holocaust memorial, where many hoped he would address the church's public silence during the Nazi genocide in which 6 million Jews perished.

John Paul's Yad Vashem speech was seen as the crowning chapter of efforts to reconcile Jews and Christians. In his 22-year papacy, he became the first pope to visit the Nazi death camp of Auschwitz and attend services at a synagogue.

In another show of recognition, the pontiff met today with Israel's two chief rabbis, Elyahu Bakshi-Doron and Israel Meir Lau, at their offices in west Jerusalem. The white-clad pontiff, clutching a cane, walked slowly into a private meeting room, flanked by the two black-robed and bearded rabbis.

At the end of the 15-minute meeting, John Paul was presented with a Bible with the dedication from the Prophet Micah: "For let all the people walk, every one in the name of his God, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God, for ever and ever," create more wealth."

Locks snapped up by gun owners across U.S.

EASTON, Conn. - Marilyn Davies has found two good reasons to get locks for her 10 guns - her grandchildren.

"You try to reinforce, reinforce, reinforce, but there might be that one time they might pick it up," said Davies, who cares for the children in her home during the week.

Davies and her husband were among the first in Easton to pick up free gun locks offered this week by a gun industry group.

During the last six months, the National Shooting Sports Foundation has given away 50,000 locks across the country. Another 111 communities are to begin distributing locks this summer.

Sheriffs have been unable to keep up with demand in Augusta, Ga., where 5,000 locks have been given out since November.

"We ran out last weekend," said Mark Gibbons, an assistant to Mayor Bob Young.

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