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Today's weather OUTLOOK

• Partly cloudy skies •

Tonight: Partly cloudy, lows around 59, east winds 10 to 20 mph, becoming south.
Friday: Partly cloudy, highs around 89, south winds 10 to 20 mph.

Friday night: Partly cloudy, lows around 61.

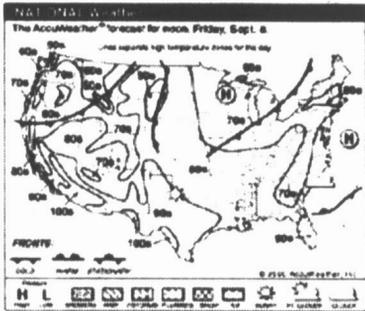
• Extended forecast •

Saturday: Partly cloudy, highs 90 to 95.
Sunday: Partly cloudy, lows 59 to 64, highs 89 to 94.

Monday: Partly cloudy, lows 60 to 65, highs 90 to 95.

• Hereford weather •

Wednesday's high, 101; low, 70; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.



The forecast for Friday shows it will be dry and warm in the Northeast and mid-Atlantic states. Unsettled weather will continue in the Deep South and Gulf Coast, with the Plains being warm and dry. Showers are likely over the Pacific Northwest, while thunderstorms are expected in the higher elevations of Colorado and New Mexico.

• Cool front moves through the state

A cold front moved through the state Wednesday, bringing cooler temperatures and speculation that the majority of Texas has seen an end to a long streak of triple-digit heat.

High temperatures in East and North Texas were in the lower 90s and upper 80s, while West Texas temperatures were still hitting the century mark. Wednesday's high was 105 degrees in Dryden.

The cold front should cool off temperatures in West Texas for the rest of the week as it pushes through.

Parts of South Texas are still recording temperatures in the upper 90s and 100s, but should also get a reprieve Thursday.

A disturbance in the Gulf of Mexico will bring welcome relief to parched land as it moves inland today.

The system is expected to bring thunderstorms and showers to South and East Texas — even as far north as Dallas/Fort Worth.

Cloudy skies were reported in parts of Texas, but no measurable precipitation was recorded.

Art show, gala set at P-PHM

Special to The Brand

CANYON — "Canyon Rhythms," an art show, gala and auction, will feature original art from Southwest artists amid the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum's regional artifacts. The event, which will be Saturday and Sunday, will benefit the museum.

Artists attending the event are Phil Poirier, San Cristobal, N.M.; Daryl Howard, Austin; Lila Hahn, Yuma, Colo.; Jared Davis, Crawford, Colo.; Doug Ricketts, Higgins, Texas; B.J. Briner, Arroyo Seco, N.M.; Doyle Goebel and Curtis Nazworth, Amarillo; Michael Untiedt, Denver, Colo.; Melanie Fain, Boerne; Alix Christian, Amarillo; and Michael Obrankovich, Dallas. The artists will bring works from their respective art forms, which includes furniture, glass, pottery, batik, painting, sculpture and jewelry.

The "Canyon Rhythms" Gala will be 7-10 p.m. Saturday and will feature the artists and their work. Gala guests will have a chance to meet each artist while cocktails and hors d'oeuvres are being served, and later purchase artwork in the auction. Hugo Lowenstern will be on hand to play big band music for guests to listen to in the moonlight of the windowed oil derrick room.

Individual tickets for the evening are \$40

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Jobless claims edge lower

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of Americans filing new claims for unemployment benefits edged down last week to the lowest point since mid-August.

The Labor Department reported Thursday that a seasonally adjusted 316,000 workers filed new applications for jobless benefits for the week ending Sept. 2, down by 3,000. That was the lowest since Aug. 12, when claims were at 314,000. The decrease was in line with many analysts' expectations.

Even with the decline, last week was the fourth in a row in which applications were hovering above the 300,000 mark, a sign that the hot labor market is cooling a bit.

The nation's labor market remains tight, meaning employers are having trouble finding qualified workers to fill openings, economists

say. The more stable four-week moving average of claims, which smoothes out week-to-week volatility, rose last week to 317,500. That was the highest since Jan. 23, 1999, when claims were at 329,000.

The Federal Reserve has boosted interest rates six times since June 1999 to slow the economy and keep inflation under control.

Last week the government reported the nation's unemployment rate edged up to 4.1 percent in August and U.S. businesses added only 17,000 new jobs during the month.

Economists viewed that as further proof that the Fed's rate increases are working. A growing number of analysts believe the central bank will keep interest rates unchanged for the rest of this year.

Thursday's report also said that in the work week ending Aug. 26, 31 states and territories reported decreases in new jobless claims, while 21 reported increases. The state data lag a week behind the national figures.

The state with the biggest decrease was North Carolina, down 8,333. Officials attributed the decline to fewer layoffs in the transportation equipment industry.

Other states with declines were: Massachusetts, down 3,701; Georgia, 1,607; New Jersey, 721; and California, 653.

Ohio had the biggest increase, 2,175. Officials blamed the increase on layoffs in various industries scattered throughout the state.

Other states with increases were: South Carolina, 982; West Virginia, 968; Virginia, 774; and Missouri, 394.

BUS STOP



BRAND/Danna F. Dandridge

Morning chatter — With the school year in high gear, a common sight around town is students waiting for the bus. Motorists along Lee Avenue frequently see this same bunch of kids waiting for their ride to school. Jessica Ramirez, Brittany Gavina, Danielle Zuniga and Raquel Zuniga alternate between last-minute studies and episodes of girl talk, while Javier Ramirez swings round the stop sign pole.

HEDC Board hears prospect's presentation

A manufacturing prospect made a presentation to the Hereford Economic Development Corp. board during an executive session Wednesday, but the directors took no action.

HEDC Executive Director Don Cumpton said this morning, the company is considering locating in Hereford and is seeking some financial assistance.

Although the HEDC board made no decision on a financial package, Cumpton said he will continue to meet with company officials to see if an agreement can be developed.

Cumpton said the directors also heard a presentation from the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc., which is considering opening an office in Hereford.

"We'll continue to assist in finding an office," Cumpton said, adding he doesn't expect the foundation to open an office in Hereford until the spring. If a local office is opened, he said it should be staffed with four full-time and more than 30 seasonal employees.

In other business, the board selected Hereford State Bank as the depository for HEDC funds and tabled a discussion on financial incentives for a business prospect.



Don Cumpton

60 fires burning across the state

SABINE PASS (AP) — The largest fire of the more than 60 burning Wednesday in Texas was nearly under control, but not until it had charred 12,000 acres of wilderness in the state's southeasternmost corner.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reported that the blaze in the McFaddin National Wildlife Refuge, a marshland area near the Gulf Coast city of Port Arthur, was almost fully contained.

"There is still some burning in the interior, but we have fire lines around 95 percent of it," agency spokesman Dean Ross said.

Firefighters were having less success near Newton, a lumber city about 60 miles north along the Louisiana border.

About 30 homes near Newton were evacuated and two were destroyed by fire Wednesday morning, Texas Forest Service spokesman Gordon Gay said.

"It is heading toward populated areas including the town of Newton, but we aren't sure how close it is yet," he said.

Reconnaissance teams were en route to the area Wednesday, and four helicopters and an air tanker were headed in to drop fire retardant chemicals, Gay said. Two bulldozer crews and two hand crews were also being flown to the fire, he said.

"It was just running so fast we couldn't stop it," Gay said. "With the high temperatures, dry weather, and the fuel available, there was nothing we could do."

Illustrating a problem faced by firefighters statewide, the Newton blaze had been nearly contained Tuesday when it leapt out of control again. The dry, windy conditions have made re-ignition a confounding and dangerous difficulty.

About 70 active fires Wednesday had burned over approximately 10,000 acres of Texas, forest service officials said.

Firefighters from states throughout the southeast are battling the fires, and several communities were asking for outside aid, Gay said.

A fire about 30 miles northwest of Austin in

Burnet County that blazed out of control across 5,000 acres of brushy ranchland was 100 percent contained by Wednesday evening, forest service spokeswoman Mary Kay Hicks said.

A fire near Kerrville, about 60 miles northwest of San Antonio, was controlled Tuesday but blazed out of control Wednesday, Benton said. The fire covered about 1,200 acres Wednesday and threatened to grow.

Benton said the 250 people evacuated from their Kerrville-area homes Tuesday had not yet been allowed to return Wednesday.

Several fires caused problems in far southeast Texas:

• A fire that started Wednesday morning was out of control and had consumed more than 200 acres near Spurger, about 50 miles north of Beaumont.

• A blaze of unknown size was raging near Vidor, between Beaumont and Orange.

• A 500-acre blaze near Jasper was contained Wednesday.

VETO: House GOP leaders concede they don't have votes to override Clinton's rejection of estate tax repeal

WASHINGTON (AP) — If they fail to override President Clinton's veto of a bill repealing estate taxes, House Republicans want to make sure the vote makes Democrats uncomfortable and underscores for voters the GOP commitment to tax cuts.

While the House was scheduled to hold the override vote today, GOP leaders all but conceded it was unlikely they would get the necessary two-thirds vote.

"We're hopeful we can get very close," said Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma, the fourth-ranking House Republican leader.

In a 279-136 vote in June, 65 Democrats and one independent joined all 213 Republi-

cans voting as the House agreed to phase out inheritance taxes at a cost of \$105 billion over 10 years.

While the margin was just over the two-thirds margin needed to override a veto, Democratic leaders say 11 of their members who missed the vote support Clinton's action and that at least 10 more would be persuaded to switch sides.

"I think we'll sustain the veto," Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers told reporters, adding that the Clinton administration was working with House Democrats to shore up support.

Even if the House did vote to override the

veto, a two-thirds Senate margin also would be required and the 59-39 Senate vote to pass the bill in July was eight short of that threshold.

Although the first \$675,000 of an estate is exempt from tax and only about 2 percent of estates are affected each year, repealing the tax has grown in popularity on Capitol Hill. One reason is a forceful lobbying campaign led by the National Association of Manufacturers, American Farm Bureau Federation and National Federation of Independent Business. The groups contend the tax is inherently unfair.

Dan Danner, a senior vice president at the

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HEREFORD BRAND

Local roundup

• **Recycling day under way** •

Hereford Beautification Alliance in conjunction with Community Christian School will hold its monthly recycling day 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the St. Anthony's Church parking lot. HBA also will hold its annual membership meeting at 7 p.m. Sept. 9 at the Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C. Hamburgers will be served and everyone in the community who is interested is invited to attend.

• **St. Anthony's PTO fund raiser** •

The annual St. Anthony's PTO Spice/Gift/Wrap Sale will continue through Wednesday. The funds raised will assist in the continued "Education That Lasts an Eternity."

Orders may be placed by contacting a St. Anthony's student or coming by the school office.

For more information, contact Donna Kemp, 364-7620, or Kim Leonard, 364-8760.

• **Low cost vaccination clinic** •

The Humane Society of Deaf Smith County is sponsoring the fall low cost pet vaccination clinic 1-5 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 17, in the courtyard of the Hereford Community Center. Sponsors underestimated the number of participants for the summer clinic, but will have more vaccine at this session.

Canine vaccinations will be \$6 for rabies; \$12 parvo/distemper and \$15 combinations.

Feline vaccinations will be \$6 rabies; \$20 distemper/feline leukemia; \$22 for combinations.

Proceeds will go to the Humane Society of Deaf Smith County.

• **Pork checkoff election scheduled** •

The United States Department of Agriculture and the local Farm Service Agency have announced final procedures and dates for the upcoming referendum on continuation of the pork checkoff program.

The final referendum rules provide for in-person voting Sept. 18-21, at the Deaf Smith County FSA office.

Producers who have owned and sold one or more pigs or hogs from Aug. 18, 1999 through Aug. 17, 2000, are eligible to vote.

• **GED program changes** •

A high school diploma or a General Education Development diploma is the first step toward entering the working world, but educational changes in the nation's high schools have prompted the creation of an updated version of the GED.

This new version will be offered beginning January 2002, and educators suggest anyone who has begun studying or preparing should plan to take the tests before the changes are in effect. The current version of the tests will be offered until December 2001.

The GED has five tests covering reading, writing, math, science and social studies and is designed to be equivalent to a high school diploma. The 2002 tests will have more work related objectives and more writing in all sections of the tests.

The implementation of the new tests might seem far off, but GED applicants can use the time to enroll in classes and prepare to take the tests before the change.

GED classes are offered at the library from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. five days a week and on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6-9 p.m. If participants have not passed all the sections before 2002, they will have to start over again with the new test. Now is the time to start or complete your GED.

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News digest

• **Houston's smog outpaces LA** •

HOUSTON — A series of sweltering days and soaring ozone levels has pushed Houston ahead of Los Angeles for the title of the nation's smoggiest city, just as southern California's smog season could be winding down.

Houston recorded its ninth consecutive day with an ozone reading above the national health standard Wednesday, giving the city a three-day edge of unhealthy ozone readings over its California rival, the Houston Chronicle reported in Thursday's editions.

As of Wednesday, the most recent available date for comparisons, Houston posted 37 days in the year 2000 when air exceeded the national health-based limit for ozone, compared with 34 for Los Angeles.

A potent high pressure ridge over Texas, which pushed Houston to its all-time high and then over it in the past week, is to blame.

"High pressure dictates stagnant air. You have no clouds and no wind," said Steve Allen, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Houston.

• **Elsewhere** •

PRISONER RECIDIVISM: The rate of recidivism among inmates released from Texas prison is at its lowest level in a decade, a new state report shows. The report by the state Criminal Justice Policy Council tracks the proportion of offenders incarcerated one, two and three years after release from prison. ... **UT SICKOUT:** Hundreds of non-teaching employees at the University of Texas at Austin stayed home Wednesday for an anticipated three-day sickout. They are trying to make a statement for better wages and benefits.

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CROW'S NEST



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Bird's-eye view — New Hereford High School Band Director Gary Owens, right, and his assistant B.J. Brooks chose a higher perch to oversee the Mighty Maroon Band's progress Wednesday evening during band practice. The band will make its season debut at Amarillo's Dick Bivins Stadium Friday night when the Hereford Whitefaces meet Amarillo Tascosa in the Herd's Y2K season opener.

Bush appeals FEMA's denial

MORE FUEL FOR THE FIRES

■ **Federal agency rejects governor's funding request for aid in fighting Texas wildfires**

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush has appealed the denial of his request for emergency federal funds for assistance to fight wildfires, the Division of Emergency Management said Wednesday. The appeal was forwarded through the Federal Emergency Management Agency to President Bill Clinton, the division said.

In denying the state's request on Aug. 25, FEMA said Texas had not experienced sufficient losses.

However, the wildfires now pose a greater threat than

they have in previous years when the federal government granted emergency declarations, Bush said in a statement.

"The strategy of the state

of Texas, which has been consistently supported by the federal government, has been to meet a threat before there was loss of life and property," Bush said.

A dozen state agencies are assisting the Texas Forest Service to help fight wildfires.

About 70 active fires Wednesday had burned over approximately 10,000 acres of Texas, forest service officials said.

Since July 16th, about 1,575 homes have been threatened, with 27 lost, the division said. The Forest Service estimates that 29,000 fires have burned about 550,000 acres of grass, brush and forest across the state this year.

Bush asked for FEMA's help on July 27, saying that

195 counties were "threatened by high or extreme fire hazard. This threat was caused by drought across the state." The same day, Bush declared a state of disaster in those same counties.

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Texas lottery

Lotto Texas

No tickets 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 \$46 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were:

20-29-38-40-44-48

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$57 million.

Pick 3

6-5-5

HEREFORD BRAND
Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency service agencies for September 6, 2000, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

— A 35-year-old male was arrested in the 400 block

of Ave. H and charged with outstanding county warrants.

Incidents

— An attempted burglary was reported in the 600 block of Main St. No entry was gained, but doors at the business had been pried on.

— A 14-year-old male was issued numerous traffic citations in the 800 block of north Main St.

— A theft valued at more than \$50 was reported in the 200 block of Ave. J.

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National Honey Month offers sweet opportunities



Honey Beehive Bread is a hollow dome of braided bread that towers up to eight inches.

How sweet it is! September is National Honey Month, and a perfect time to marvel at the making of honey and great taste.

While bees must travel as far as 55,000 miles and visit more than two million flowers to gather enough nectar to make a pound of honey, you may only need to travel as far as your kitchen for the honey needed to make Honey Beehive Bread.

Baked with a half cup of honey and glazed in honey butter, Honey Beehive Bread is a hollow dome of braided bread that towers up to eight inches or taller. This bread is not just a centerpiece—it's a conversation starter.

The recipe has been developed using Fleischmann's RapidRise Yeast, which can cut rising time in half. Certified by Fleischmann's Yeast Test Kitchens, this honey-laced bread has what it takes to become a family favorite and help bakers bask in the sweet smell of success.

The Fleischmann's Yeast toll-free helpline at 1-800-777-4959 can be a honey of a baking resource. The URL www.breadworld.com offers hints and recipes for both the

oven and the bread machine. For more information on honey, visit www.honey.com.

Honey Beehive Bread

Makes 1 large beehive

6-2/3 to 7 cups all-purpose flour
2 envelopes Fleischmann's RapidRise Yeast
1-1/2 teaspoons salt
1-1/4 cups water
1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup butter or margarine
2 eggs, large
Egg Glaze (recipe follows)
Honey Butter (recipe follows)

In a large bowl, combine 2 cups flour, undissolved yeast, and salt. Heat water, honey, and butter until very warm (120 to 130F). Gradually add to dry ingredients. Beat 2 minutes at medium speed of electric mixer, scraping bowl occasionally.

Add eggs and 1 cup flour; beat 2 minutes at high speed. Stir in enough remaining flour to make a soft dough. Knead on lightly floured surface until smooth and elastic, about 8 to 10 minutes. Cover; let rest 10 minutes.

Divide dough into 20 equal pieces; roll each piece to 20-inch ropes. Twist 2 ropes

together; pinch ends to seal. Repeat with remaining ropes. Invert a 2-1/2-quart oven-proof mixing bowl onto a greased baking sheet. Heavily grease the outside of bowl. Starting at rim of bowl, wrap twists around bowl, pinching ends to join each new twist. Continue wrapping twists until entire bowl is covered.

Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until puffy, about 30 minutes. Brush dough with Egg Glaze. Bake at 375F for 25 to 30 minutes or until done. Shield with foil if necessary, to prevent excessive browning. Remove from oven; let cool on bowl for 15 minutes. Crumple a large piece of foil, about 2 to 3 feet, into a loose ball with the same diameter and depth of bowl. Place ball on wire rack. Carefully remove hive from bowl; place over ball to complete cooling. Serve with Honey Butter.

Egg Glaze: In a small bowl, combine 1 egg, large and 1 tablespoon water. Stir until well blended.

Honey Butter: In a bowl, combine 1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened; 2 tablespoons honey; and 1 teaspoon freshly grated lemon peel. Stir until well blended.

CREATORS SYNDICATE

Ann Landers



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I just read the letter from "Nameless," the man whose wife of seven months does not want to have sex.

Having lived with the same situation for 30 years, I would recommend a competent therapist who will ask her if she experienced any sexual abuse when she was a child.

Nothing will destroy a woman's sex drive more completely than some moron having used her for his own pleasure when she was growing up. The numbers of women who have been sexually abused is astounding. It is a hideous crime that affects not only the victim, but also their families later in life. That may not be your correspondent's problem, but it sounds like a strong possibility.

My wife feels she has lived a lie all these years because of her efforts to hide the shame and humiliation caused by being sexually molested as a child. She appeared to be a strong and confident person, but in reality, she was always unsure of herself. In the back of her mind there lurked the question, "I wonder if he or she knows about my dark past?"

Tell "Nameless" he needs to help his wife with whatever

may be causing her to feel the way she does. It won't be easy, but it will be worth the effort. He may be the only one she can trust with that secret. -- Been There in Idaho

Dear Idaho: Your letter will be extremely helpful to those who have been sexually abused and are too ashamed to talk about it. These victims need to know they have no reason to feel sullied, and if they have not had counseling, they should get it. It matters not how many years ago the abuse took place, the memory is always there and needs to be dealt with. If you see yourself in today's column, please, get counseling, and rid yourself of this ongoing nightmare.

Dear Ann Landers: My mother is 81 years old, and lives alone in Florida. Even though she suffers from asthma and emphysema, she gets around fairly well, still drives her car, and has a nice social life.

I worry about Mom, and so I have given her a cell phone for her car and a medical-alert pendant in case she should have an emergency in her home. She knows how to use both of these items, but refuses to do so. She leaves the pendant on the kitchen table and won't carry the cell phone because, she says, "Nothing will happen to me."

I am worried sick that Mom will have an asthma attack in the car or fall down in the house. I have tried everything

I can think of to get her to use these items, but have had no success whatsoever. She reads your column every day, Ann. Please tell her to take her safety seriously. She will listen to you. -- Artie from Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Artie: You cannot force your mother to be more cautious. She obviously does not wish to be reminded of her fragility. I suggest that you put the cell phone in the glove compartment of her car and let her know it's there for emergencies. Check periodically to make certain it is fully charged. Put the medical-alert pendant in the bathroom. (If it's waterproof, leave it on a low shelf in the shower area.) This is the best you can do right now. Let's hope it's enough.

Dear Ann Landers: My 17-year-old son has had a problem since he was a toddler. His hands sweat 24 hours a day, summer and winter. I thought the condition would get better as he grew older, but it has not. I cannot find a doctor who knows how to treat

this problem. I remember you once printed something about it. Can you help? -- Shreveport, La., Mom

Dear Mom: The "condition" is called hyperhidrosis. Drysol, a prescription drug available through your doctor or a dermatologist, should do it. If this doesn't work, surgery may be an option.

That first kiss, that first embrace ... Remember all those things that brought you and your loved one together? Ann Landers' new booklet, "How We Met," is now available. This collection of sentimental love stories will make a terrific gift for that special someone. For a copy, please send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.50 (this includes postage and handling) to: How We Met, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, IL 60611-0562 (in Canada, \$6.50).

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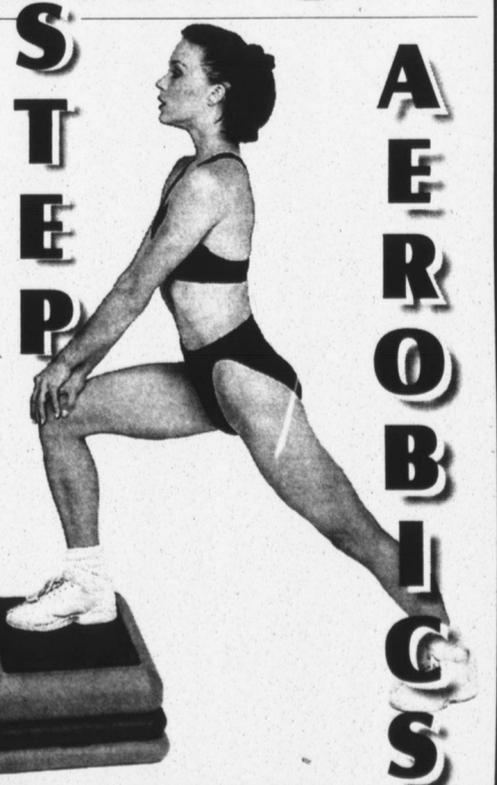
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Park Facility Reservations

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7-13, 2000

AQUATIC PAVILION Friday, September 8, 11:00-1:00 Steve Hodges	VETERAN'S PAVILION Saturday, September 9, 4:00-9:00 Bernice Davalos
AQUATIC PAVILION Saturday, September 9, 10:00-1:00 Kidfish	NW CORNER DAMERON PARK W/V-BALL Saturday, September 9, 3:00-5:00 Miranda Nava
NW CORNER DAMERON PARK W/V-BALL Saturday, September 9, 6:30-11:00 Jan Wilks	NW CORNER DAMERON PARK W/V-BALL Sunday, September 10, 12:00-3:00 Immanuel Lutheran Church
AQUATIC PAVILION Monday, September 11, 6:30-8:30 Key Club	



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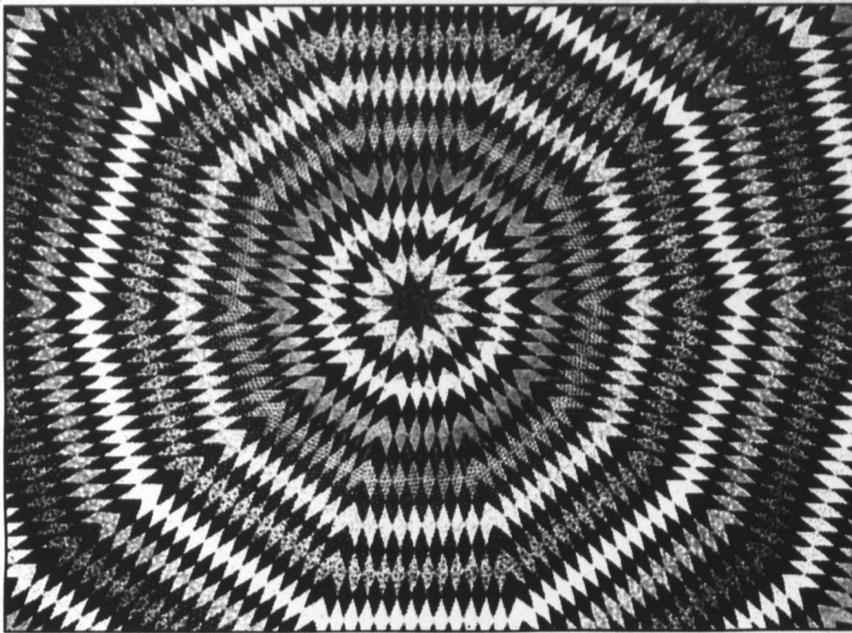
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Quiltfest 2000 will be held Sept. 30-Oct. 1 in Pampa, sponsored by the Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild. A large number of quilts will be displayed in the judged quilt show and there will be a large merchant area.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Area Events

CANYON

Guy Condon will be the main speaker for the Canyon Pregnancy Center's annual fund-raising banquet at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 19 in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church of Canyon, 1818 Fourth Ave.

Condon is president of Care Net, the nation's largest Christian outreach of crisis pregnancy centers. He is currently advancing a national Campaign of Compassion and has served as a leader in the pro-life movement for more than 15 years.

Music for the evening will be presented by Michele Lee Gibbons, a singer and composer from Fort Worth.

There is no cost to attend the banquet; however, reservations

are required and can be made by calling 655-4673 by Sept. 18.

AMARILLO

The Miss Amarillo Area Scholarship Organization is searching for the next Miss Amarillo Area. The pageant is open to girls 17-24 who have never been married and are interested in scholarships.

Orientation is Sept. 10. The pageant is Nov. 4 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

The four phases of competition are interview, talent, evening gown and physical fitness in swimwear.

The Miss Amarillo Area Organization gave more than \$20,000 in cash and in-kind scholarships last year.

They are also taking applications for the Mrs. and Junior

pageants which will be Sept. 17 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

For more information, call Patti Stapp at 359-6690 or 353-3937.

PAMPA

Quiltfest 2000, sponsored by the Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild of Pampa, will be Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium, 1000 N. Sumner St. in Pampa.

Show hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30 and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1.

There will be a judged quilt show, door prizes, a quilt raffle and a large merchant area.

Admission is \$3 and is good for both days.

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Nazi Germany began WWII 'blitz' on London on this date

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Sept. 7, the 251st day of 2000. There are 115 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 7, 1940, Nazi Germany began its initial "blitz" on London during World War II.

On this date:

In 1825, the Marquis de Lafayette, the French hero of the American Revolution, bade farewell to President John Quincy Adams at the White House.

In 1901, the Peace of Beijing ended the Boxer Rebellion in China.

In 1936, rock legend Buddy Holly was born Charles Hardin Holley in Lubbock, Texas.

In 1963, the National Professional Football Hall of Fame was dedicated in Canton, Ohio.

In 1969, Senate Republican leader Everett M. Dirksen died in Washington D.C.

In 1977, the Panama Canal treaties, calling for the United States to eventually turn over control of the waterway to Panama, were signed in Washington.

In 1977, convicted Watergate conspirator G. Gordon Liddy was released from prison after more than four years.

In 1979, the Entertainment

and Sports Programming Network (ESPN) made its cable TV debut.

In 1986, Desmond Tutu was installed as the first black to lead the Anglican Church in southern Africa.

In 1998, St. Louis Cardinal Mark McGwire equaled Roger Maris' single-season home run record as he hit No. 61 during a game against the Chicago Cubs.

Ten years ago: President Bush left for his one-day Finland summit with Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev. Kimberly Bergalis of Fort Pierce, Fla., came forward to identify herself as the young woman who had been infected with AIDS, apparently by her late dentist. (Bergalis died the following year.)

Five years ago: After 27 years in the Senate, Bob Packwood (R-Ore.) announced he would resign, heading off a vote by colleagues to expel him for allegations of sexual and official misconduct. The space shuttle Endeavour thundered into orbit with five astronauts on a mission to release and recapture a pair of science satellites.

One year ago: Indonesia imposed martial law in East Timor, promising to crack down on rampaging pro-Indo-

nesian militias after the territory's vote for independence. An earthquake in Athens, Greece, claimed 143 lives. It was announced that Viacom Inc. was buying CBS Corp. for \$36 billion — the richest media merger in history.

Today's Birthdays: Heart surgeon Dr. Michael DeBakey is 92. Producer-director Elia Kazan is 91. Pianist Arthur Ferrante is 79. Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) is 76. Jazz musician Sonny Rollins is 70. Blues singer Little Milton is 66. Actor John Philip Law is 63. Singer Alfa Anderson (Chic) is 54. Singer Gloria Gaynor is 51. Rock singer Chrissie Hynde (The Pretenders) is 49. Actress Julie Kavner is 49. Actor Corbin Bernsen is 46. Rock musician Benmont Tench (Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers) is 46. Pianist Michael Feinstein is 44. Singer Margot Chapman is 43. Actor Tom Everett Scott is 30. Rock musician Chad Sexton (311) is 30. Actor Devon Sawa is 22.

Thought for Today: "My definition of an educated man is the fellow who knows the right thing to do at the time it has to be done. ... You can be sincere and still be stupid." — Charles F. Kettering, American inventor (1876-1958).

District president makes visit to meeting of VFW Auxiliary

Dee Branch of Amarillo, District Nine president of the VFW Auxiliary, made her official visit to the Ladies Auxiliary to Roy Wederbrook Post 4818 in August.

She reminded members of the coming District Convention in Dimmitt. At the convention, old

standing rules were deleted and new standing rules were adopted. Laura Smith presided at the meeting which was preceded by a salad supper.

Members present were Mildred Clements, Becky Curtis, Pixie Forbus, Marie Goheen,

Essie Martin, Erma Murphey, Terrye Rhyne, Edith Richardson, Laura Smith, Jessica Smith, Anita Vardell, Iva Boydston and Ida Davis.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the next meeting will be Sept. 11 and will be preceded by a fried chicken dinner.

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'Texans' debut in Houston

■ NFL's 32nd franchise gets a new name from owner Bob McNair

HOUSTON (AP) — They can no longer be called the Houston Whatchamacallits, Whozits or the Whatevers.

Owner Bob McNair revealed a not-too-well-kept secret Wednesday in announcing the nickname of the NFL's 32nd franchise will be the Texans, winning out over the Stallions and Apollos.

"Are you ready for some football?" McNair shouted to a downtown crowd estimated at 16,000 who turned out to learn the team's name, logo and colors.

The colors will be battle red, steel blue and liberty white with the bull head shaped logo that included a Texas lone star for the team that will begin play in 2002.

"We're so excited about the return of the NFL to Hous-

ton," McNair said. "We don't want to be stereotyped as cowboys. We are proud of our past but we don't want to be bound by it."

Looking out over a stretch of downtown Texas Avenue that was turned into a football field, complete with goalposts, NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue revealed the team name and logo on a large screen.

"With teamwork you can achieve the impossible," Tagliabue said. "Not many years ago, you thought 'it's not going to happen,' but it did happen and you can be proud of yourselves. You made it happen."

McNair paid \$700 million for the franchise in a lengthy battle with Los Angeles, a favored place for the NFL because of the size of its media market. But Los Angeles never presented a unified plan and McNair won the team.

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GETTING AN EXTRA YARD



Ramming ahead—Hereford senior tailback Ramiro Zambrano works for an extra yard or two in last week's scrimmage against Lubbock Estacado. The Whitefaces take on Tascosa tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

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Sheldon Rangers' ultimate utility man

■ Infielder becomes only third player to play every position in a single game.

CHICAGO (AP) — Scott Sheldon couldn't believe it when he saw Texas Rangers catcher Randy Knorr shake his head, signaling Sheldon to pretend he was brushing off a sign.

What was Knorr thinking? They didn't have any signs. Heck, Sheldon barely had any pitches! He's a utility infielder. The closest he'd ever gotten to pitching before was an inning or two in the annual University of Houston alumni game.

So Sheldon just threw the

ball, his almost-slow-motion changeup good enough for a strikeout. Then he moved to third base — and into baseball's record books.

Sheldon, who'd played only nine games in the majors before this season, became the third player in baseball history to play all nine positions Wednesday night. It was the only highlight for the Rangers in a 13-1 drubbing by the Chicago White Sox.

"I had a blast," Sheldon said. "It went by so fast, but there

are so many memories I'll take from this."

Bert Campaneris (Sept. 8, 1965) and Cesar Tovar (Sept. 22, 1968) are baseball's only other true utility players.

Frank Thomas hit his AL-leading 41st home run, tying his career high. Magglio Ordonez also homered as the White Sox scored seven runs in the first inning, sending Rick Helling (14-11) to the shortest start of his career.

Helling gave up a whopping seven runs and five hits in

just 2/3 of an inning. He walked three and threw 41 pitches.

Charles Johnson and Greg Norton also homered for the White Sox, who maintained their 6-1/2-game lead over the Cleveland Indians in the AL Central. Kip Wells (5-7), making his first start since being recalled from Triple-A Charlotte, gave up one unearned run and four hits in seven innings.

Mike Lamb drove in Texas' run with grounder in the third.

"After it got to be 10-1 ... I thought it was the perfect

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Texans

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The crowd that showed up on a steamy afternoon reacted positively to the new name. Several spectators grabbed their cell phones to spread the word. "Yeah, it's the Texans," one man shouted into his phone. Another fan, Chris Lockeridge, beamed beneath his hard-hat which bore a sign with the year 2002 and a question-mark attached.

"I rooted for the Oilers and now I'll be rooting for the Texans," Lockeridge said. "It doesn't matter what they're called. I'll root for them."

The team labeled the day "The Big Return," with the Texans replacing the Houston Oilers, who left for Tennessee after the 1996 season.

"We've developed a name and logo that fans throughout the area and around the country and world will embrace for years to come," McNair said. "It is a logo worthy of the name and the brand of football I expect our team to play."

"The name and logo embody the pride, strength, independence, courage and achievement that make the people of Houston and our area spe-

cial." Earlier, former NFL kicker Raul Allegre staged a kickoff in the Astrodome to former players from Texas Southern, University of Houston and Rice University to symbolically get the day of celebration started.

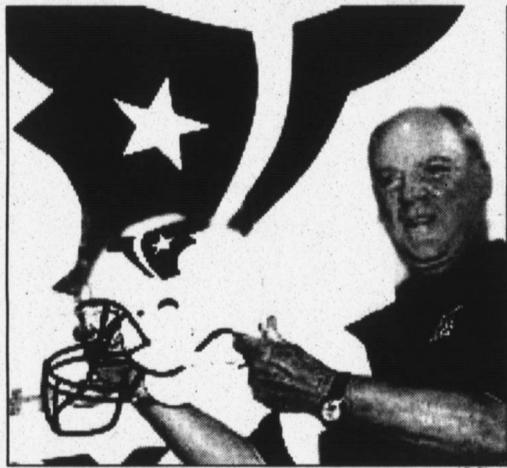
McNair said the footballs would be delivered to the mayors in Austin, San Antonio and Beaumont as part of the nickname announcement in those cities. Presentations to other cities were planned for Thursday. The Texans labeled the day "The Big Return," in another step in replacing the Houston Oilers, who left for Tennessee after the 1996 season. A 69,500-seat retractable roof stadium is under construction adjacent to the Astrodome that will house the new NFL team and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo beginning in 2002. McNair has even bigger plans for his new playpen. He is preparing a presentation to the NFL and expects not only to get the 2004 Super Bowl in Houston, but to become a part of the Super Bowl rotation.

Several former Oilers play-

ers and former coach Bum Phillips were present at the ceremony. University of Texas fans, noting the similarity of

the Texans' bull logo and their on Longhorn mascot, immediately started waving their "Hook 'em horns" hand signal.

Houston's new team



Team owner—Houston Texans owner Bob McNair sports his team logo and helmet.

Sheldon

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night to do it," Texas manager Johnny Oates said.

"It" was Sheldon playing all nine spots and giving new meaning to the term "utility player."

After playing eight positions in a spring training game — Sheldon didn't pitch — Oates decided he was going to give Sheldon a shot at the real thing during the regular season. He'd played every position in the infield at some point this season, and Oates thought next week's homestand might be a good time to go for all nine.

Instead, he called Sheldon over in the third inning and told him to go for it.

"He deserves it," Oates said. "For a guy that doesn't have a lot of major league service, he can say how many thousands of men have played professional baseball and only three have done it?"

"It's something to be proud of."

Sheldon entered the game at catcher in the fourth, and moved to first base in the fifth. His quest picked up speed in the sixth, when he played second and shortstop. He played right and center field in the seventh.

He began the eighth inning in left field, and then went to

the mound after the first out.

"I was ready to face their lefty. I went back and put the weight donut on the bat, turned around and Sheldon's out there," pinch-hitter Jeff Liefer said. "I said, 'Oh, man, I can only lose here, there's nothing to gain.'"

"We were aware he was moving, but it never crossed my mind he would pitch."

He did, and quite adequately, too. Of the five pitches he threw, three were strikes. He got Liefer to strike out swinging on a changeup that was clocked at a blistering 67 mph.

"Did we get an out? Thank you," Sheldon said, smiling, when someone made fun of his pitching. "I wasn't trying to throw hard. I was just trying to throw strikes and get out of there."

Sheldon said he was so nervous after striking out Liefer that he didn't even wait for Oates to make it to the mound. He just flipped the ball at the manager and ran to third, his ninth and final spot of the night.

"I think it's impressive," White Sox catcher Charles Johnson said. "I didn't really know it until I saw him come to the mound and went, 'Why did he come to the mound?' I

realized he was playing all nine positions. I think that's something we all wish we could do."

There was no announcement of Sheldon's feat, so few in the crowd even realized

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Veto

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small business group, said its 600,000 members "will keep a particularly close eye ... on those who desert their earlier support of death tax relief."

Next week, the House will decide whether to sustain the president's veto of the 10-year, \$292 billion marriage penalty tax cut, for which 53 House Democrats voted.

Clinton has said he would sign less costly versions of both bills as long as the tax relief is directed more toward middle-income people.

"We've made the point. We've issued the effort," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss. "Unfortunately, President Clinton continues to talk one way and do something else."

Summers said the administration maintains that the GOP approach of passing individual tax cuts that rely on projected budget surpluses makes it impossible to determine the cuts' overall impact on the economy and on priorities such as education, Social Security, Medicare and paying down the federal debt.

"We need to have a much clearer idea about where we're going before we're able to make judgments on individual tax pieces," Summers said.

There have been nine attempts by Congress to override a Clinton veto since Republicans took power in 1995. Four have won House approval and only two — on budget line-item vetoes and securities litigation reform — were overridden by the House and Senate as required.

Gala

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per person and may be purchased by calling the museum at 651-2244.

The art show and sale will take place will be noon-5 p.m. Saturday and 1-4 p.m. Sunday

Museum admission is free on Saturday and Sunday. Guests may view the museum's collection of Texas and Southwest art, including an exhibit featuring a retrospective of H. D. Bugbee's work, or take the kids to see the dinosaurs and experience the thrill of the Old West at the largest history museum in Texas.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

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'VOICES IN THE WIND' Storytelling festival starts Friday



Dee Cee Cornish of Houston will be among the storytellers featured at a weekend festival and workshop sponsored by a WTAMU group and Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

Special to The Brand CANYON — "Voices in the Wind," a storytelling festival and workshop, will bring storytellers from all over Texas and Oklahoma to Canyon.

The festival will be Friday and Saturday and is sponsored by Storytellers of the Plains, a newly formed storytelling guild; West Texas A&M University's Panhandle Storytelling Guild and Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

Sponsored by the Storytellers of the High Plains, a newly formed storytelling guild, WTAMU's Panhandle Storytelling Guild and Palo Duro State Park, the festival includes two evening concerts, a day of workshops at WTAMU's Kelley Student Center, and a Kidz Storytelling Konzert.

with a free storytelling workshop conducted by Connie Fisher of Sand Springs, Okla. The workshop will be 10 a.m.-noon in the Intimate Theatre in the WTAMU Fine Arts Building.

The Friday night concert will happen under the stars in Palo Duro Canyon, behind the Chuckwagon. Park officials have waived all entry fees for those attending the Friday night activity.

The featured storytellers include Waynetta Ausmus of Pottsboro, Texas; John Stansfield of Monument, Colo.; Dee Cee Cornish of Houston, Texas; and Donna Ingham of Spicewood, Texas.

Registration for Saturday's workshop sessions will be 8:30-10 a.m. in the commons area of the Kelley Student Center on the WTAMU campus.

Festival goers will have a choice of four morning workshops to attend, including "Heart and Soul: Healing Stories" by Karen Bray of Okla-

homa City; "Rhythm Makers and Tale Shakers" by Kathryn Thurman of Del City, Okla; "Kid Tellers, Tomorrow's Decision Makers" by Marvin Brown of Pottsboro, Texas; and "Resources for Texas Tales" by Ingham.

From 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., kids of all ages are invited to come to the Quiet Lounge at the student center for a special Kidz Konzert featuring Tyler Crump, Trey Crump and Wesley Crump, all of Clarendon, as well as professional tellers Stansfield and Tendem Tellers Bray and Thurman.

Afternoon workshops will be 2-4:30 p.m. and will feature "Storytelling 101" by Fisher; "Storytelling: Building Communication Skills for ADD/ADHD Children" by Ausmus; "Tell Me About My World Through Story" by Quata Dabov of Lubbock; and "Telling the SCAR-RY Tale-Springboard Your Students into Narrative Writing" by Jian Powers of Dallas.

Retrospective of art by Bugbee displayed

Special to The Brand CANYON — A retrospective of Southwestern artist H.D. Bugbee's work will open Friday at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum.

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Bugbee's birth, the museum will bring together 100 of Bugbee's finest works in oil, watercolor, pen-and-ink, and sculpture.

Bugbee portrayed historic and then-contemporary Southern Plains life, including cowboys, American Indians, and flora and fauna of the region.

At the suggestion of his cousin, cattleman T.S. Bugbee, Harold Dow Bugbee came to the Texas Panhandle from Lexington, Mass., in 1914 with his parents. He studied at Texas A & M College in 1917 and the Cumming School of Art in Des Moines, Iowa, in 1920.

Advised by cattlemen Frank Collinson and Charlese Goodnight, Bugbee rendered the landscape and wildlife of

the Texas Panhandle, as well as nostalgic paintings of Indians and cowboys. Until the late 1930s, the artist traveled each fall to Taos to paint with his fellow artists "Buck" Dunton, Frank Hoffman, Leon Gaspard, and Ralph Meyers, often packing into the mountains to paint with either Meyers or Dunton.

By the mid-1920s, galleries in Denver, Chicago, Kansas City and New York handled Bugbee's work. With the Depression and decreasing picture sales, Bugbee turned to magazine illustration, a practice he maintained for some 18 years. He did pen-and-ink illustrations for a variety of magazines, including "Ranch Romances," "Western Stories," "Country Gentleman," and "Field and Stream." Additionally, Bugbee also illustrated a number of significant books on Western history including J. Evetts Haley's "Charles Goodnight: Cowman and Plainsman," Willie N. Lewis's "Between Sun and

Sod," and S. Omar Barker's "Songs of the Saddleman." He also continued to make easel paintings.

Under Roosevelt's New Deal, Bugbee painted the first of five murals for the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum's Pioneer Hall in 1934. He later painted additional murals for the Amarillo Army Air Field and set of murals on Native American life for the museum.

Bugbee exhibited at the Tri-State Fair at Amarillo, Fort Worth Frontier Centennial Exposition in 1936, the Greater Texas and Pan-American Exposition at Dallas in 1937, and in the annual West Texas art exhibitions at Fort Worth. He also had numerous solo exhibitions in Texas and exhibited in Taos.

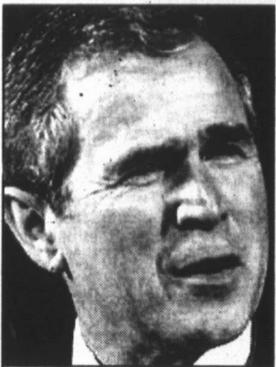


A retrospective of works by H.D. Bugbee (shown here in his studio during the 1920s) will open Friday at Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon.

In 1951, Bugbee became the first curator at Panhandle-Plains, a position he held until his death. Over 230 Bugbee works are part of the museum's art. Exhibits of Bugbee's illustrated letters, his work in Taos, and his illustrations for J. Evetts Haley's books will be ancillary to the larger retrospective.

"H.D. Bugbee: 100 at 100" will include works from the museum's collection as well as objects from public and private collections across the United States. The exhibition will run through Feb. 18, 2001.

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Al Gore (right) has caught George W. Bush in Missouri, according to the latest poll.

Race tightens in battleground state

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Al Gore has caught George W. Bush in Missouri, according to a new poll taken after the political conventions. Bush had led in the battleground state for much of the year.

Democrat Gore had 45 percent to 41 percent for Republican Bush in the poll, published in *The Kansas City Star*. Gore jumped from an 11-point deficit in early July to the new result, which was within the poll's 4 percentage point margin of error.

The Mason-Dixon poll of 621 likely voters was conducted Thursday and Friday. Green Party nominee Ralph Nader had 2 percent, while Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan was at 1 percent.

Gore made the most progress among women. Women now back Gore by 53 percent to 35 percent in Missouri. In July, Bush led among women 44 percent to 41 percent. Bush led by 10 points among men, although the spread has decreased from the earlier 19 points.

An earlier Mason-Dixon poll conducted for *The Star* from July 6 to July 10 before the two major parties' political conventions showed Bush up 48 percent to 37 percent. Gore has made progress in numerous key states in the state-by-state battle for electoral votes.

In the most recent poll, nearly half of Gore's supporters — 47 percent — said the convention made them more enthusiastic about their candidate. Twenty-six percent of Bush's backers said they were more excited after the GOP convention.

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JITTERY GOP: Some party leaders worry about Bush's performance

By Tom Raum

The Associated Press
Some leading national Republicans, alarmed about George W. Bush's difficulty in stemming Al Gore's advance, are issuing troubled warnings to the Bush campaign and urging a review of tactics.

Bush campaign officials liken the rising nervousness among party leaders to fears expressed last winter after Bush lost the New Hampshire primary to Sen. John McCain of Arizona. They suggest this current angst, too, will pass.

But there is no doubt there is mounting concern in the Bush camp over polls showing that the Texas governor is losing or has lost the edge he once enjoyed in many battleground states.

The decision to campaign in Florida next week — a state once believed to be a sure-win for Bush, whose

younger brother Jeb is governor — was viewed by GOP officials as yet another sign of the race tightening.

Bush's current taunting of Gore on presidential debates — both in a new television ad and in stump speeches — was also angering some Republicans, said GOP officials who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

While Bush's pre-emptive "agreement" last Sunday to participate in one formal debate and two on TV talk shows was initially cheered as bold strike by Bush, his subsequent refusal to negotiate terms on other formats with Gore was viewed with increasing concern.

The debate on the debates "is irrelevant. It's not what voters care about," said GOP pollster Frank Luntz.

Still, Luntz said, "The level of interest in this campaign is

shockingly low. The potential for comeback is incredibly high. You could easily see a tidal wave in the final hours."

Many national Republicans were getting increasingly worried about the recent turn in events.

"Everybody got cocky" after Bush's comfortable lead over Gore through most of the summer and a triumphant GOP convention, conceded veteran GOP operative Charles Black, a Bush campaign adviser.

Now the reality of a close race is sinking in, worrying many Republicans, Black said. But he said he thinks there's still plenty of time for Bush to regain lost ground.

Karen Hughes, Bush's communication director, said that in the coming days, "We're going to aggressively make the case that Governor Bush has real plans for real people."

She suggested that Bush has been making gains in Midwestern battleground states in recent days "in the real America where real people live," despite some disappointing poll results.

As to concerns by Washington Republicans over the conduct of the Bush campaign — still largely managed by a small group of Texas-based Bush loyalists — the same concerns were voiced last February as Bush was struggling under the McCain challenge, Hughes suggested.

"I think the result will be the same. Governor Bush is very pleased with the leadership and the direction of his campaign," she said.

Despite widespread GOP euphoria in July and early August, Bush's chief strategist, Karl Rove, had predicted all along that the race would draw even by early September.

Insider trading scandal resurfaces

WASHINGTON (AP) — Before selling his stock in a Texas oil company, a transaction that prompted an insider trading inquiry, George W. Bush was informed as a company director that the firm was suffering a cash "crisis," newly released records show.

The internal corporate documents, released by the Securities and Exchange Commission, provide the most detailed view yet of Bush's knowledge of Harken Energy Corp.'s financial problems when he sold his shares for \$848,560 in June 1990.

Bush's lawyer said Wednesday the information, while new to the presidential campaign, was provided to the SEC as part of its investigation a decade ago and contributed to the agency's finding that Bush's trading was appropriate.

"The SEC did their job by

the book, and this is old news," attorney Robert Jordan said. The Bush lawyer added that "the company's financial situation was well-disclosed to the public" through filings at the time with the SEC.

"By the time Bush sold his stock, the cash crisis had been largely resolved," said Jordan. "By May 21, 1990, the major shareholders had agreed to a credit agreement which put \$26 million into the company immediately."

Insider trading allegations have been an issue in both Bush's run for governor in Texas and his presidential bid. The SEC in the last month released several hundred pages of corporate documents from its investigation under the Freedom of Information Act.

Bush has said he had no knowledge the Texas-based company was going to report a \$23 million loss two months

after he sold his stock. "I absolutely had no idea and would not have sold it had I known," he said during his 1994 campaign for governor.

SEC investigators concurred there was no evidence Bush knew that the loss would be of that magnitude. At most, the investigators found, Bush was aware of a projected \$4 million loss, which was "consistent with Harken's publicly reported trend" of losses, states an SEC investigative document obtained by AP. The same document projecting the \$4 million loss, Jordan noted, projected a profit for the fourth quarter.

The Harken documents released under FOIA detail Bush's knowledge of the company's problems.

As a Harken director, he received memos in spring 1990 that referred in stark terms to the company's cash-strapped

condition as banks demanded it pay down its debts. One document said the company was in the midst of a "liquidity crisis" and another told Bush the company was "in a state of noncompliance" with its lenders.

Bush also was informed that a company plan to make a public stock offering to generate cash was being abandoned because one of its lenders objected.

"On the eve of filing this offering, the Bank of Boston refused to grant waivers and consents necessary to allow the offering to proceed," Harken said in a letter to the SEC in 1991.

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