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# Today's weather

#### Partly cloudy skies

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Lows around 25. West winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy, highs around 41, north to northeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday night: Mostly cloudy, lows around 20.

#### Extended forecast

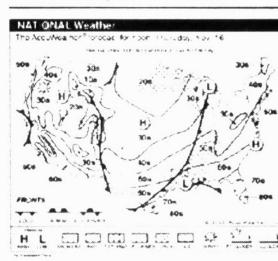
Friday: Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow late, highs 34 to 39. Saturday: Cloudy with snow likely, lows

in the mid-20s, highs 30 to 35. Sunday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of

sunday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of snow early, lows in the mid-20s, highs in the mid-30s.

#### Hereford weather

Tuesday's high, 54; low, 34; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.



The forecast for Thursday shows a cold front will trigger rain from eastern Michigan to the Texas Gulf Coast, while snow is on tap from the Dakotas to Michigan. The ceritral Plains will be chilly with sunshine, while snow is likely in the Rockies.

# **Applications accepted for Stocking**

Applications for assistance from the 2000 edition of Hereford's holiday charity, the Christmas Stocking Fund, will be accepted from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. through Thursday in the lounge area of the Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C. Those applying for assistance will

need to provide proof of residence in Deaf Smith County through a driver's license or bill receipt showing their local address.

Applicants seeking assistance with utilities or medical bills will need to provide water, gas, or electric bills and must provide account numbers.

Those asking for help with doctor bills or

pharmacy bills will also need to provide account numbers.

CSF is administered by an anonymous committee of volunteers who give the needs of the young and the elderly a high priority in their decisions on assistance. With the caring and sharing help of the local community, CSF will address as many needs as possible during the 2000 campaign.

CSF extends assistance in numerous forms including help with food, utilities, medical and pharmacy bills, and clothing. All assistance, with the exception of food,

is via vouchers payable to the merchants, utilities, or medical facilities cooperating with

CSF. Food assistance is in the form of staple goods that are boxed and delivered.

This year's primary assistance delivery date for food boxes and assistance vouchers is Dec. 22.

The Hereford Brand will again serve as the official collection point for CSF, and will begin accepting contributions immediately after Thanksgiving.

Donations to CSF may be made in-person at the *Hereford Brand*, 313 N. Lee, or mailed to CSF in care of the *Brand* at P.O. Box 673, Hereford 79045. Those contributors who wish to remain anonymous should so designate.

The *Brand* periodically publishes a listing of contributors and keeps a running tally of the sum collected by CSF.

# Plans moving ahead on new elderly center

Construction on a 16-unit assisted living complex on the city's northwest side should start sometime around the first of February 2001.

Rich Oller of Oller Engineering Inc., which is developing the Villas of the Southwest complex, said Monday a site has been picked and architects are completing work on plans.

The developer reportedly looked at the former Golden Plains Nursing Center, but decided it would be more economical to build his own complex.

After looking at other tracts, including the old Central School site, Oller said the complex will be built near Kingwood and Nueces.

The Hereford Economic Development Corp. has committed to providing financial assistance to the developer, HEDC executive director Don Cumpton said Tuesday.

The financial package, which was approved several weeks ago by the HEDC directors, calls for the economic development agency to provide up to \$30,000 toward the purchase of the site where the complex will be constructed. However, the money will not be provided until construction is under way, Cumpton said.



BRAND/Don Cooper

**Is it good?** — While her father, Jason Vigil, eats pancakes, 1½-year-old Sabrie, holds a bite and thinks about whether or not she wants to eat it. Father and daughter were among the approximately 400 people who were served at the Kiwanis Club's pancake supper. The event raised about \$14,000, with another \$815 generated at a silent auction. The funds will be used by the club for

#### Chance of light rain

After a frosty morning over most of the state, temperatures should be mild today ranging from the 50s in the Panhandle to the 70s along the Gulf Coast. Most of the state should be overcast, and rain may fall lightly on a few parts today.

Partly cloudy conditions are expected in the west and central portions of North Texas and a chance of rain is forecast. High temperatures should be in the 50s and 60s.

Temperatures across North Texas Wednesday morning were mainly in the 30s, ranging from 32 degrees in Terrell to 43 degrees in Abilene. Winds were generally light over the region, out to the south and southwest at less than 10 mph.

Clouds should also cover West Texas and the Panhandle, although the far western parts of the region could have sunny skies. Early morning temperatures were generally in the 30s and 40s ranging from 36 in Amarillo to 50 in El Paso.

Wind and breezes are expected, but no rain is forecast for the region.

A chance of rain is forecast for much of South Texas today, though it's not expected to be heavy.

Pre-dawn temperatures ranged from 34 in Georgetown to 66 degrees in Port Isabel and should warm to the 50s to 70s by afternoon.

Skies should be partly to mostly cloudy.



Bi-district Hereford (9-1) vs. Frenship (8-2) 1 p.m. Saturday Kimbrough Stadium Canyon

#### TICKETS

#### \$6, adults; \$2, students

A limited number of advance tickets are available at Troy's Sweet Shop, 1003 E. Park Ave. Other tickets will be available noon-4:30 p.m. through Friday at the Hereford Independent School District Administration Building, 601 N. 25 Mile Ave. meaningful community projects.

# It's not Florida; county election results stand

#### By Donald Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor It's certainly not Florida.

Deaf Smith County commissioners moved swiftly to canvass the results of the Nov. 7 general election, and Democratic presiden-

tial candidate Al Gore picked up two more votes — not that it changed anything. Two overseas absentee ballots were re-.

ceived in the county clerk's office Monday, but they didn't change the results of the races.

In the county races, two incumbents lost their positions. Precinct 1 Commissioner Wayne Betzen was defeated by Democratic challenger Armando Gonzalez, while longtime Sheriff Joe Brown was defeated by GOP challenger Brent Harrison, a sergeant on the Hereford Police Department.

In the only other contested race on the county ballot, Republican Jeannine Zimmerman defeated Democrat Teresa Garth in the race to succeed outgoing Tax Assessor-Collector Margaret Del Toro.

Gonzalez received 570 votes to 404 for Betzen; Harrison received 2,870 votes in unseating Brown, who polled 2,111; and Zimmerman garnered 2,491 votes to defeat Garth, who received 2,402. Garth's total was boosted by two after the overseas absentee ballots were counted.

Two other county races were on the ballot, although they were uncontested. In Precinct 3, incumbent Commissioner Troy Don Moore received 1,751 votes, while Precinct 1 Constable Bryan Hedrick, received 3,526, up one from the preliminary results. Both Moore and Hedrick are Republicans.

Gonzalez is a graduate of Hereford High School and is a machinist for Poarch Bros. He and his wife, Debbie, have three children, Vanessa, Ashley and Mackenzie.

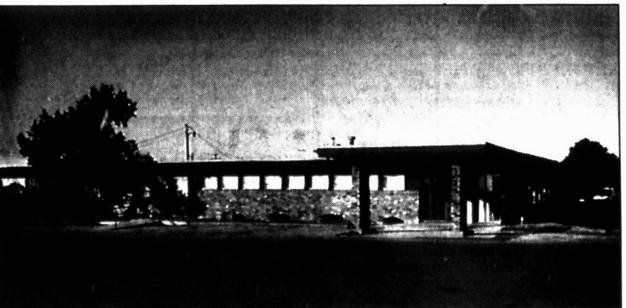
Harrison is a 14-year veteran of the police department. He has a criminal justice management degree from Amarillo College and is working on his bachelor's degree in criminal justice management from Wayland Baptist. He has received an advanced peace officer certificate, he is a certified TCLEOSE instructor, past coordinator of the Deaf Smith County Crime Stoppers and is certified in kinesic interviewing and advanced blood pattern interpretation. He and his wife, Beverly, have two daughters Cassie and Alexandria.

Zimmerman has worked in the tax assessor-collector's office for 11 years, managing office computer hardware and software installation. She is active in Park Avenue Church of Christ, Hereford Toastmasters Club, Panhandle Music Association and the Country Opry in Hereford.

The turnout in Deaf Smith County was 48.6 percent, as 5,051 voters cast ballots. There are 10,390 registered voters in the county.

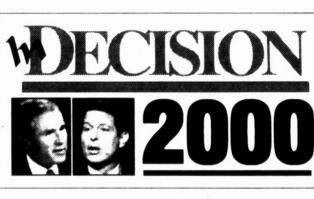
Other results in Deaf Smith County:

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BRAND/Mauri Montgomery

**New county property** — The former Family Medical Clinic, 807 W. Park Ave., has been donated to Deaf Smith County by Drs. Duffy McBrayer and Gerald Payne. The county adult probation department has expressed interest in renovating the building for its use. However, the county commissioners have not made any decision on how to use the building.



# Bush clings to slim lead

#### The Associated Press

After a week of suspense, a fistful of lawsuits and thousands of ballots counted, recounted, then counted again by hand in some places, George W. Bush clings to a 300-vote lead over Al Gore in Florida's decisive presidential election. But the outcome remains uncertain in a struggle that Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris took to her state's Supreme Court on Wednesday. Legal actions have been proliferating, each

side blaming the other for attempting to thwart the will of voters by introducing delaying tactics. "We're seeing increasing desperation and it's

we're seeing increasi not pretty," GOP lawyer Theodore Olson said Wednesday of the Democratic team. On ABC's "Good Morning America," he said Democrats should stop challenging

every deadline and let

the results unfold. David Boies, a prominent litigator and the newest addition to Gore's legal team, said on CBS' "The Early Show" that if Republicans had allowed recounts to go forward, "there would not be any lawyers down here."

It was left to Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, the Republican candidate's brother, to sum up the high-stakes twists. "This is a pretty intense process," he said Tuesday. "I hope this will be resolved."

On that there was no dispute.

In Harris' Supreme Court petition, filed after Tuesday's 5 p.m. deadline for Florida's 67 counties to file certified election results with her, she

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#### SUMMARY

#### The Associated Press

Here are the latest nationwide election returns in the race for president with 99 percent of the nation's precincts reporting. GORE

49,386,557 (48 perceent) Has won 20 states in-

cluding the District of Columbia with 262 electoral votes.

Leads in 1 state with 5 electoral votes. BUSH

49,154,355 (48 percent) Has won 29 states with

246 electoral votes. Leads in 1 state with 25 electoral votes.

OTHERS 3,747,733 (4 percent)

Needed to win: 270 of the 538 electoral votes from the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

#### HEREFORD BRAND Local roundup

#### • Community Thanksgiving service •

The Hereford Ministerial Alliance is hosting the community wide Thanksgiving service at 6 p.m. Sunday at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. The HMA will be collecting non-perishable food stuffs for the Good Shepherd Food Pantry. Individuals not able to attend should bring canned goods to their individual churches.

#### NRCS tree sales

The Hereford NRCS office is continuing to take orders for windbreak saplings. Deciduous and evergreen varieties are available. Trees have been grown specifically for this area and will be delivered in March. For more information, or to place an order, please contact the NRCS office at 364-6995.

#### Special Crime Stopper's meeting

The Hereford Crime Stopper's will have a special meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday. All board members need to be present as new rules and membership needs to be voted on.

#### HEREFORD BRAND

# School news

#### FFA announcements

Students will start delivering meat orders by Thursday Fruit orders are expected to arrive in December.

FFA stock show sign-up will be Nov. 21 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the FFA offices, room 621 of the CTE buildings.

#### Choirs perform

Various school choirs are scheduled to perform this week during the Festival of Trees at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center. Thursday 1 p.m. seventh grade girls and boys choirs, 2:30 p.m. eighth grade girls; Friday, 8:30 a.m., sixth grade honors choir.

#### Bonfire scheduled

Hereford High School will hold a pre-game bonfire at 8 p.m. Friday at Kids Inc. Field, off 15th Street.

The bonfire is to show support for the Hereford Whitefaces in its bi-district playoff game. The team will meet Frenship at 1 p.m. Saturday in Kimbrough Stadium in Canyon.





Skirting the issue -- Carolyn Hutcheson, a member of the Hereford Senior Citizen's Center, folded, fluffed and arranged

gossamer clouds of material to complete the look under the trees on display at the center.

## Schools serving more breakfasts

report said.

program.

backs."

Officials encourage more participation

WASHINGTON AP About 6.4 million poor schoolchildren are getting free or reduced-price breakfasts. nearly double the number a decade ago, but millions of other needy kids aren't receiving the meals because too few schools offer them, an advocacy group says.

About 42 percent of lowincome children who participate in the federal school lunch program also got the government-subsidized breakfasts during the 1999-2000 school year, according to a report released Wednesday by the Food Research and Action

Center. West Virginia has the highest participation in the break- stime, are less likely to be fast program, with 56 percent of kids getting free or reduced-priced lunches also receiving the breakfasts, the report said.

If children in other states participated in the breakfast program as much as they do in West Virginia, an additional 2 million kids would be getting the meals, at a cost to taxpavers of \$321 million, the

found. In 1990, about 3.4 million

The report was funded by a variety of foundations and food companies.

Schools are often reluctant to offer breakfast because there is a stigma attached to children who participate, said Marilyn Hurt, president of the American School Food Service Association.

Some schools have been trying to remove that stigma by encouraging higher-income students to eat at school. In Omaha, Neb., breakfast is being offered free to all children regardless of income. About 16,000 are currently participating, double the number four years ago.

"We have to continue to

Early viewing -- A few members of Herefords Senior Citizen's Center took advantage of a chance early viewing Tuesday evening to see some of the unusual trees, such as the one of Frosty the Snowman, and watch as the trains from the Nolon Henson display were turned on for the first time.

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS **News digest**

#### Ranchers block training missions

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Ranchers and an environmental group have filed a federal lawsuit aiming to stop the Air Force from conducting proposed low-level bomber training missions

The lawsuit, filed Tuesday in Lubbock by the Heritage Environmental Preservation Association and 18 ranchers, claims the noise would violate the federal Noise Control Act and have an adverse effect on humans and livestock.

The Air Force is proposing flying B-1 and B-52 bombers from Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene and Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana through a series of training areas starting near the Big Bend and ending in the Lancer Military Operations Area south of Lubbock.

The jets would not drop bombs but would fire an electronic signal monitored by radar.

Dyess Air Force Base Lt. Wes Ticer said building the monitoring stations could provide economic benefit to the mostly rural area.

Ticer also said having a local training area would be convenient and make better use of training hours for pilots, who currently must fly to Utah, South Dakota, Colorado or Arkansas for similar training.

But Buster Welch, a longtime rancher in Scurry, Kent and Fisher counties, all of which would be included in the flight path, said the noise could put him out of business.

"I know I couldn't run my horse outfit because horses are real sensitive to noise," he said. "If I miss that income, I'm out of business."

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Counties oppose smog ru dards for a 37th day.

The state's plan is designed

to comply with the federal

Clean Air Act and bring lev-

els of ground-level ozone, a

respiratory irritant, below the

national health standard by

2007 in Harris, Brazoria,

Galveston Fort Bend, Mont-

gomery, Chambers, Liberty

State officials in December

must present a plan to the

Environmental Protection

Agency or risk sanctions like

loss of federal highway money,

limits on industrial growth or

takeover of the state plan by

say they aren't to blame for

Houston's air pollution and

munities in with Houston.

county contributes

Houston's smog woes.

Officials in the six counties

and Waller counties.

the federal agency.

HOUSTON AP - Six of the seven suburban counties ringing Houston have banded together in opposition to the state's sweeping smog reductions around the nation's reigning smog capital and plan to appeal to federal officials to be excluded from the plan.

Officials from Fort Bend, Waller, Liberty and Chambers counties have agreed to join Brazoria and Montgomery counties to resist the state's plan to place their areas under the same environmental restrictions that are proposed for Houston and Harris County, the Houston Chronicle reported Wednesday.

Houston replaced Los Angeles last year as the city reporting the most days in violation of federal smog standards, a notoriety that became campaign fodder used against Gov. George W. Bush, the Republican presidential nominee. And after returning the ozone title earlier this year to Los Angeles, Houston in September reclaimed it by exceeding national smog stan-



#### **BILLY WAYNE EMMONS** Nov. 14, 2000

Services for Billy Wayne Emmons, 65, of Hereford are pending with Parkside Chapel Funeral Home.

Mr. Emmons died Tuesday at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

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#### Emergency service

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Nov. 14, 2000, include the following

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT** Incidents

A theft was reported in the 800 block of Park Avenue.

- A junk vehicle investigation in the 300 block of West Fourth resulted in the impounding of the vehicle under state guidelines

we can," said Brazoria County District Attorney Jeri Yenne. "I think our chances are pretty good."

participated in the breakfast

breakfasts come to school on

absent, learn more and be-

have better," said Jim Weill,

president of the Food Re-

search and Action Center.

"States and schools that lag

in breakfast are tying one

hand behind their teachers

level of participation at 22

percent of children in the

lunch program, the report

Wisconsin has the lowest

les

"Children eating school

Galveston County has not joined the coalition.

"In an ideal world, we'd like to be exempted. But we don't think that's going to happen, and we're more focused on educating our communities on what the issues are and how they're going to impact us," said Jim Yarbrough. "There have been areas all across the country which have tried to get out of being considered part of a larger regional group as it relates to air quality, and none of them has been successful."

drive home the point that school breakfast is a tool for learning," said Hurt, who is supervisor of nutrition programs for the LaCrosse, Wis., school district. "It's as much a tool for learning as a pencil, or as much a tool as a computer or textbook.'

In her district, the breakfasts are distributed to kids in bags and typically include a muffin, breakfast sandwich, milk or juice and fruit.

Under federal rules, lunch and breakfast are free to children in homes with an annual income of \$22,165 or less for a family of four. To qualify for reduced-price meals, a family of four can have an income of up to \$31,543.



Mid-day walk -- Fall is often the perfect time to enjoy a midafternoon walk especially with someone you love. D.L. Welty was caught walking with his granddaughter, Jolee Welty, one afternoon before last week's snow and again more recently since the snow has melted. The winter weather temporarily halted the afternoon walks, but as the sun again makes a warming appearance, Welty makes a point of strolling with Jolee.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS **Texas lottery** 

areas

#### **Cash Five**

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

#### 13-17-23-26-32

Pick 3 The winning Pick 3 num-

8-7-1

bers drawn Tuesday by the

Texas Lottery, in order:

# JFESTYLES

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A bridal shower honoring Terri Reiter (third from left), bride-elect of Brian Irlbeck, was held Saturday morning at Hereford Country Club. Pictured with the honoree are (from left) Brenda Irlbeck, mother of the future groom; Traci Miller, sister of the bride-elect; Anne Reiter, mother of the bride-elect; and Beth Frye and Shawn Gonzalez, aunts of the bride-elect.

# Reiter honored with shower

Terri Reiter, bride-elect of Brian Irlbeck, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday morning at the Hereford Country Club.

The couple will exchange marriage vows on Dec. 30.

Greeting guests with the honoree were Anne Reiter, her mother; Brenda Irlbeck, her future-mother-in-law; and Traci Miller, her sister.

Refreshments of fresh fruits and assorted pastries were served from a table centered with a fall floral arrangement and featuring silver appointments.

A Kitchen-Aid blender was the gift from hostesses Linda Baird, Carolyn Baxter, Brenda Campbell, Carol Gage, Yiota Malouf, Susan Perrin, Becky Reinart, Susan Robbins, Mysedia Smith, Susan Sublett, Marline Watson, Mary Beth White and Lesley Woodard.

#### Food pantry is topic of program at meeting of Veleda Study Club Bettie Dickson gave a presen-Stocking Fund in providing with Beverly Harder giving the tation about the Hereford Food assistance at Christmas. program. Pantry at the recent meeting of Donations of food and money Those present were Frances

Veleda Study Club in the home of Juanita Brownd.

Dickson related that a board of approximately 12 individuals oversees the operation of the pantry and sets the guidelines by which it operates. A volunteer operates the pantry two days a week, Monday and Friday.

Anyone applying for assistance must be a resident of this county and must provide proof they are eligible to receive the food. The pantry works with the Christmas

## Achievers 4-H holds meeting

Community service projects were discussed at the recent meeting of Achievers 4-H Club.

After a meal of hot dogs and hot chocolate, the members discussed their October project which was assisting with the Halloween carnival at August Healthcare.

For their November project they made leaf napkin rings for hospital trays. Project plans for December are to make Christmas cards for residents at August Healthcare and to assist with a Christmas party.

Club member Seth Hoelscher gave a report on "Caring: A Pillar of Character."

are always welcome.

President Margaret Zinser conducted the business meeting. Members were reminded to bring cans of pop corn and meat trays for the elderly to the next meeting. They are also to bring a Christmas ornament to exchange with other members.

The next meeting will be Nov. 27 at the home of Marcella Bradly

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Crume, Betty Gilbert, Della Hutto, Joyce Ritter, Theda Seiver, Norma Walden, Bradly, Brownd, Dickson and Zinser.





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apologized, but I cannot seem Dear Ann anders: I've to get past this. Should I go ahead with the wedding, hopgoing ing I will be able to forgive with my fihim later on? I need your ance, "Gunther," off advice, Ann. - Undecided in and on for D.C. seven years. Dear D.C.: First, get tested Our relationto make certain you have not contracted a disease from ship has always been Gunther. Insist that he be tested also.

members, becomes agitated easily, curses, and yells. He tried to choke a resident who kicked a nurse in the stom-

Rambler): After a fellow becomes famous, it doesn't take long before someone pops up was making too much noise, who used to sit next to him in school. And, P.S. — this is ach, overturned another man's Ann talking - they are very dinner, and tripped a woman surprised the guy amounted to anything. Have trouble sleeping at night and don't want to get involved in a novel? "A Collection of My Favorite Gems of the Day" is the perfect bedstand mate. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Collection, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562 (in Canada, \$6.25).

Ann Landers

somewhat rocky. We were separated for two years and recently got back together. Things are wonderful except for one thing. I have been puzzled by Gunther's newfound voracious sexual appetite and tendency toward kinkiness.

Last week, I confronted him, and he confirmed my suspicions. He had used escort services during the two years we were apart and learned some new tricks. I was devastated that he would do such a thing. not to mention he had unprotected sex with me knowing he had been exposed to these questionable women. Gunther insists he did nothing wrong because he was unattached at the time. He also believes that all the women he slept with really-liked him. He doesn't realize call girls are paid to flatter their clients.

Gunther comes from a good family, is a college-educated man, and has an excellent career. I do not understand his vulgar behavior. He has

Since you two have gone together for seven years (off and on), you should know each other very well. Is he the man you want to spend the rest of your life with? Can you trust him again? Only you know the answer. I wish you luck.

Dear Ann Landers: I read the letter from the woman husband has whose Alzheimer's. She visits him every day in a nursing home. Her family is furious because she now has a male friend who takes her to dinner and the movies.

My sister and I put my father in an Alzheimer's facil-. ity a few years ago, and family members are still angry with us. Most people cannot comprehend the reality of this disease. My father is unable to clean himself, dress, or eat without assistance. He doesn't read or watch TV because the stories make no sense to him. He doesn't recognize family in a walker.

My once-dignified father would be appalled if he knew of his actions, but Alzheimer's has stripped him of social man-ners, and, robbed him of his dignity. That writer should do whatever she can to be at peace with herself and ignore what others say. - Kay in Des Moines, Iowa

**Dear Des Moines:** Thanks for your support. Many readers raised unshirted hell because I told the 48-year-old woman whose husband has Alzheimer's and is in a nursing home that it was OK for her to have dinner and go to the movies with a widower gentleman friend. My advice stands. This woman visits her husband every day, is attentive and loving, and he does not even recognize her. Can you imagine how difficult this must be for her?

I say it is perfectly fine for her to have dinner with a male friend, and those who are condemning her should try walking a mile or two in her shoes.

Gem of the Day (Credit Kin Hubbard in the Prairie

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The Fellowship of Believers Church 245 N. Kingwood, Hereford

Guided by Mona Romero, LMSW This is presented free to the community

Crown of Texas Hope

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# IN CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL RADIOLOGY WEEK

# Mammogram Screenings Now only \$50 during the month of November

Hereford Regional Medical Center is offering annual mammograms at a special rate. A mammogram can detect malignant breast tumors years before you can feel a lump. The exam does not include the reading fee and takes about 20 minutes of your day.

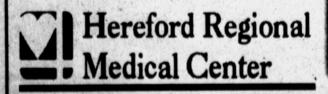
Mammogram follow-up services may include:

- (1) Additional spot compression views
- (2) Ultrasound exam of the breast
- (3) Magnification views
- Which are not included in a mobile service.

No physician order is needed, you may be self-referred for this life saving examination. We do require the name of your attending physician so they may be notified of your results.

Please call 364-2141 extension 3248 today to schedule your exam.

Our mammography department holds accreditation with American College of Radiology, Texas Department of Health and The Food and Drug Administration. We are a JCAHO facility.



801 East 3rd Street Hereford, Texas (806)364-2141



The staff includes: Shannon Alejandre, RT; Cori Watts, RT; Michelle Zamora, RT; and Claudia Smith, RT, who have all passed their mammography registry.



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#### LIFESTYLES



Check presentation - Hereford Retired School Employees Association president Leona Schilling (second from left) presents a check to Hereford Senior Citizens Association executive director Margie Daniels (left). In lieu of decorating a tree for the Festival of Trees, HRSEA members voted to make a cash donation to the center's operating fund. Also pictured are HRSEA members Carlyn DeLozier and Murlene Streun.

# Cumpton discusses economic development at HRSEA meeting

Efforts to attract new industry to Deaf Smith County as well as to encourage growth in present operations were detailed when Don Cumpton, executive director of the Hereford Economic Development Corporation, spoke to the monthly program and luncheon meeting of the Hereford Retired School Employees Association held at the Senior Citizens Center on Monday. Cumpton was introduced by Dempsey Alexander.

With Leona Schilling presiding, the meeting opened with a devotional by Oveta White. Schilling welcomed those present, including new members Linda Laird, Violet Barton and Cumpton.

She stated that Mal Manchee was elected to be first vice president of the District XVI unit of the Texas Retired Teachers Association and Teddie Poindexter second vice president at the

members attending the meeting on Jan. 9, 2001, and the issue of were John Poindexter, Louise Witkowski, Betty Mercer, Sue Inmon, Julia McNaney and Schilling.

Social chairman Rose Mary Shook announced plans for the annual holiday dinner to be held at the Community Center on Monday evening Nov. 27 beginning at 6. Attendees are asked to bring an unwrapped new toy or book to be donated to the Christmas for Children Drive for Deaf Smith County, Meat, drinks and bread will be furnished with members bringing vegetables, salad or dessert.

Volunteer hours accumulated during the past year, beginning Jan. 1, 2000, are to be reported to Mary Dziuk at the Jan. 8 meeting of HRSEA. Forms have been distributed earlier.

Betty Mercer, legislative chair-

annuity increases for retired school personnel will be an important agenda item.

In lieu of decorating a tree to support the Senior Citizen Center's Festival of Trees, the association voted to make a cash donation of \$200 to the center's operating fund. Carole McGilvary, a member of the melodrama cast of the festival, invited everyone to attend the production.

Health care tips about proper care of aging skin were presented by Health and Wellness Chairman Louise Witkowski, who also was the winner of the monthly Share the Pot drawing

The next meeting of HRSEA is set for Monday, Jan. 8 at the Senior Center with Lou Serrano of the Deaf Smith County Juvenile Home as the speaker. man, stated that the Texas All area retired school employees

## AT THE CENTER **Senior Citizens**

MENUS THURSDAY-Beef tips, buttered noodles, French green beans, raspberry-applesauce Jello salad, brownie.

FRIDAY-Fish scribbles, cheese grits, fried okra, coleslaw, bread pudding with lemon sauce. MONDAY-Beef stew, fried

zucchini, cheese sticks, 5-cup fruit salad, cookies.

TUESDAY-Chicken fried chicken with gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered peas, broccolicauliflower salad, fruit cobbler.

WEDNESDAY-Swiss steak, baked potato, buttered carrots, tossed salad, ice cream with strawberry topping. ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Festival of Trees activities 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m., children's programs 8:30 a.m.-3

## Alzheimer's group to meet

In affiliation with the Alzheimer's Association, the Hereford support group for family caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday in Fellowship of Believ-ers Church, 245 N. Kingwood, with group facilitators Roy Puente, LSW, and Shelly Moss, social services director at King's Manor. In this Thursday's meeting,

Puente will present a program on "Holiday Depression." There will also be a presentation by Keena Dubberly, director of Alzheimer's research at Texas Tech Health Science Research Center in Lubbock. She will give an update on research and available resources for the support group.

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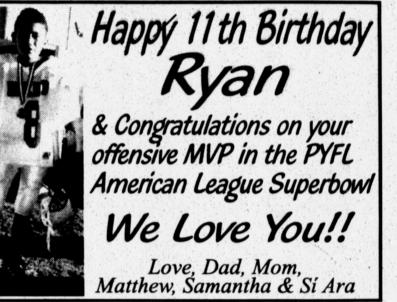
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SUNDAY-Holiday turkey/ham buffet noon-2 p.m., Calvary 2-3 p.m., tree and train review noon-4 p.m.

MONDAY-Pool classes, quilting 9a.m.-3 p.m., line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class noon-4 p.m. TUESDAY-Pool classes, quilt-

ing 9 aim.-3 p.m., exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., Miracle Ear 9 a.m.noon, Golden K Kiwanis 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., ceramics noon-4 p.m.





district convention held in Ama-

rillo on Nov. 2. Other HRSEA legislature will resume sessions are invited to attend.

# ACS launches smoking quitline

The American Cancer Society has launched the Texas Pilot of its quitline service - a toll-free telephone support program offering state-of-the-art smoking cessation counseling and self-help materials.

The service - 1-877-YES-QUIT (877-937-7848) - is the latest in a statewide effort to eliminate tobacco-related illness.

With the Great American Smokeout on Thursday, and the New Year just around the corner, many smokers intend to quit smoking in the next few months, but very few have taken advantage of or are unwilling to undergo individual or group counseling.

Recent research reveals that self-help messages do not have much effect unless supplemented by professional support. In fact, studies show that smokers using telephone support and self-help advice are twice as likely to attain success.

To counter smoker's reluctance to engage in face-to-face individual or group counseling, the American Cancer Society's quitline is easily accessible, offers caller confidentiality and is free. If successful in Texas, the quitline will be launched nationwide in 2001

As part of the Texas pilot, the quitline's clinically trained counselors will first assess each smoker' addiction level and determination to quit and then provide self-help materials and/or techniques to best help the individual.

All callers ready to make a serious quit attempt will be mailed a three-book packet that lends direct advice, real-life examples and skill-building exereises to help smokers progress through the three main steps in. quitting: (1) contemplation, (2) preparation/action and (3) maintenance.

Callers also may receive advice on a combination of cessation aids and self-help techniques, including medications (i.e., over-thecounter nicotine replacement therapies or prescription medications), stress reduction techniques (i.e., deep breathing exercises and physical activity) and self-control skills (i.e., avoidance of smoking reminders).

While this service focuses on smokers, the quitline also may be useful for helping other types of tobacco dependence. Support is available for English and Spanishspeaking callers.

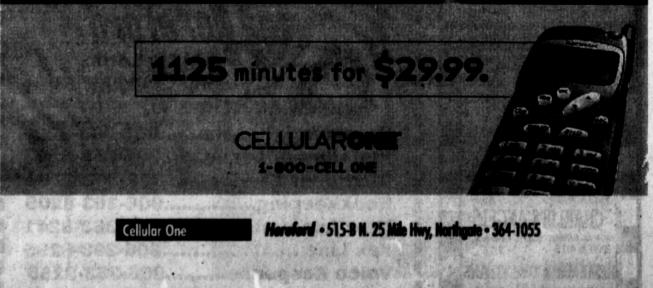
For information about cancer, call toll-free anytime 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit the American Cancer Society website at www.cancer.org.



Holiday preparations - The E.B. Black House was decorated Tuesday by members of the Deaf Smith County Historical Society in preparation for the holiday season. Completing the arrangement in the dining room were Theresa Artho (left) and Judy Detten. The Black House is available for parties, club meetings and receptions during the holidays. For information, call the Deaf Smith County Museum at 363-7070.

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Necicine man

Hereford High's head trainer said he enjoys being part of the team

#### By Jeff Blackmon Hereford Brand Sports Editor

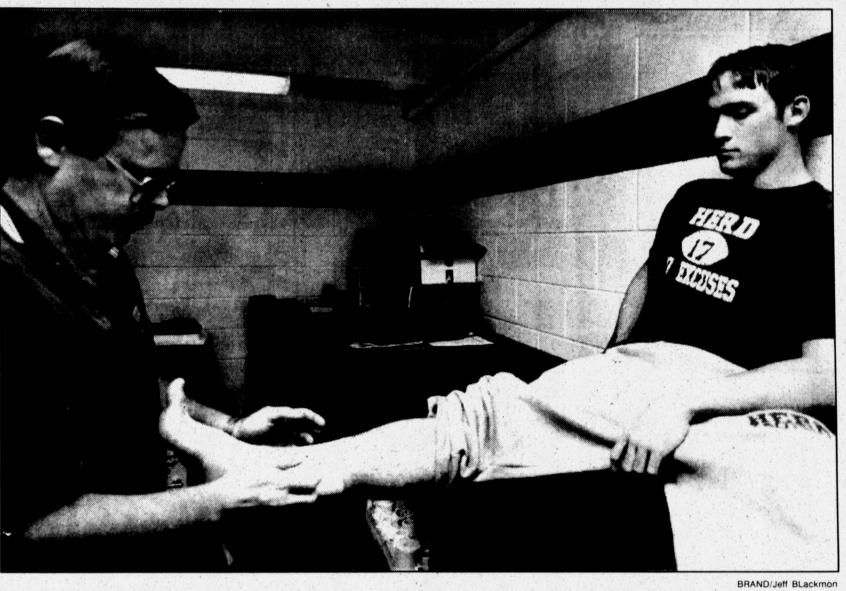
Just put some ice on it. This saying sounds simple, but after 19 years of being an athletic trainer, it is Ed "Doc" Morrow's first reaction to any injury sustained by a Hereford athlete. The players give him a hard time about this, but he knows it is more important than they think.

"People think that I want to just put ice on everything, but most of the injuries we have start to show swelling, so the first thing we do is put ice on it," Morrow said. "We do that to try and control the swelling.'

For the Whitefaces, Morrow controls everything from taping up players before practice and games to setting up team meals and making sure Hereford players get the nutrition their bodies need. Morrow is usually the key person when it comes to player injuries.

"I am kind of in between the coach and the doctor," Morrow said. "There is a lot involved in what I do."

Morrow graduated from the University of New Mexico in 1982 with a bachelor's degree in athletic training. The El Paso native then spent one year in Amarillo as the trainer at Caprock High School, before moving to Hereford. Morrow said that career move one of the



Tape up—Hereford senior receiver Slade Hodges gets some help wrapping an ankle from Hereford High head trainer Ed "Doc" Morrow Monday afternoon before heading out to practice. Morrow has been the head trainer in Hereford for 18 years.

Sandies.

evening.

things around here, and if I need something they always try to get it for me," Morrow said.

Getting materials is important to any trainer. In a single season, Morrow said the teams

sporting events along with teaching three classes at Hereford High. Morrow teaches anatomy and physiology at the high school.

Morrow then arrives at the begin helping injured athletes

to tape every one of their fingers like they do in the pros," Morrow said. "I get upset with them for wasting tape.

Morrow said the team's fieldhouse around 2:30 p.m. to policy is that if a player doesn't show up for treatment, then he must be fine to go on the field.

come in for treatment.

Along with taking care of classes and athletic needs, Morrow is also in charge of taking care of the team on road games. Morrow said a lot of times when they go on long road trips, he is the sole carrier of the team's food and lodging money. During the Whitefaces football playoff run in the 1999 season, Morrow carried thousands of dollars in

## **Thanks for** the season



The bus ride back from Vernon was a quiet one, but I was wondering if the Lady Whitefaces realized how fortunate they are to be a part of a volleyball program that is as successful as

Hereford's. I think it hit the players about how fortunate they are when a group of policemen and fire fighters were there to welcome them home at 2:30 a.m. the Thursday morning following their defeat. Girls athletic director and head volleyball coach Brenda Kitten said she told the group of city workers that they did not have to wait up, but one simply replied, "We are with the team win or lose.'

Tears streamed down the faces of the members of the volleyball team as they were escorted home with a police entourage, because they realized the town of Hereford loves their Lady Whitefaces.

This was my first season covering any type of volleyball. In fact, I hate to admit it, but my first volleyball game was Hereford's game against Lubbock Coronado early in the pre-district season. It only took one match to get me hooked. I also did not recognize the level of skill the Lady Whitefaces performed at until I got to see them roll undefeated through one of the toughest volleyball districts in the state of Texas.

The Lady Whitefaces (30b, 14-0) reached the playous

he ever made.

"I feel like I am part of the team, and I get to see some great athletes play," Morrow said. "I was at Caprock, and I didn't enjoy that at all.

"I like the way coaches run fall includes being at any home

go through 100 cases of tape a year (approximately 48,000 yards), countless amounts of Gatorade and medicine.

"I supply the players with what they need," Morrow said. Morrow's average day in the

with rehabilitation. The head trainer will then tape up the ankles of several players before they head onto the football practice field.

"I have to watch them with the tape, because they will try

After staying up until about 2 a.m. after most Friday games, Morrow goes to the field house on Saturdays to treat any player who wants to

season opener to Tulia 47-32.

losing effort .

for the 13th straight year while making it to the regional semi-final for the



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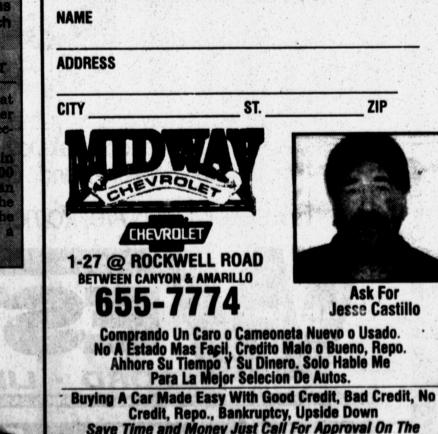
on Friday

The Hereford Lady Whiteface basketball .team opened their season on a high note Tuesday night defeating Tulia 58-53.

The high scorer for the Hereford ladies was sopho-more Tiffany Mercer who McNutt and Seth Hoelscher scored 13 points.

Sophomore Sarah Griffin added 12 points of her own in the victory while Sabrina Garcia tossed in nine points. The next match up for the

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SPORTS

# Slay gets his gold

#### Amarillo native gets gold medal six weeks after Olympic games

NEW YORK (AP) — It wasn't Sydney with its opera house. It was in the middle of a narrow street in Rockefeller Center, a huge Christmas tree in the background, where Brandon Slay finally got his Olympic wrestling gold medal.

Rather than thousands of spectators watching from the stands, a couple hundred gathered behind barricades Wednesday, waving tiny American, South Korean and Turkish flags, many in bizarre getups designed to get them seen on television.

And, the Olympic flame had long since been extinguished. But this was history, be-

cause for the first time, a full medal presentation ceremony was held outside an Olympic venue.

"This is better than Sydney," Slay said. "More

to see it. It wasn't 1 o'clock in the morning, it was on at a more reasonable time."

Slay was awarded the gold in the 1671/2-pound class by the International Olympic Committee, which had stripped the medal from Germany's Alexander Leipold after he tested positive for the steroid nandrolone.

"I have a feeling of relief," said the 25-year-old from Amarillo, who learned a month ago that he would get the medal. "It's a feeling of completion, of closure." And, of vindication.

Slay was not pleased by what happened in Sydney, when he climbed onto the podium and received a silver medal.

Slay lost 4-0 to Leipold on the final day of the Games on Oct. 1. He complained afterward that the referee had unfairly penalized him and not allowed him to wrestle properly.

Leipold told him on the podium not to feel bad about

people, more Americans got not winning the gold because he was young and still had two more Olympics ahead of him.

> "I wanted it (the gold) now. I didn't want to wait four or eight years," Slay said. "But what really got to me, he didn't put his arm around me when he said it, he patted me on the head. I felt demeaned."

It was vastly different this time in a made-for-TV ceremony that was aired on NBC's "Today."

TV weather reporter Al Roker led Slay, silver-medal winner Moon Eui-jae of South Korea and bronze-medal win-

ner Adem Bereket of Turkey to an Olympic-type podium set up in the street outside the show's studio. Moon finished third in the competition and Bereket fourth, but they moved up when Leipold was disqualified.

IOC vice president Anita DeFrantz draped the gold medal around Slay's neck and the national anthem was played.

DeFrantz played a major role in getting the IOC to approve the ceremony. She said the organization wanted to demonstrate its intention to reward athletes who abide by the rules and do not take

performance-enhancing drugs. "The IOC is very serious about making sure that athletes compete with integrity," she said.

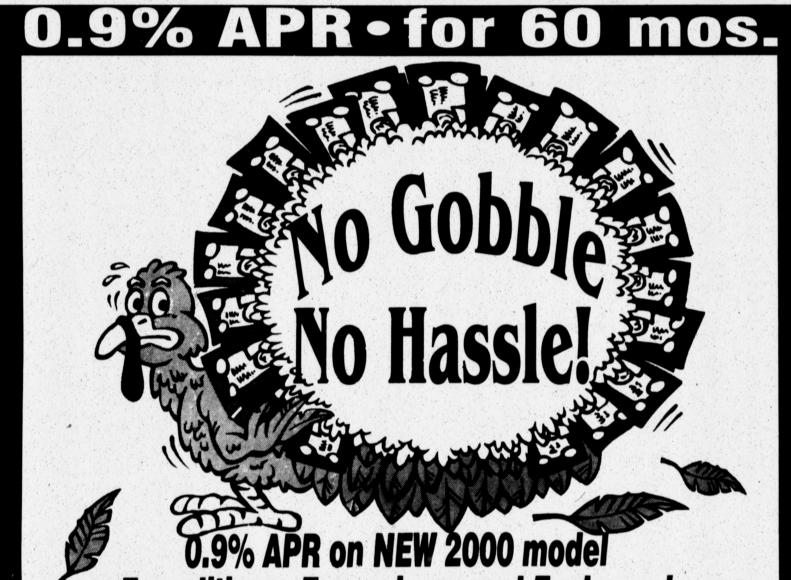
#### Correction

In yesterday's sports article about the cross country team, Hereford senior Brionne Yosten placed eighth in the event but still holds the state record at the course in Round Rock with her time of 11 minutes four seconds. Yosten reached the milestone in 1999.

Also, the picture used of Yosten was taken at the District track meet in Amarillo.

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## Volley

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I know the players wish they had brought home Hereford's fourth state title, but it was not meant to be during a season that saw the team reach the highest of highs (beating Dumas three times) and lowest of lows (losing to the Burleson Lady Elks).

The team finished the season 30-6 after winning 14 straight District 3-4A games including two regular season matches against arch rival Dumas and one victory in the playoffs against the Demonettes

If you have yet to see a Hereford-Dumas match, you

I think sometimes when fans get used to seeing a team go deep into the playoffs every year they can get spoiled.

Being an Atlanta baseball fan, I think every year the Atlanta Braves don't win the World Series is a lost season. As a fan, I have to admit that I am in the wrong. I should be happy for what I got to see during the year and what they were able to accomplish.

I am glad I got to cover the Lady Whitefaces. I am happy I got to see them conquer their early season tentativeness and develop into some serious hitters.

are missing out on one of the greatest rivalries in the Panhandle.

So for a first-time volleyball fan, the 2000 season was great.

Ladies, you have nothing to be ashamed of. It was a pleasure to watch your season and be a small part of it.

## Doc

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checks to take care of the team while it stayed in Dallas.

"I had checks for unbelievamounts of money," able Morrow said. "If I would have lost one of those checks or all of them, I would have been chocked.

"I enjoy having the responsibility from the coaching staff," Morrow said.

Athletic director and head football coach Craig Yenzer said he and his coaches are glad they have Morrow, someone they can trust. The coach also said he never has to ask Morrow to do anything because he usually is already one step ahead.

"It is a huge job," Yenzer said. "He is always way ahead of schedule with his duties, and he takes care of getting drinks for the officials, visiting coaches and the press box on game days.'

Yenzer also said he thinks Morrow is underappreciated

for the job he does in treating his players. Yenzer said Morrow can generally treat a player before the athlete takes a trip to the doctor.

"As an athletic trainer, your goal is to try to treat an injury and see if the injury responds to treatment,' Yenzer said. "He does a great job of getting young people to treat themselves before they panic and go to the doctor.

"It is a big thankless job," Yenzer said.

Morrow said that even with all of his time sacrifices and endless schedule, he loves his job.

"I am here for the kids," Morrow said. "I try to help them and make difference in their lives.

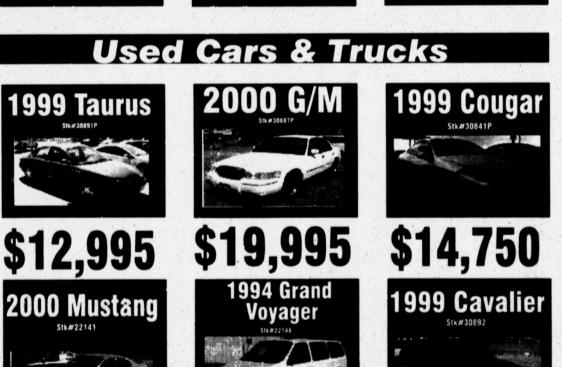
"It feels good when I see someone that I have treated get back on the field who wouldn't have recovered as fast if he/she wouldn't have gotten treatment from me, Morrow said.



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# CONGRESS

## Republicans keep Hastert as speaker; Democrats pick Gephardt as minority leader

WASHINGTON (AP) -Amid uncertainty at the White House and in the Senate, the House proved itself an island of stability for the incoming 107th Congress.

Democrats Minority Leader Dick

Gephardt, and both parties re-elected virtually every other party officer in caucuses Tuesday.

"I just want to declare victory," said Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, who returns as majority whip, the No. 3 job. "The House held its ground."

and DeLay on the GOP side will be hold- DEMOCRATS over Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas and Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma, Congress' lone black Republican, in the fourth-ranking position of Republican conference chairman.

On the Democratic le, Gephardt, of Mis-Nissouri was reside, Gephardt, of Mis-souri, will again be joined by Minority minority leader. Whip David Bonior of Michigan and Caucus Chairman Martin Frost of Texas.

With the presidency un-settled and the Senate facing a potential 50-50 tie, House Republicans portrayed their ability to maintain a narrow majority in last week's election as a huge victory over a determined, well-financed Democratic effort to regain the control they lost in 1994.

"One year ago, people were predicting the demise of the Republican majority," Watts said. "One year later, we've

Last week's elections left the incoming Senate with 50 Republicans and 49 Democrats, pending the outcome of the Washington race between Republicans returned GOP Sen. Slade Gorton and Speaker Dennis Hastert, Democratic challenger Maria

Cantwell. REPUBLICANS Hastert, a former wrestling coach who succeeded fiery conservative Newt Gingrich during the throes of President Clinton's impeachment crisis, said the results would repudiate critics who considered him merely a caretaker speaker

House

facing oblivion. "This proves we could run this House. We ran it on a very slim majority," said Hastert, R-Ill. "We look forward to doing the people's busi-

ness.' Top priorities for the next two years, Hastert said, will include tax cuts, managed care reforms and improving education — and working with either

Republican George W. Bush or Democrat Al Gore in the White House.

"We owe it to the American people, whoever that president is, to close ranks, to work together and do the things that the American people want to see us get done," Hastert said.

Gephardt, for his part, said he was gratified that Democrats appear likely to have gained one or two seats in the election, and the party has not given up its goal of winning back the majority.



#### **Hereford business** of the month

The Mark Andrews Agency has been named the business of the month by the Business Retention Committee of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce. Pictured are agency staff Mark and Len Andrews, Ginger Wallace and Carolyn Collin, along with members of the Chamber. **BRAND** Photo







Joining Hastert House.

proven those people wrong.

Pending the outcome of unsettled races in Florida and New Jersey, Republicans now have an effective 221-212 edge over Democrats in the new House, counting two independents who reliably split between the two camps. In the 106th Congress, the GOP margin was 223-210 counting the independents, with two vacan-

He portrayed the battle as less of personalities than of ideas.

"Our disappointment is not disappointment about winning some political majority or getting some new titles," Gephardt said. "Our disappointment is in not being able to assert ... the issues that need to be asserted on behalf of the people."

## Senate leader says tight election may mean results

WASHINGTON (AP) - Revamping Medicare, providing prescription drug benefits, expanding patients' rights and cutting taxes head the list of proposals that a narrowly elected president and a closely divided Congress may be able to push into law, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott

says. In an interview Tuesday with The As-sociated Press, the Mississippi Republican said the bare-knuckles legal battle over the presidential election means "It will be tough" for either Republican George W. Bush or Democrat Al Gore to govern.

Will congressional **TRENT LOTT** year, 1 36 ba Democrats "set out from "I think people elect day one to undermine may strive harder Jefferson president his presidency?" Lott to make it work, to over Aaron Burr. asked. "Or, conversely, get a few good "Was he a decent will the Republicans be things done." president?" Lott

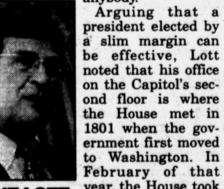
able to accept Gore as a legitimate president? All of that we don't know. And it

could go either way." But he added, "My attitude is once the decision's made, the decision's made, even if it's one of questionable cir-cumstances. We've got to move on, and I think we have to find a way to work together."

All the issues Lott mentioned as possible areas of progress were items on which the two parties shared some broad ideas. But they also waged an election-year battle over specifics.

"In a strange way, I think people may strive harder to

make it work, to get a few good things done," he said. "Why not? The country is at stake. Why wouldn't we want to try to do a few big issues, just to show — if nothing else — that it can be done, or maybe because they are worried that chaos is not good for anybody."



a slim margin can be effective, Lott noted that his office on the Capitol's second floor is where the House met in 1801 when the government first moved to Washington. In February of that year, the House took 36 ballots to finally

Thomas

asked rhetorically. House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., also underlined the need for reconciliation in a later conversation with reporters.

"We owe it to the American people, whoever that president is, to close ranks, to work together and do the things that the American people want to see us get done. It's time that we move forward and make that happen," he said.

Lott's comments reflected his instincts as one of Congress' premier dealmakers and the reality that, at best, Re-publicans will have a 51-49 Senate edge next year hardly enough to dominate.

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INSIDE

# ECONOMY: U.S. industrial production records a decline in October

WASHINGTON (AP) — Industrial production fell in October, the second decline of the year. Output at factories was flat and production at utilities dropped sharply as unusually warm weather depressed demand.

The Federal Reserve reported Wednesday that output at the nation's factories, mines and utilities declined by 0.1 percent last month, following a moderate 0.4 percent increase in September.

The only other decline this

year in industrial production was in July, 0.2 percent.

The latest snapshot of industrial activity is consistent with other data showing that the economy's red-hot growth from earlier in the year is cooling.

Output at factories was flat in October following a solid 0.5 percent rise the month before. Production declined for big-ticket consumer goods, in large part reflecting a drop in the output of automotive products, the Fed said. The pro-

duction of household appliances a pickup in inflation. also fell sharply.

Production at gas and electric utilities fell 1.9 percent in October after a strong 0.9 percent increase in September, reflecting the impact of warmer-than-usual weather.

Mining output rose 0.7 percent. following a 1.0 percent drop, boosted by increases in coal mining and in oil and gas drilling.

Operating capacity fell to 82.1 percent in October, below levels usually associated with

Inventories at U.S. companies edged up in September, posting the smallest gain since the beginning of 1999, while sales rose modestly.

Stockpiles of goods on shelves and backlots nationwide rose just 0.1 percent in September to a seasonally adjusted \$1.21 trillion after posting a solid 0.7 percent increase in August, the Commerce Department reported.

The advance, the smallest since January 1999 when inventories rose by an identical amount, was weaker than the 0.3 percent rise expected.

Businesses' sales rose for the second consecutive month by 0.4 percent, pushing September's sales to \$905 billion.

The inventory-to-sales ratio fell to 1.33 months in September from 1.34 months in August. The ratio had fallen to a record low of 1.31 months in March.

The Federal Reserve has boosted interest rates six

times since June 1999 to slow the pace of economic growth and its main engine, consumer spending, which would serve to keep inflation in check.

Retailers' inventories fell by 0.1 percent to \$391.5 billion in September, after a strong 1.4 percent gain in August. Sales, however, rose by a sizzling 0.9 percent to \$273 billion in September, after being flat in August.

Wholesalers increased their inventories by 0.2 percent to \$326.7 billion.



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Final touches — Wreaths are a traditional part of holiday decorations and this year's Senior Citizens Association's Festival of Trees have plenty from which to choose. Teresa Paetzold (left) and Alice Koenig add the final touches to one of the numerous wreaths which will be auctioned off Friday night at the Senior Citizens Center.

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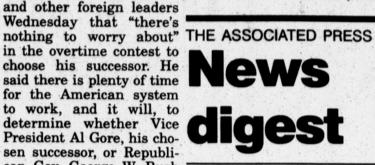
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# Clinton says U.S. system working

BANDAR SERI BAGAWAN, Brunei- Half a world away from the unsettled struggle for the White House, President Clinton told Russian President Vladimir Putin

and other foreign leaders Wednesday that "there's

in the overtime contest to choose his successor. He said there is plenty of time for the American system to work, and it will, to determine whether Vice CIGES sen successor, or Republican Gov. George W. Bush



was elected 43rd president in the disputed election Nov. 7. "I think other leaders should have the same reaction the American people have," Clinton told reporters in the lobby of a lavish Brunei guest house, with Putin at his side. "I think they're pretty relaxed about it and we'll let the process play out.

Security Council tells Lebanon to move troops south

UNITED NATIONS- The Security Council has told Lebanon it must abide by international law and take control of southern Lebanese territory vacated by Israel earlier this year. In a statement to the media Tuesday, council members said Lebanon visks renewed conflict unless the government moves troops and administrators to the border to replace the guerrilla group Hezbollah.

#### **Rescuers in Austria recovering bodies**

KAPRUN, Austria- Rescuers high in the Austrian Alps worked through the night and into Wednesday, struggling to pull the last bodies from the melted remains of the cable car that caught fire in a mountain tunnel, killing 156 people. Fighting stormy weather and heavy winds, rescue teams and the Austrian army had managed to free 128 bodies and fly them out by Tuesday night. The cause of the worst accident on record linked to mountain sports remained unclear four days after the car burst into flames while taking skiers to the slopes on Kitzsteinhorn mountain. Christian Tisch, a police forensic technician, said police found an oily substance that appeared to have dripped from the car on the ramp. leading into the tunnel. The car stopped some 600 yards inside. Tisch said the material was being chemically analyzed and it appeared to be similar in consistency to lubricants.

#### **Religious leaders reject same-sex marriage**

WASHINGTON - A group of national religious leaders rejected same-sex marriage in a first-of-its-kind "Christian Declaration on Marriage" issued Tuesday at the U.S. Catholic bishops' fall conference. The declaration calls for "a stronger commitment to this holy union" and "practical ministries and influence for reversing the course of our culture." The declaration defines marriage as "a holy union of one man and one woman."

# WAITING ON FLORIDA **Frustrated Perry turns focus on session**

AUSTIN (AP) - Frustrated by the presidential waiting game, Lt. Gov. Rick Perry said luesday he's ready to become Texas' next governor and has turned his attention to preparing for the next legislative session.

"It think we're all a little bit frustrated," said Perry, a Republican who would become governor if Gov. George W. Bush is elected president. "We thought we elected a president ... we've had a recount to confirm that."

Perry met with Bush last Thursday and has made plans for a transition to the new office if necessary.

"The governor's direction to me was to be prepared. He said, 'Be a good boy scout. Be prepared.' I said, 'Yes sir," Perry said.

He predicted Bush will prevail over Vice President Al Gore but added that the election and his Perry's possible succession is "a little bit up in the air."



Michelle Reeves helps Texas Lt. Gov. Rick Perry give blood in Austin. Perry would assume the office of governor if Republican Gov. George W. Bush wins the presidency.

while donating blood, his first public comments since election night. He said he hasn't spoken with Bush since last week.

"He's obviously got things he needs to be focused on. Perry spoke with reporters We're keeping his staff ap-

prised of what's going on in the state of Texas," Perry said. Perry said he has turned his attention to the upcoming legislative session in January and met recently with Texas House Speaker Pete Laney. Monday was the first day of bill filing and already more than 250 proposals have been introduced.

"I'm preparing for the next session of the Legislature and have been since June 1999," he said. "We know what we're going to be working on. We just don't know which office we're going to be working out

If Perry becomes governor, the 31-member Senate would choose one of its own to replace him. Several senators have campaigned for the job and Perry says he has avoided getting involved. He also refused to speculate on how quickly his successor would be chosen.

Perry has already served many days as Texas' acting governor. Under state law, he assumed the role of acting governor whenever Bush was out of state campaigning.

"I've been the acting governor of the state of Texas probably more days than Governor Bush has over the course of the last nine months," he said.

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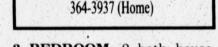
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FOR RENT: 36'X50' Building. 14' Door. South Main, Hereford. Call Gene Brownlow 276-5887.

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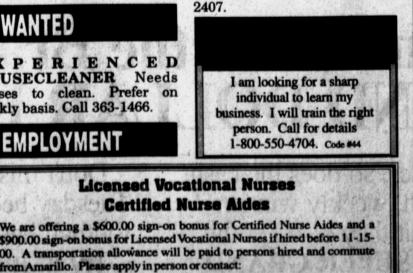
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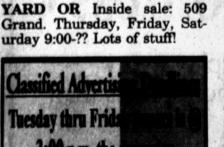
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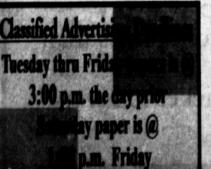


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#### PRESIDENT

- George W. Bush, Republican 3,687;
- Al Gore, Democrat 1,240;
- Harry Browne, Libertarian 8;
- Ralph Nader, Greens 27;
- Pat Buchanan, Reform 21; · David McReynolds, Socialist, 1.
- **U.S. SENATE**
- Kay Bailey Hutchison, Republican 3,734;
- Gene Kelly, Democrat 1,093;
- Mary J. Ruwart, Libertarian 44;
- Douglas L. Sandage, Greens 26. U.S. HOUSE
  - 19th District
- Larry Combest, Republican 3,973; John Turnbow, Libertarian — 429. **RAILROAD COMMISSIONER**
- Charles R. Matthews, Republican 3,420;
- Carolyn Fields, Libertarian 583;
- Gary Dugger, Greens 128.
  RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

#### (Unexpired term)

- Michael L. Williams, Republican 3,308;
- Anthony Garcia, Libertarian 723;
- Charles L. Mauch, Greens 108. SUPREME COURT **Justice**, Place 1
- Nathan Hecht, Republican 3,430;
- Mike Jacobellis, Libertarian 418;
- Ben G. Levy, Greens 208.
- **Justice**, Place 2 Priscilla Owen, Republican — 3,546;
- Joe Alfred Izen Jr., Libertarian 520. **Justice**, Place 3
- Al Gonzales, Republican 3,396; Lance Smith, Libertarian — 708.
- **CRIMINAL APPEALS COURT Presiding Judge**
- Sharon Keller, Republican 3,062; Bill Vance, Democrat — 1,496. Judge, Place 1
- Charles Holcomb, Republican 3,542; Rife Scott Kimler, Libertarian — 439.
- Judge, Place 2 Barbara Parker Hervey, Republican — 3,014;
- William R. Barr, Democrat 1,512.
  - STATE REPRESENTATIVE
    - **District 86**
- John Smithee, Republican 3,878. 7th COURT OF APPEALS Place 1
- Brian Quinn, Republican 3,603.
- Place 2 Don H. Reavis, Republican — 3,596. DEAF SMITH COUNTY Sheriff
- Brent Harrison, Republican 2,872;
- Joe Brown, Democrat 2,111. Assessor-Collector
- Jeannine Zimmerman, Republican 2,491; Teresa Garth, Democrat — 2,402.
- **Commissioner, Precinct 1** Wayne Betzen, Republican — 404;
- Armando Gonzales, Democrat 570. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

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Recount

said local canvassing boards should stop any effort to hand count ballots "pending resolution as to whether any basis exists to modify the certified results" after the deadline.

She also asked that various legal actions around the state be transferred to a court in Tallahassee.

Without question, this court must make it clear that the election of the president and vice president is not a matter of local pleasure," the petition said.

Of the counties where the Gore campaign has sought complete hand recounts, officials in Volusia County had completed them as of Tuesday night; Democratic Party officials said they went to court seeking to force a recount in Broward County; and Miami-Dade voted Tuesday night not to honor the request, although officials said the Gore campaign hoped to overturn that refusal. Officials in heavily Democratic Palm Beach County delayed a

full manual recount Wednesday morning after Harris' petition was filed.

The politics were intense, the legal maneuvering no less so, since the winner of Florida stands to gain an Electoral College majority and take the oath of office Jan. 20 as the nation's 43rd president.

In fast-paced developments Tuesday, Harris said Bush, the GOP presidential candidate, officially held a lead of 300 votes over the vice president out of about 6 million cast, according to totals submitted by all 67 counties in response to her 5 p.m. deadline.

An unknown number of ballots from overseas remained to be counted by midnight Friday night.

Responding to a state court ruling, Harris acknowledged that she might reopen the certified vote totals at a later date to take 'into account manual recounts. She gave counties until 2 p.m. EST today to make their cases for such recounts.

Both sides found something to criticize in that.

William Daley, Gore's campaign chairman, accused Harris of imposing additional "stress and strain" on county officials.

And Karen Hughes, Bush's spokeswoman, said counties controlled by Democrats are not really recounting but rather "reinventing; attempting to reinterpret the results of the election and the intentions of voters by subjective, not objective means."

There was evidence the Gore campaign hoped to muscle up the forces at its disposal. An e-mail circulated to a trial lawyers organization sought at least 500 attorney volunteers to help with recounts in selected counties. A copy of the e-mail was made available to The Associated Press.

Harris reported the totals after a state court ruled she had the right to enforce her deadline, but the counties also had the authority to keep counting.

#### DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR **is LONGFELLOW** One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different. 11-15 CRYPTOQUOTE NVBJCV W LBNVAF CZUAH

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# **INTEREST RATES**

#### Federal Reserve expected to avoid boost to keep the economy running on even keel

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Federal policy. An afternoon announcement was Reserve, after boosting interest rates for more than a year to keep the nation's economy on an even keel, probably will leave rates untouched in coming months barring dramatic downturns in financial markets, economists said.

Many private analysts said the central bank's six rate increases since June 1999 are working to slow to a more sustainable pace a sizzling economy in its longest-ever streak of uninterrupted growth. That, in turn, will help keep inflation under control, they added.

Economic growth, which roared ahead at a 5.6 percent annual rate in the second quarter, slowed dramatically in the July-September quarter to a rate of just 2.7 percent. Consumer spending, a key engine of the economy, has shown signs of cooling a bit as the nation's biggest retailers reported lackluster sales last month.

Two other reports released Wednesday also provided additional evidence of the slowing economy: Industrial production fell 0.1 percent in October, the second decline of the year, and businesses slowed their inventory-building efforts in September.

The Fed has already passed up three chances to raise interest rates further. With evidence mounting that economic growth is moderating, economists widely expect that the Fed will continue to hold rates steady.

The Federal Open Market Committee, comprising Fed board members and regional bank presidents, was meeting privately Wednesday to discuss interest rate changed until next spring.

expected.

"It's close to zero percent that the Fed is going to change interest rates. Everyone would be absolutely shocked if the Fed did anything," said David Levy, an economist at the Levy Institute Forecasting Center in Mount Kisco, N.Y

Policy-makers' deliberations come as Wall Street, which hates uncertainty, has been unsettled by the unresolved presidential election.

Some economists did not rule out the possibility that the central bank could be forced down the road to start cutting rates if election uncevtainty escalates into bigger problems.

"The longer this election stays unsettled, the more likely we are to get volatile financial markets, including a weaker dollar," said David Jones, chief economist at Aubrey G. Lanston & Co., a New York bond firm.

An unexpected fall of the dollar could trigger a rush for the exits by foreign investors, pushing U.S. stocks and bond prices down sharply, Jones said. In that event, he said, the central bank would feel compelled to ride to the rescue, as it did in the autumn of 1998 during the height of the global financial crisis, with interest rate cuts to calm market apprehension.

Unless dramatic developments occur in financial markets, Jones and other analysts said, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and his colleagues probably will leave interest rates un-

## **Arkansas to remove its 'home of' Clinton signs**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Visitors to Arkansas next year will no longer be greeted by signs welcoming them to the "Home of President Bill Clinton."

Dozens of signs along the state border will be removed or painted over with a new message after Clinton leaves office in January, the Arkansas Highway Commission said Tuesday.

Longtime Clinton foe Jim Parsons, who has lobbied to remove the signs, said his nagging finally paid off.

The people maybe do have an influence. If we speak out, perhaps we can turn Arkansas around," he said.

Highway official Dan Flowers said the decision was a purely practical one.

"The president's term is up and we believe it is an appropriate time to make that change," he said. Other states have removed presidential welcome signs after

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Clinton this summer moved a step closer to his post-White House life, changing his voter registration from Arkansas to New York, where he and the first lady have bought a house.

Hillary Rodham Clinton last week became New York's senator-elect and is expected to live in Washington, D.C., and in the Clintons' new home in Chappaqua. Arkansas has 80 state border signs welcoming visitors to Clinton country, with another 18 marking the four towns where he once lived.

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# **Dinosaur species** named for author

RALEIGH, N.C. - Michael Crichton, who brought dinosaurs to life in his best-selling novels, now has a species of the real thing named after him.

Dinosaur specialist Dong Zhiming, lead researcher at Beijing's Institute of Vertebrate Paleontology and Paleoanthropology, said he chose to honor the author of "Jurassic Park" and "The Lost World" because of the popularity of Crichton's works in China.

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Dong presented casts THE ASSOCIATED PRESS newly identified dinosaur to Crichton during a car to Crichton during a ceremony Tuesday at the

North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences.

"Crichton's ankylosaur" is a small, armored planteating dinosaur that dates to the early Jurassic Period, about 180 million years ago. Dong, who identified the species with fossils discovered 62 years ago in southern China, believes it walked on two legs.

#### **Rock Bottom Remainders stage benefit concert**

DENVER - A band whose members are more famous for their writing than their musical abilities kicked off a three-city tour to raise money for children.

The benefit concert Tuesday was the Rock Bottom Remainders' first performance since guitarist and singer Stephen King was hit by a van last summer.

The band, named after the publishing term for books that don't sell, also includes Dave Barry, Amy Tan, Mitch Albom, Kathi Goldmark, Ridley Pearson and Scott Turow.

Turow, who writes legal thrillers, said the group is an "overage garage band who like to play songs that were popular when they were kids.'

Tan arrived at the press conference dressed in a short black leather skirt and carrying a small whip.

"I'm here to represent the discipline of writing," said Tan.

#### Smith masters the greens, loses green

LOS ANGELES — While in Las Vegas preparing for "The Legend of Bagger Vance," actor Will Smith mastered the greens - but he lost a lot of green, too.

In the December-January issue of Maximum Golf, golf coach Ron Del Barrio said he and Smith spent a week in Las Vegas, hitting both the links and the gaming tables. While the trip did good things for Smith's swing, the tables were another story, Del Barrio said

After Smith lost \$60,000 in about 20 minutes, Del Barrio said Smith vowed it would never happen again.

"Ron," he said. "I guarantee you this - you will never see me gamble again."

For the rest of that trip and during several subsequent visits to this gambling Mecca, Smith apparently neld to his word.

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Christmas decor - Holiday decorations go beyond the simple tree, wreath and garland. Many hand-crafted Christmas decorations will be available during the Festival of Trees auction Friday night at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center.

# Ebola death toll at 113

KAMPALA, Uganda (AP) ----The death toll in Uganda's Ebola outbreak has risen to 113 after three more people. died in the last two days, but no new cases have been reported, a health official said Wednesday.

The three deaths occurred in Gulu, 225 miles north of Kampala, where the outbreak

was first confirmed on Oct. 14, said Sam Okware, head of a national task force set up to deal with the epidemic.

Authorities had hoped to contain the disease in Gulu. In the last two weeks, cases have been confirmed in two districts hundreds of miles from the town!

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#### been in Gulu and then left. Four people died of the

OXFORD, England (AP) -The man accused of trying to kill George Harrison believed his entire life was heading toward a confrontation with the former Beatle, a psychiatrist testified Wednesday.

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Harrison's wife, Olivia. to two counts of attempted Three psychiatrists told the murder in connection with a jury in Oxford Crown Court Dec. 30 attack at Harrison's that Abram has suffered from home in Henley-on-Thames, severe paranoid schizophrenia He is accused of breaking since 1990.

# KACV

## Perspective' looks at people and community

Special to The Brand AMARILLO — Studies indicate that individuals are becoming increasingly disconnected from the communities in which they live.

They're less active in the election process, in church, in PTAs, in service groups, and in a number of other areas that have long been the backbone for a strong society. What are the factors contributing to this trend, and what can be done to reverse it? These are some of the questions that will be addressed on "Perspective: Re-connecting the Community" at 8 p.m. Thursday on local PBS affiliate KACV-TV.

"Getting people involved in the community where they live is vital to the well being of both the individual and our society," said Larry Lemmons, the program pro-ducer and host. "The Nov. 7 election shows that political involvement can make a significant difference in community life when more voters are moved to cast their ballots."

Joining Lemmons in the KACV-TV studios for the live hour-long discussion will be James Hunt, Paul Matney, Beth Duke, Laurie Cizon, Twyla Woolsey and Pinkie Porcher among others. Viewers are encouraged to reply to the list of questions about "Reconnecting Community" posted on the TV station's web site, kacvtv.org by noon the day of the program, and to , phone in questions and

comments during the show. "Perspective: Reconnecting the Community" will be repeated will be repeated in its entirety at 5 p.m. Nov. 19 on KACV-TV.

**Psychiatrist: Defendant obsessed with Beatles** magic, Dr. Nigel Eastman told

