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Mexico wacross the fexas Pan-
move handie and combine with a
cold front to produce some cold firont to produce some
precipitation across much of the state, according to As-
sociated Press weather reIt will be partly cloudy across West fexas tonight
and Friday with cooler temperatures forecast for the Panhandie. There is a slight
chance of showers through Friday.
Lhe mid tonight will be in northern Panhandle and in
the 30 s and 40 s elsewhere Highs Friday will be mostiy in the 50 s and 60 s , ranging
from the mid 40 s in the Panhandle to the lower 70 e in the Big Bend area. Noorth rexas will have ditions tonight with a chance ior thunderstorms that may
reach severe levels in central and eastern areas. There is a slight chance of thun-
derstorms in western sections.

## PLAYOF

## Hercford

Hewitt Midway (11-2)
2 p.m.Saturday
Abilene $\square$
Tickets for the game are on sale at Troy's Sweet Shop,
1003 E. Park Ave. Ticket rices are Po Ave. Tickel $\$ 3$ for students. Tickets at the
gate will be $\$ 7$.
How to get to Shotwell From Interstate
Business 1 20, exit ${ }^{80}$. Continue on Highway 80 to Treadway Boulevard. Tum right (south) on Treadway and continue to South $11^{\mathrm{m}}$ Street. Turm east on South $111^{\text {m }}$ Texas Fairgrounds and Taylor Texas Fairgrounds and Taylor
County Coliseum. Showell County
Stadium will be on the left side of the stree.

## SANTA BEAR?



Mey be irt not ine ' yolly old ell,' but this carved bear is decorated Ior Chiletmas, complete wth stocking cap, ecarl and beg of goodies. The bear, which was caved by an artican in Ruidoso, N.M., stande by the entrance to Beaver's Machine inc., 302 E. 3 rd.

## Residents get warning about 'trust' scheme <br> Dy Dianna F. Dandrideo <br> tant is what they are not saying,"

Scam artists are on the prowl again and Texas Bar Association, local attorneys and accountants are
warning residents to beware of individuals trying to sell them a living trust.
Hereford attorney Ted Wimberley said living trusts originated in Calivent that state's probate system. He said they first appeared about 10 years ago in Houston
"These documents cause lots of grost use I've seen for these documents is as a profit center for, a certain group of attorneys. They're
very difficult to maintain, costly to very difficult to maintain, costly to
maintain, and no more efficient than other simpler documents. The general person does not fully under-
stand them." stand them."
Wimberley Dallas and other large cities from approached a few residents, some of whom have been taken in and spent unnecessary mon
they don't need.
documents these are just empty forred into Nothing has been trans sumer is getting nothing for An Aney, "imberley said. 1099 isue of the Texas Bar Journal estimates con artists make millions of dollars
every year selling unnecessery true every year selling unnecessary trusts.
Consumers lose anywhere from $\$ 500$ Consumers lose anywhere from $\$ 500$
to $\$ 5,000$ with these purchases. Wimberley estimates the losses at more than $\$ 1,500$.
The Journal $\mathbf{w}$
The Journal warns that families
often face greater costs after the often face greater costs after the
consumer's death, all because of problems resulting from the trusts.
"Attorneys and scam artists pro
mote living trusts as a means ons. mote living trusts as a means of
saving taxes and avoiding probate saving taxes and avoiding probate.
This sounds good, but what's impor-

He pointed out that certain accounts, such as IRA, and retirements can nolone could make an estate have to go through probate process. ing trusts take effect now said livpending on the wording, can be changed until one party dies.
Hoelscher said they are extremely complicated and consumers "need to be careful who they are dealing with
when they make any major purwhen they make any major pur-
chase.
Both attorneys mentioned items that are not handled within the bounds of the trust are still liable
for probate process. There are benefits to the living trusts, Wimberly said.
"It can avoid probate costs and it
can provide managenent for finan can provide management for finanmultiple real properties in a number of states, there are less expensive and less complicated means of doing the same thing," he said.
Scam artists and uneth
Scam artists and unethical attor-
neys target the older residents, usuneys target the older residents, usu-
ally because they have the money to purchase such a document plus they are beginning to look at the possibi-
ity of their own deaths. The State Bar of Texas has issued
a advisory opinion regarding adveran advisory opinion regarding adver-
tising and promoting living trusts tising and promoting living trusts
for attorneys. Attorneys are not supposed to advocate a living trust over a will or vice-versa. Attorneys should
present pros and cons of both wills and living trusts.
Wimberley suggests anyone who is approached about the purchase of torney they trust and have wills, durable power of attorneys,
healthcare power of attorney and advanced directive to attorney and plained before they decide.

## Many elderly feel forgotten during holidays

There are times when the senior citizens of the commuhity who ore confine to res cace may feel neglected and forgot-
ten. The Christmas season can prove especially poignant for them. Many have no family or
friends to visit them, and a friends to visit them, and a
special gift may seem beyond their hope.
of CSF donors, the less-fortunate senior citizens of Here-
ford and Deaf Smith don't go forgotten during the The anonymous committee young and the elderly a high

## Slates reaprl <br> States report gains, but fall short of goals

 WASHINGStates have progres in improving their
educational systems, but overeducational systems, but over-
all the nation will not meet by 2000 the goals in reading math, graduation rates and other measures that a national commission set a decade ago,
a panel reported today. a panel reported today. National Educational Goals panel said, is that more U.S. preschool children are starting school in better health and
with better reading skills; more middle school students are also reading better, and
everyone is making strides in everyone is making strides in
math. math.
More going to college and more are going to college and more are science, said the panel, charged with measuring the eight edu-
cation goals set over the decation goals set over the de-
cade by Presidents Bush and

Clinton and
nation's
governors. The improvements
called for in the Na tional Education goals are as important to-
day as they were 10 years ago," said Ken-
tucky Gov Patton, who heads the Patton, who heads the
bipartisan panel of bipartisan panel of
governors, state law-
makers and members makers and members
of Congress. "I urge every
state to state to make them a priority
and to continue working toand to continue work.
ward their attainment." But progress toward goals
for improved teacher prepara for improved teacher prepara-
tion, school safety and parent tion, school safety and parent
participation has stalled or participation has stailed or
worsened since the goals were established, according to in-
formation gleaned from the formation gleaned from the
states for the panel's last restates for the pane
port of the decade. port of the decade.
In 1990, after Bush and the


In 1990, after President Bush and the nation's governors held an education nation's governors and business leaders held an educa-
tion summit, six goals were adopted to target preschool preparation, high school
graduation, student achievegraduation, student achieve-
ment in basic subjects, ment in basic subjects,
achievement in math and science compared with other nations, school safety, and adult literacy and job skills.
Please see GOALS, Page AO

Routinely, the CSF committee obtains information on a
list of needy rest home residents who could use a little extra Christmas cheer, and with the assistance of local vouchers for just that purpose. Those funds are usually used
for personal items desired by for personal items desired by
the residents such as snacks and toiletries, and occasionally are used to cover special
needs. The CSF gifts to elderly a gesture from the whole community that these people are reme
at a time of the year when staple goods that are boxed
the message is especially and delivered. needed and meaningful. You can help CSF to make the holiday a bit more cheer-
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fortunate mater fol for as many of the less
fortunate members of the com-
munity as possible munity as possible through
your generous gift. your generous gift.
CSF extends ass
$\qquad$ with food, utilities, medical and pharmacy bills, and cloth-
ing. All assistance, with the ing. All assistance, with the
exception of food, is via vouchers payable to the merchants, utilities, or medical facilities
cooperating with CSF cooperating with CSF. Food as-
sistance is in the form of

## USDA sees little ag export gains

Farmerington (AP) - Since Auguat, projected ex: money on their mapoes next beans have dropped by 5.4 milyear are unilikely to get much $\begin{aligned} & \text { lion tons, accorrding to a sum- } \\ & \text { help from overseas, The } \\ & \text { Asti. } \\ & \text { mary of the reort }\end{aligned}$

 year
The main problem at the
moment seems to be that the moment seems to be that the
production in other countries is much stronger than had been expected. That's pushing
the prices down," Carolyn the prices down," Carolyn with the department's Economic Research Service, said in an interview Wednesday.
USDA projected in August that farm exports would grow by $\$ 1$ billion to $\$ 50$ billion for the 2000 budget year, which
began $O c t .1$. But began Oct. 1. But the depart-
ment now says in a report to be released shortly that agriculture exports will remain at $\$ 49$ billion in fiscal 2000 because of growing
grain worldwide.
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This year's primary assis-
nce delivery date is Dec. 22 . Donations to CSF may
be made in-person at the
Hereford Brand, 318 N. Lee, Hereford Brand, 818 N. Lee,
or mailed to CSF in care of The Brand at Box in care, Hereford, 79045. Those contribu-
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## HEREFORD BRAND <br> Local roundup

# Christmas for childien application 

 A Group of local volunteers is working with the Deaf Smith County Social Services to help children in our communityreceive a Christmas gift through the "Christmas for Children" program. Applications for the program will be taken at the
Hereford Food Pantry, 609 E. Park, Suite 2 , from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 7. For more information on the program, contac

Lettors to Santa deadiline Parents and teachers wishing to get children's letters to
Santa published in the special Christmas edition of the Hereford Brand, Sunday Dec. 19, should get the letters to the
Brand office no later than Monday, Dec. 6. Letters can be sent the Brand office

## Hereford Migh School open house

 Staff at Hereford High School will host an open house, Monday, Dec. 6, from 6-7:30 p.m. A style show, presented by theHHS Modeling Club, will follow the $7: 30$ p.m. parent meeting, in the auditorium

## PLN schedules guitar concert

The Promised Land Network will host a classical guitar concert, Sunday Dec. 5 at 5 p.m. at he Home Mercantile in
Nazareth. The concert will celebrate Christmas and the German heritage. Admission is $\$ 5$ per person. A German-style
dessert social will begin at $4: 30$.

## Hollday craft show and sale

The Wesiey United Methodist Church will host its $19{ }^{\text {th }}$
Annual Festival of Arts and Crafts Show 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Hereford Community Center. During the Tickets are $\$ 1$ each and can be purchased from any crafter or

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News digest

## Mass grave reveals six bodies

 CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) - Usinngground-piercing oflici, , have ellowly unearthed what appear, to be the remainsof six people on a desert ranch near the U.S. border. of six people on a desert ranch near the U.S. border.
Authorities believe the bodies of as many as 100 people Auspected victims of of rue tranfickers - conuld be buried on four
ranches in the area near Ciudad Juarez, a city across the bordiud from El Paso, Texas.
Ciudad Juarez is the home base for the Juarez drug cartel,
which was Mexicos largest and most violent drug-smuggling FBI forensics experts, working side-by-side with Mexican soldiers and ski-masked police, uncovered the apparent remains, along with clothing, belts and shoes, behind a barn at
the Rancho la Campana, 10 miles southwest of Ciudad Juarez. the Rancho a Campana, 10 miles solthesest of Ciudad Juarez.
The remains have been located in a ery specific area. The
bodies heve been found very close together, one atop another." bodies have been found very close together, one atop another,"
said Jose Earrieta Carrasco head of the organized crime unit for Mexico's attorney general's office.

Court considers in-vitro birth rights AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - The Texas Supreme Court was asked on wednesiay to determine whether a man has a parental
right to his ex-wife's daughter, whose birth resulted from a frozen embryo the cupple created when still married.
But the justices will have to make their decision But the justices will have to make their decision - which is expected next year - with little legal guidance. The state has
no laws directly addressing the rights attached to an embryo created in a laboratory.
"This is truly a case where technology is outpacing the law." said attorney Lynne Liberato in todays editions of The Dallas
Morning News. Ms. Liberato is representing Mildred Schmit, the mouther of the giril. Don McGill and Ms. Schmit divorced in August 1996 after ${ }^{\text {a }} 20$ - year marriage. Ms. Schmit wanted
another child and mbryo they produced in 1994.
ex-husband promised that he wouldn't pursue parental status. ex-husband promised that he wouldn't pur
But McGill denies making such a promise.

## Owner charged in sexual assault

 COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) - Police say additional charges may be filed against the owner of a College Station-based modeling agency who has been charged in the sexual assault of two of his underage clients.
Behroo Daffarian, 43, of Bryan, has been charged with two
counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child and one count of counts of aggravated sex
sexual assault of a child.
Daftarian, who was being held in the Brazos County Jail on Daftarian, who was being held in the Brazos County Jaii on
addinesday night in lieu of $\$ 1.2$ million bond, may face
addional charges for having inappropriately photographed and videotaped others, police say.
Daftarian, who also ${ }^{\text {is }}$ known by the first name Bruce, is the
owner of Doug Hunters Enterrises, photography studio.
The agency's Web site advertises for models of all ages, and The agency's Web site advertises for models of all ages, and
states that Daftarian photographs for major department stores.

## ELSEWHERE

EDWARDS-WIRETAPS: A Aederal judge in Louisiana is
considering whether to throw out federal wiretape that led to two indictments against former LLouisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards. going into Mexico took effect Wednesarday, frustrating travelers
 pay a refundable deposit of up to $\$ 800$. ... BRICK ATTACK: A man has been charged at New York City in the brick attack on
Nicole Barrett, a Texas native who had moved to the big city.


## Pawn shop gun transactions decline

DENVER (AP) -
Pasternack, says many of his Pasternack, says many of his
cilints are frustrated a year
after a federal law mandated background checks on customers redeeming their guns. mounting paperwork and even mailungtioning computers
have discouraged sales of have discouraged sales of
pawned guns. all the forms, they might have to wait three or four days and miss their hunting trip(" he
said on Tuesday. said on Tuesday. isn't limited to Denverr. Pawnshop gun inventories across
the nation have declined as much as 70 percent in the year following the enacting of
the Brady Act, store owners
${ }^{\text {say. }}$ EzCorp, Inc., which has 325 started phasing out handgun sales about a year ago in some
markets and is considering markets and is considering
phasing out guns altogether phasing out guns altogether.
Gary
Bennett, Downtown Bennetr manager of Ocala, Fla., said he, too, con-
sidered eliminating gun trans. actions, but ${ }^{\text {II }}$ decing gun our con-
stitutional rights were important."
Tom H.
tor of the National Pawnbrokers Associational Pawnorosumer resistance to the chocke for cutting pawnshop gun inmillion 3 weapons to an estimated 3 million firearms as
Tuesday. As a result, Horn said, hundreds of thousands of gun own-
ers who want to get cash for ers who want to get cash for
their weepons are increasingly bypassing the checks with un-
regulated private transactions or street sales.
Horn said most association members agree that anyone should first pass a background check. But members opposed the law when it was applied
to those redeming their own guns.

## New Yorkers begin reading Santa letters

NEW YORK (AP) - The York took one letter, everyone
letters were addressed to the could have a merry Christjolly old elf himself, but for those reading Santa's mail, it
was hard to keep a joyous ${ }^{\text {face. }}$.Some of these just break your heart," said Jean Jear braw,
her eyes mast her eyes misty as she read a
letter from a child in Garnerville, N.Y. "He says he and his family just want toys
and they dontt care if theyre used, because his mother has
no money
"If every person in New


Car ve. truck -- A late afternoon accident in the Homeland parking lot sent one woman, Sharon Johnson, 55, to Hereford Regional Medical Center with non-lifit threatening injuries. Police reports indicate Johnson, in a 1992 Lincoln, was walting to pull out onto 25 Mile Avenue when Gilberto Armendaris, driving an 88 Cheyr Flatbed truck, turned striking the
head on. Armendaris was cited for negligent colision.

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## Activities reported by emer- was reported in the 300 block

gency services personnel for of Bradley.

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Many pawnshops depend on
the revenue from gun owners whe revenue from gun owners
who who pawn their weapon for a
limited time and then return to redeem it for the original price plus an accrued charge. ever, the returning ever, the returning customer
is subject to a background
check to ensure there are no check to ensure there are no
criminal convictions or other criminal convictio
deterring factors.
Federal law currently bans gun purchases by people convicted or under indictment for
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mentally ill and those with mentally yable military dis.
dishonorable charges.
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An estimated 12.4 million
firearms are sold each year in firearms are sold each year in before the law went into efbefore the law went into ef-
fect, an additional 2.5 million transactions were made by owners buying back a firearm
from a pawnshop. Bea Witzleben
gun policy maker for the Justice Department, said 160,000 people have been denied guns
since the law took effect. About 8.7 million background checks have been performed. The recent suicide of a
mother of a student paralyzed mother of a student paralyzed
in the April 20 Columbine High School massacre brought
renewed attention to the connection between guns and
pawnshops. pawnshops.
But pawnshop deelers said the suicide hasn't led to a
mass exodus from the gun business. Unilike his father's store, vorted as a child, the recently vonovated family, pawnshop is just as likely to sell a Rolex as a gun, jewelry or even a
Y2K-compatible generator.

Celobrate the eflilidren - The Deaf Smith County Welfare Board and Hereford State. Bank sponsors the annual Christmas Wish Tree for Panhandie foster children. decorated with cut-out paper bears. Each bear on the tree is designated to one foster child and they have written their name, age and what they want for Christmas. Simply take a bear from the tree, purchase the gift and return the tag with gift to Hereford State Bank. Children, such as these three boys, from Deaf Smith County assisted making and coloring the bears.

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corst City post office dug into their own pockets to buy food and
toys for children who faced toys for children who faced
empty Christmas stockings empty Christmas stockings
just because their letters addressed to Santa Claus were
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Today, about a third of the
letters are "adopted" by volunletters are "adopted" by volun-
teers who answer the letters teers who answer the letters,
deliver gifts or raise money for a charity.
"Food, clothing, shoes, $\ldots$...
some of the 'Dear Santa' let-
ters make you weep, others some of the 'Dear Santa' let-
ters make you weep, others
are really amusing," said Pete are really amusing," said Pete
Fontana, who is coordinating this year's effort at New Yo
City's main post office. One child asked Santa for
a million dollars in cash and a million dollars in cash and
one of every toy he makes," he
said Others letters are more serious.
"One kid, his father passed

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## obituaries


away and his mother is in a
hospital with cancer, and he asked for something for his
sister - he didn't even want sister - he didn't even want said. Postal officials expect Postal officials expect
250,000 letters from post of fices around the world this year, a record total.
There's an crease in volume this year, Fontana said, noting the roceipt of 100,000 letters already. That's "about ${ }^{40,000}$ le Although some states now have their own programs, Fontana said the Now York
post office handles the bulk of post office handles the bulk of
the letters from the East Coast region - and many from around the nation and the Volunteers at computers punch in the return addresses
of letters that have been adopted, to make sure only
one letter per family is an-
swered.
Phyllis St. John, a dental
consultant in New York, said she has taken part in Operayears. ${ }^{\text {I }}$ guess I just got tired of buying things for people who really don't need anything there's a lot of people who do

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## LIFESTYLES

# Decking the walls 

In preparation for the annual museum open house Sunday


Mistorical secioty mombers worked outside and putting up Cristmas decorations. County residents will be putting
able to enjoy the decorations from $2-4$ p.m. Sunday during the Christmas Open House, hosted by the Deaf Smith
County Historical Society.

## Society expresses appreciation for community support

A Christmas Open House will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on
Sunday at the Deaf Smith County Museum, hosted by the Deaf Sunday at the Deaf Smith Coun
Smith County Historical Society
Refreshments will be served throughout the afternoon. The open house is sponsored annually by the historical society as a special thanks to county residents for their support.
Music will be provided by the Jack Nunley Band and by Alice

Pell, music director at First United Methodist Church. A feature of last year's open house which proved popular was a variety demonstrations on making Christmas arrangements by Terry Sparks, making bows by Carmen Flood and pulling taffy candy by various members of the historical society.
All Deaf Smith County residents are invited to attend.

Creators Syndicate
Ann Landers


## Quick-to-make holiday breads

Celebrate the holiday season by making some tasty new quickprofessionals at Pioneer Flour proiessionals at Pioneer Four featuring our favorite flavor of the season - pumpkin.
about thirty minutes make finish," Wendy Hagerman, research and development specialist for Pioneer Flour Mills,
said. "When you start with biscuit and baking mix, the list of ingredients is shorter and they're just simply faster to stir together." adds a crunchy stexturel topping flavor to these moist and delicious pumpkin quick breads.
Christmas is the perfect time to show your appreciation to
those you hold dear and nothing expresses appreciation like something homemade.
Both of these recipes make enough to share - so share either Oatmeal Streusel or the Pumpkin Bread with Streusel Nut Topping. Pumplkin-Pecan Mutins with Oatmeal Streusel baking mix
1 cuppacked light brown sugar 1/2cupchopped pecans, toasted 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon 2 large eggs, beaten 1 can ( 1502. ) pumplain
$1 / 2$ cup low.-fat buttermilk or
$1 / 2$ cup vegetable or canola oil

Oatmeal Streusel 1/2cup chopped pecans baking mix 1/3 cup packed light brown
1/3 cupold for $1 / 4$ cup ( $1 / 2$ stick) butter or margarine, melted biscuit and baking mix, 3 cups brown sugar, $1 / 2$ cup pecans, cinnamonand cloves. Inmedium owmpkin, buttermilk and oil. Gently stir pumpkin mixture into dry ingredients just until
dry ingredients are moistened. dry ingredients are moistened.
Spoon about $1 / 4$ cup batter into each of 24 muffin cups coated with cooking spray. In small bowl, stir together streusel
ingredients until crumbly. ingredients until crumbly.
Sprinkle over batter. Bake at Sprinicle over batter. Bake at
375 degrees for 20 to 24 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center of a muffin comes out Pumplesn Bread with Streuteel Nut Topping 4 cups buttermilk biscuit and baking mix
$11 / 4$ cups granulated sugar 1 teaspoons ground cimnamon 2 large eggs, beaten
1 can 1502 ) 1 can ( 15 oz.). pumpkin
1 cup low-fat buttermilk 3/4cupvegetable or canola oil $1 / 2$ cup chopped pecans or
1/3cupbuttermilk biscuit and

baking mix
1/3cup granulated sugar $1 / 3$ cup old-fashioned oats
$1 / 4$ cup (12/ stick) butter or 1/4 cup (12/ stick) butter or
margarine, melted In large bowl, combine 4 cups biscuit and baking mix, $11 / 4$ cups sugar, cinnamon and cloves. In
medium bowl stir medium bowl, sir together eggs,
pumpkin, buttermilk and oil. Gently stir pumpkin mixture into dry ingredients until thoroughly combined. Pour batter into two $9 \times 5 \times 3$-inch loaf pans that have
been coated with cooking spray. been coated with cooking spray.
In small bowl, stir together streusel ingredients until crumbly. Sprinkle over batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 60 to 65 minutes or
until toothpick inserted in center until toot thpick inserted in center
of loaf comes out clean. Cool in pans for 10 minutes; remove from pans. Cool completely on wire rack. Makes 2 loaves.
Helpful Tip. When Hiscuit and baking mix easuring spoon mix into nested (dry) measuring cup/s. Using a metal
spatula or straight-edged knife, spatula or straig
level off the top.




Bird houses made by Rick Riley will be for sale, along with a wide variety of other craft items by local and area artisans, during the Wesley Arts and Crafts Show Saturday from 9 a.m.. 5 p.m. in
Hereford Community Center. The annual fund-ralser is hosted Hereford Community Center. The ann
by Wesley United Methodist Church.

What's Happening


AMARILLO
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"Crimes of the Heart" will open at 8 p.m. Friday on the Amarillo Little Theatre stage with perfor-
mances continuing Dec. $4,9,10$ mances continuing Dec. 4, 9, 10
and 11 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 5 and 12
at $2: 30$ p.m.
This Pulitzer Prize-winning play is set in Hazlehurst, Miss., have gathered to await news of the family patriarch, their grandfather, who is living out his ast hours in a local hospital. Cast members are Sara Zinck,
Stephanie Willhite, Peggy Lansing Shane Bybee, Julie Yock and Rephen Lummus.
Reservations may be secured - by call 355-9991

A model train display in
Western Plaza, sponsored by the Aestern Plaza, sponsored by the
Amarillo Railroad Museum, will be open throughout December on
Fridays from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 8 p.m.
The realistic trains roll along complexes, towering bridges and disappear into rock-covered unnels.
Admission is $\$ 1$ for adults and proceeds from the show will go to funding a railroad museum in Amarillo.
LUBBOCK
The Lubbock Municipal Garden and Arts Center will host several
creative workshops this holiday season and will also host the from Dec. 6-29
Participants in the workshops
will have he will have the opportunity to make a variety of holiday related items
including wreaths, ornaments and jewelry. artist Florence Lawrence will instruct a Copper Enameling
workshop for adults. Participants will learn the art of copper
enameling and will be able to make several items such as jewelry, pins, ornaments or belt
buckles. Floral designer Connie Holland will instruct a wreath-making workshop from 6-8:30 p.m. on
Dec. 7. Participants will learn the basic elements of design while hey make their own holidey On Dec. 13 and 15, from 6-9 p.m., Lawrence will lead a Mosaic on how to make mosaic ornaments.
Lawrence will also teach two
Memories.




105 GREEWOOD - 304 6S33 - HERECO for children age 6-12 years old. ondec. 11 and 18 from $9: 30-11: 30$ a:m. Children will create a mixed media piece of art with holiday
themes. The National Arts Program Exhibition will feature the mixed media artwork of Lubbock Municipal employees and their
family members. family members.
The garden and
selected Gale Webb and Jim Swafford as the jurors in this artistic competition.
They will award cash prizes and scholarship for art class to contributions in the field of fine
arts. arts.
Th These prizes will be awarded at a reception from 5:30-7 p.m. on
Dec. 14 at the Lubbock Garden and Arts Center, 4215 University Avenue.
For mo
For more information on the workshops or the
$806-767-3724$.
FRIONA
The combined voices of 84 musicians from Friona, Hereford,
Amarillo, Bovina, Muleshoe, Amarilo, Bovina, Muleshoe,
Dimmitt and Broadview, N.M., will herald the coming of the Christmas season as they yresent
traditional and modern selections in the 1999 Living Christmas Tree, again directed by Jim
Parker. Parformances will be in the Performances will be in the
Friona Junior High Auditorium Friona Junior High Auditorium
at $7: 30$ p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday. No tickets are being distributed. Admission is free; the costs of new lighting and decorations will be welcome.
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The Plower - Hereford offensive tackle Trey Madrigal dumps Weatherford's Chris Wilke into the ground to provide running tor Hewitt Midway Panther team that held Mesquite Poteet to 150 yards total offense in a $27-0$ victory in the Region II final.

Hewitt Midway Panthers stand in the way of a state championship berth for Hereford




# Lemmon，Azaria re－create＇Tuesday＇s With Morrie＇ 



The Simpsons＂and has ap． peared in＂The Birdcage，＂ films．
Settling down over a late－
morning brealfast，and after Lemmon＇s well－behaved poodle， Zoe，has been o surprised they
let me stay，＂ jokes Azaria）， the actors dis cussed＂Tues－
days With Mays With
Morrie＂and its effect on them．
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count？ LTCKIITHON $\begin{aligned} & \text { I ust to death with } \\ & \text { a stick peeling of }\end{aligned}$ Me mmon：＂He（Morrie＇）didn＇t a layer every day Morrie＇s con－take anything for to find something tinual drive to granted，above all more．Now，and I make something relationships and think this is purely that would be feelings aboutlove and and done more， useful to other friendship．＂ people．You get an appreciation and awareness you．He says at ane point，
We＇ll take a walk in Well take a walk in the paint，
with trees．We can watch the with trees．We can watch the justs．something you take for just something you take for
granted．He didn＇t take any－ granted．He diant take any－ relationships and feelings about love and friendship＂．
Azaria：＂Ive read Azaria：＂T＇ve read a lot of
New Age stuff，self－help stuff， and found a lot of it very
useful． useful．
living bridge to all this is a takes it out of the hypotheti－
cal．He seems like he has no
problem with his illness；he＇s processed it all and is bravely out ．．．he＇s terrified as anyone else．He＇s found a way to feel
it all and yet be open about Q：Was your preparation for your preparation for
this film，based on this film，based on
a book that so many people have
embraced，different
than usual？＂I tried
Azaria： o stay as open as I culd．I looked at his as＇Let＇s see what happens here．＇
tend
to overprepare．＂
Lemmon：＂That＇s nteresting，so do I． o see what the other actors are going to do and don＇t put anything in cement． ＂He（nodding at Azaria）has because I waited and really reacted a lot to do what his character，Mitch，was doing．＂ Azaria：＂It helps having and Lemmmon there to watch and trust and work off of．It thing to do，which is just what Morrie would have
Q：Did either of you have a
Morrie，a mentor，in your life？

Lemmon：＂I think my dad，yes．He said，＇Good．Because an extent．He had certain Morrieisms he came up with things he ever said to me slid by me for a second．When I got out of college and wanted o go to New York to try to
be an actor，I asked to borrow $\$ 300$ ．He was in the baking industry．I told him T＇ve got
to find out．He said＇So to find out．＇He said，＇So you making such＂Tuestance of need to do it？I said yes．He Morrie＂stick with you more

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than other projects？
yes．He said，＇Good．Because， the day I don＇t find romance
in a loaf of bread，I＇ll quit．＇ in a loar of bread，rll quit．＂
Azaria：＂An acting teacher I had for about five years，a man named Roy London who passed away about five years ago．He just taught me so
much it would be hard not to think of him．＂ Making such＂Tuesdays With

Azaria：＂Every day on the folm we put our hands on this wonderful lesson，this way of easy to live that way．I miss
Lemmon：＂This sticks with you．The more interesting the character，the to happen．＂
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## Goals

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ing and parent involvement were added in 1994 under the Serious challenges remain on all eight goals, panel mem-
bers acknowledged but many educators said that didn't mean bers acknowledged, but many educators said that didn't mean the "I mssion was a failure. these goals during the 10 -year period, said Sharon Lynn "The national education goals panel has created hope, dreams and opportunities for millions of children in this nation." Rep. Bill Goodling, R-Pa., a goals panel member and chair-
man of the House Education and the Workforce Committee, said the goals have prompted states to improve individually. "They took the goals as a real challenge," Goodling said. The whole idea of setting goals and getting the American people to think about education has helped a lot of enlight-
ened governors win support from their state assemblies in order to move reform programs."
The panel's report found that Colorado, Connecticut, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina and Texas have shown the biggest improvement in meeting the goals during the
1990s. Maine, Connecticut and North Dakota are the states that consistently do the best, as measured by how closely they meet the goals. Connecticut, the District of Columbia and North Carolina were cited for strides made in numerous
categories.
Despite the praise for states, some observers have asked Despite the praise for states, some observers have asked
whether policy-makers set unrealistic goals or whether states failed an easy task.
Chester Finn, a former assistant secretary of education in
the Reagan administration, argues for fundamental change in the Reagan administration, argues for fundamental change in
the way schools are run, including giving more freedom from the way schools are run, including giving more freedom from
regulations, yet more responsibility to graduate successful students.
"After all the celebrations, millions of American kids will remain badly educated," he said. "How chareserich structures and programs at them. We end up keeping the structures but not solving the problems.
The full report is available on the panel's Web site at woww.negp.gov.

## Hog farms split towns, families

SHARON SPRINGS, Kan. Panhandle for a possible hog-
(AP) - Calling western Kan- processing plant, Hereford was sas "ground zero" for huge hog farms, residents are ral lying against a growing num-
ber of farmers who have ser of farmers who have dustry giant. The issue has dominated nvironmental debates in several states over the past sev-
eral years. In Kansas, it is divíing communities and, in some cases, families.
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A site in Kansas was selected.) A site in Kansas was selected.
Industry observers say Sea board would need nearly 200 such contracts to supply the million head per year it would Bend processing plant. Western Kansas is ground zero for big hog farms," said The issue has hit hard Iris Graham. Five years ago Iris Graham. Five years ago,
she pulled together fellow have been cir-
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filed with state regulators.
The outcry has brought of has brought or-
ficials from the ficiais from the
Kansas Department of
Health and En fironment to
towns like Sharon Springs, a community of 870 closer to
Denver than Kansas City Denver than Kansas City
Once there, they hear plenty Once there, they hear plenty
about the farms, and specifically, the wastewater permits requested by hog farmers. The people of the cities
have the right to have enough have the right to have enough
good clean water so we can good clean water so we can
continue our way of life," said Ernest Poe, the mayor of
Enaid
Shat Sharon Springs, at
day night hearing.

## There were mo

million hog farms across the country 30 years ago. Now yet production has been fore cast at record highs.
As the farms have grown larger, public attention has focused on the huge amounts of
manure they produce. Amid manure they produce. Amid concerns over air and weter - as well as the consolidation of farms - more than a
dozen states have attempted dozen states have attempted
to boost oversight of the in-
So far, Kansas farmers have
sequested at least 20 permits equested at least 20 permits to raise animals for the giant Seaboard Farms.
(When Seaboard Farms was

## Exports

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expert at Iowa State University, said he thinks that USDA is Deing too pessmmistic.
Demand for meat has been steadily growing throughout the region, which should increase sales of both U.S. meat an but not fast enough" to supply their needs, he said.
USDA expects exports of U.S. beef and pork are expected to rise from 1.6 million tons this year to 1.7 million tons in fiscal But But exports of corn are expected to drop to $\mathbf{4 7 . 5}$ million tons he department. Shipments of wheat are projected to drop to 27.9 million tons, down from 28.8 million this year.

Americans are expected to import $\$ 38$ billion worth o oreign agricultural products over the next year, a slight
ncrease over fiscal 1999. U.S. demand for foreign fruit egetables, juice and wine remains high because the strength of the dollar makes them relatively inexpensive to American Consumers, USDA says.
Nearly half of U.S. wheat is grown for export and about 20 pergent of the corn.
Wheat prices are averaging about $\$ 2.50$ a bushel this year
down from $\$ 3.38$ in 1997. Corn is selling for about $\$ 1.80$ a down from $\$ 3.38$ in 1997 . Corn is selli
and and his brother has signed a contract to raise piga for Seaboard.
"It is a very divisive issue
to a community and to a fam to a community and to a famurs," she said.
Her nephew, Todd Graham has asked 16,200 -hog farm I did a year's worth o research before I made my decision," he said. "A lot of sion and they are trying to sion and they are trying, to Graham said the operation farm. diversify the family' ${ }^{-1}{ }^{\text {Thism }}$ aid. "It is into agriculture," he said. "It is a tough industry to work into when you ar Among those who testified against the permit was ${ }_{\text {It }}$ It is World War Hu house every day," she "said ater. She said she is no longer speaking "Dad is - but it's not so much speaking as yelling," she said. "There is hate, sadness discontent."

## Bush: Gore lacks backbone on trade

JOHNSTON, Iowa (AP) Against the backdrop of vio
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trade talks, Republican presitrade taiks, Republican presi-
dential front-runner George W.
Bush stood firm for fre Bush stood firm for free trade
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Gore has the backbone to do
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Gore, a supporter of world
trade, is at odds over the mattrade, is at odds over the matter with the same labor unions
whose help he needs in his
fight for the Democratic nomifight for
nation. nation.
"I'm not sure what (Gore's) I'm not sure what (Gore's) Tositions are," Bush said. "It positions are, Bush said. Interesting to see how will be interesting to see how
he reacts to pressure of the
AFL-CLO." Appearing in Sioux City, Iowa, later Wednesday, Gore
insisted, "I support free and
fair trade," and said he's done $s o$ despite opposition from la-
bor unions. He did say that

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protest World Trade Organiza-
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Clinton rebuffed on trade mensocure penss News digest

SEATTLE - President Clinton wants worker rights and environmental safeguards to be included in giobal trade
talks, but he's getting a chilly eception from Third World nations as trade officials get down to serious negotiations
after two days of street proafter two days of street pro
tests.
With a Friday deadline wrapping up the World Trade Organization meeting, the and, who takes over the to and, who takes over the top
WTO in 2002, warned Vednesday that Clinton's ough stance on worker rights could jeopardize efforts to
aunch a new round of trade launch
talk.
"I
"I know it is an important ssue for the United States administration, but to have bor rights violations would be really ultimately highly detrimental,
Panitchpakdi told reporters. ntichpakdi told reporters. trade ministers from developing countries "to walk away rom any agreement on a new ound," Supachai warned, responding to an interview
Clinton gave to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.
Clinton was quoted as say ng a new trade deal should rights, and countries that don't go along should face Inspectors: Airport securty lax in U.S.
WASHINGTON - Security hat Transportation Department investigators were able o sneak through without tickats and settle into seats aboard planes ready to take
off, the department's inspecor general says.
In a series of tests early his year, investigators slipped through security by "piggyees through doors. They also walked unchallenged through oncourse doors, gates, jetbridges and cargo facilities.
Some drove through unnanned vehicle gates or rode unguarded elevators.
"In some instances, we ere seated and ready for departure at the time we con-
cluded our tests," DOT's inspector general's office said in statement Wednesday. The IG's latest report on the nation's airports remain vulnerable to intruders wishng to slip through security U.S. air travel.

A similar investigation in 993 uncovered virtually idenical weaknesses; auditors ssaid nany of those same problems Trains cr
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went flying, goods went flywent flying, goods went fly ng, said michael Irik, a pas Wayne Geddes, a spokesnan for New South Wales 11 from the front people of ommuter train - were killed and that the death toll was apected to rive as authori corked into the night to


