

Peace, man

Robin Barrick, Crissey Barrick, Cindy Harder and Elizabeth Cooper (left to right) attended a Groovy 70's party for the teen group at The First Baptist Church. The students enjoyed pizza, games and music from the 70's. See related photo page 3.

Panhandle sets tornado record for entire year in seven months

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) - When Panhandle, 1995 is a year for the scared.'

The National Weather Service is close to 21 in the Panhandle. announced Wednesday that 64 Doug Crowley, warning coordina-

record: one, set in 1952.

News of the record-breaking year

with winds topping 200 mph. Fire marshal Roger Fields said bad "Let a little cloud come up,"

from January to July. That already service in Amarillo, said tornadoes pastures, Crowley said. sets a record - with five months still this year were more intense, as well as more frequent. The 33-county area The Panhandle's previous tornado covered by the Amarillo NWS high was 61, set in 1971. The low includes the Oklahoma Panhandle and four counties of New Mexico.

"I'm just amazed that we've really came as no surprise in Friona, where dodged the bullet," Crowley said. "It 18 uninsured homes and businesses could have been so much worse. were destroyed June 2 by a twister Numerous homes were literally

destroyed with people in them." A 38-year-old Amarillo man on weather makes Friona residents May 7 became the first tornado casualty in the region since 1970.

Several injuries were reported in it comes to tornadoes in the Texas Fields said, "and they all get other twisters, primarily ones that struck Friona and Pampa in June. The average annual to do count Property damage will exceed \$60

million, the weather service reported. But the typical tornado tended to

"If we're real lucky," he said, "the most it will do is catch a windmill.'

Crowley said new technology has from last year's reimbursement. improved the ability to detect twisters. He also credited volunteer spotters who chase the storms.

The most recent tornado confirmed by Amarillo meteorologists was one that touched down July 23 south of Claude, he said.

Justice Gammage to resign from court

By MICHAEL HOLMES and PAULINE ARRILLAGA **Associated Press Writers**

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas Supreme Court Justice Bob Gammage says he will step down from the high court on Sept. 1 to focus on his family and 'long-neglected personal goals and challenges.

Gammage, the second Democrat this summer to announce plans to leave the court, told Gov. George W. Bush in a letter Wednesday that the time had come for him to move on.

"While I leave the court and public service with some sadness in parting, I face the future with excitement and eagerness for unforeseen adventures," Gammage

Gammage did not return telephone messages left by The Associated Press at his office Wednesday. He scheduled a news conference today to "make an announcement regarding

Bush's spokeswoman, Karen Hughes, said Gammage met with the governor on Wednesday.

She said Bush, who will fill the vacancy by appointment, immediately was beginning the search for a replacement.

"We are searching for an individual with the highest integrity, credibility and sound judicial temperament to serve on the Supreme Court," Ms. Hughes said.

One of four Democrats on the nine-member court, Gammage was elected in 1990. His term runs through the end of 1996.

In June, Justice Jack Hightower, also a Democrat, announced that he planned to retire from the court, probably before the end of the year. Hightower, first elected to the court in 1988, was re-elected in 1992 to a term running through 1998.

If Bush appoints fellow Republicans to both vacancies, the GOP would hold a 7-2 majority.

Ed Martin, executive director of the Texas Democratic Party, called Gammage's decision bad news for all

"Not only Democrats, but I think the people of Texas should be concerned that we're going to lose a jurist who brought a balanced judicial philosophy to the Supreme Court,' Martin said.

"There's a danger that we're going to put people on the court who are more interested in carrying out a Republican political agenda. It'll be a real challenge to see if the governor will appoint people who have a balanced philosophy or people who are going to tilt the court to a very anti-consumer and anti-working person philosophy," Martin said.

Gammage, who earlier practiced law in Houston and Austin, served in the state House and Senate and the U.S. House. He was elected to the Austin-based 3rd Court of Appeals

City receives tax rebate check from comptroller

Smith County have received their August sales tax rebate checks from the State Comptroller's Office, and the city's share showed a decrease from last year's check.

Overall, the \$95,955.86 the city received is a 43.81 percent increase revenue. over the \$66,719.52 earned in August

However, this month's figures include first-year collections of the half-cent sales tax for economic collected since January

As a result, the portion of the tax reimbursement that represents the city's 1 percent sales tax for general purposes totalled \$63,970.57.

The August check is based on local sales taxes collected in June and reported to the comptroller's office in July, and on sales taxes collected in April, May and June by businesses that report sales on a quarterly basis. For the year to date, the city has

The City of Hereford and Deaf received sales tax rebates in the sales. amount of \$611,430.44, which is up 32.37 percent from last year's virtually the same amount as that \$461,882.24.

Sales tax rebate checks issued in

counties across Texas that collect a 1.15 percent more money than the separate county sales tax. In this county, that is a half-cent tax on

The county's sales tax revenue is received last year.

This month, the county received January and February did not include a check for \$34,826.61, up 1.24 the economic development sales tax percent from the \$34,398.83 last year. For the year to date, Deaf Smith Deaf Smith County is one of 111 County has received \$238,211.17, or

(See TAX REBATE, Page 2)

development, which has been Nolen withdraws name from **Copperas Cove consideration**

Hereford's city manager, Chester That is a 4.13 percent decrease Nolen, has withdrawn his name for consideration for employment in the same position in Copperas Cove.

City Commissioner Carey Black reported Thursday morning that Nolen notified him that he will not pursue the position.

"He told me he called them Thursday morning and asked that his

name be withdrawn," said Black. Nolen was one of six candidates

for the Copperas Cove city manager's job. He was interviewed Wednesday afternoon in the Central Texas city.

Black said Nolen gave no specific reason for his decision, but "I think he is seeing progress in things here and wants to see programs accomplished.'

Black said the commission "is glad he made this decision. We didn't want him to move.

Nolen has been city manager of Hereford since Aug. 1, 1991.

Prison sentence handed out for Board meet cancelled, woman who fled from drug trial

A young woman who left Hereford in the middle of her trial on a drug could proceed without her and the charge has been sentenced to six years in prison on her plea of guilty to bail jumping and failure to appear. Melinda Simons Bevers George,

24, was sentenced by Judge David Wesley Gulley in 222nd District Court Wednesday. The six-year sentence will be served concurrently with a 99-year

cocaine, last January. A jury in 222nd District Court found her guilty of the charge on Jan. 18. The punishment phase of the trial was scheduled on Jan. 19 but the defendant did not appear in court.

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for delivery of a controlled substance,

Judge Gulley ruled that the trial jury set punishment at 99 years in Texas Department of Criminal Justice institutional division. A \$10,000 fine also was levied.

George was arrested on Jan. 24 in Columbia, S.C., when a highway patrolmen stopped her for speeding and, on checking further, found she was wanted on a warrant from Deaf sentence she received on conviction Smith County.

> Formal sentencing on the drug charge was on March 3. George has filed an appeal on her

conviction in the Seventh Court of Appeals in Amarillo. She is being held in Deaf Smith County jail.

school to dismiss early Classes to let out at noon Friday

Thursday's planned Hereford ISD board of trustees meeting has been postponed due to the death of assistant superintendent Don Cumpton's son, Superintendent Charles W. Greenawalt announced Wednesday afternoon.

In addition, the district announced this morning that students throughout the district will be dismissed at noon on Friday. Brent Cumpton died in Littlefield on Wednesday. He was a former

Hereford resident and graduate of Hereford High School. Students will be released early so any district employees who so desire can attend the 1:30 p.m. funeral.

Greenawalt said today's postponed 6 p.m. tax revenue increase public hearing and 6:30 p.m. regular board meeting were put off out of respect for Cumpton.

The meetings will be held at the same times on Tuesday, Aug. 29, in the school board room, 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue.

Bank name change to be finalized today

Emrollment Aug. 24, 1995 First day: 4,203 1995 to date: 4,310

Aikman Bluebonnet West Central 341 438 Northwest 312 Shirley 359 Tierra Blanca HJH 696 HHS 1,253 *Stanton 153 Includes Early Childhood Education, Pre-Kindergarten and SOAR High.

The merger and consolidation of banks owned and operated by FirstPerryton Bancorp will be celebrated today and Friday at each of the bank's five locations, including First National Bank of Hereford.

"As crucial as our banks have been in the development of the Panhandle, we are now positioned to play an even larger role in its future," said John Cluck, chairman and CEO of the newly-formed FirstBank Southwest, National Association, in announcing the merger and consolidation of the company banks

Citizens Bank and Trust in Pampa, First National Bank of Hereford and FirstBank Southwest of Amarillo --FirstBank Southwest, N.A.

was set for 2 p.m. and was to include called FirstPerryton Bancorp.

refreshments and free trees. The Amarillo location was

highlighted Thursday morning, while ceremonies will be held Friday in Pampa, Perryton and Booker. Under the consolidation, FirstBank

Southwest becomes the third largest banking entity in the region and the second largest with local ownership in assets and \$40 million in capital, FirstBank Southwest has one of the highest capital ratios of any bank in the Panhandle.

'Our banks have always been The banks -- First National Bank about the future and we're making of Perryton and its branch in Booker, certain that our customers will have even brighter tomorrows than they have had in the past," said Cluck.

First national Bank of Perryton will carry the common name of acquired Booker's First Bank and Trust Company in 1966 and formed The name-change ceremony here a holding company in the early 1980s

FirstPerryton acquired First National Bank of Hereford in 1988. Citizens Bank and Trust of Pampa in 1990 and Texas Commerce Bank-Amarillo in 1993, at which time that bank's name was changed to FirstBank Southwest.

"Our company began acquiring banks when the banking industry was and management. With \$400 million at a low point," Cluck said. "Unlike most banks at the time, we had excess capital and were able to build an even stronger bank.

> "With operations headquartered in Amarillo, we are better able to control costs and serve our customers efficiently and, at the same time, we are able to offer more services than ever before.

> Cluck said that, despite the name change, customers can be assured that decisions that affect them will still be made locally



Sprinkler at work

The lack of sufficient moisture in the area has prompted agriculture producers to increase irrigation. This sugarbeet field west of town is lush and green under the protection of a circular sprinkler system.

Local Roundup

Chance of showers lingers

Hereford recorded a high temperature of 91 degrees on Wednesday, with an overnight low Thursday of 64 degrees. There will be a 20 percent chance of showers in the forecast for tonight and Friday, with forecasters calling for mostly clear skies otherwise and a low near 65 degrees tonight. Winds will be from the south at 10-15 mph. For Friday, look for mostly sunny skies, with rain chances in the late afternoon. Highs will be near 90 degrees with southerly winds at 10-20 mph.

News Digest

World/Nation

NEW YORK - Break out the party hats and don't forget the confetti. The biggest bash in the computer world starts today as Windows 95 hits store shelves around the world.

The guest of honor was Microsoft Corp.'s best-selling computer operating system, already the most-hyped product in the short history of personal

WASHINGTON - Students are taking tougher classes. College-bound seniors are preparing better for test time. And maybe the nation's teen-agers are learning more, reversing two decades of educational decline.

WASHINGTON - FBI Director Louis J. Freeh searches for his own errors in the Ruby Ridge affair and admits misjudging public reaction to his proposal to promote Larry Potts to the bureau's No. 2 job while simultaneously censuring Potts for poorly managing the deadly 1992

washington - Raw chickens and turkeys that have been frozen for long-distance transport no longer can be labeled "fresh" under final Agriculture Department rules being issued today.

WASHINGTON - Wendy Lee Gramm's grandfathers emigrated from Korea to Hawaii to work in sugar cane fields. Her father became vice president at the company that farmed those fields. She became chief of a federal agency regulating futures trading in the sugar and other industries. If her husband, Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, wins the Republican presidential nomination and then the White House, this granddaughter of an indentured immigrant laborer and his Korean picture bride would become America's first first lady of Asian descent.

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - The first group of peacekeepers pulled out of the U.N. "safe area" of Gorazde, a withdrawal blasted by international aid workers as leaving the enclave's residents "more vulnerable than ever."

State

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AUSTIN - Edye Smith, the young mom who tugged at the nation's heart when she lost her two little boys in the Oklahoma City bombing, is hoping to find the beginning of the end of her sorrow. And thanks to a doctor and hospital offering free services to reverse the tubal ligation she had two years ago - and a portrait painter who got them in touch with her - she may not have to. Ms. Smith, who was scheduled to undergo surgery this morning, called the offer of free services "a gift from God."

DALLAS - The U.S. Justice Department is investigating a deal that allowed the return of priceless medieval religious treasures stolen by an American soldier from a Nazi hiding place during World War II. Jack Meador of Whitewright and Jane Meador Cook of Mesquite inherited the art as part of their brother's estate after he died of cancer in 1980.

AUSTIN - Responding to Gov. George W. Bush's concerns about using quotas in awarding state contracts, the General Services Commission has changed rules meant to increase business to women and minorities.

Police, Emergency Reports

Emergency services reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Thursday included the following information.

HEREFORD POLICE

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 400 block of West Second, where a VCR and Nintendo game were taken; and in the 400 block of Sycamore, where a VCR and two jackets were taken.

Harassment was reported in the 800 block of Blevins.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 500 block of Brevard.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 500 block of George. A report was filed in the 800 block

of Irving in reference to a lost dog. A report was filed in the 300 block of Lake Street in reference to a gas meter turned off.

A report of a possible shoplifter was filed in the 1100 block of West

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF A 26-year-old male was arrested

for violation of probation.

A 17-year-old male was arrested on a bench warrant.

A 48-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation.

A prowler was reported.

A civil matter was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No calls. **EMS**

Ambulances ran on one transfer to Amarillo, one trauma run and one no

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Malcolm G. Brooks, Patricia Cano, Robert M. Cozbey, Jewell C. Hargrave, Sylvia Hernandez, Kate Johnson:

Miller W. King, Wanda Jean Kumm, Mauzie E. Lindsey, Infant girl Murillo, Rebecca Murillo, Glenda P. Thompson and Barbara G. White.

Officers issued seven citations.

\$1,969.70, \$1,962.00, up 0.39 percent; Nazareth, \$1,179.50, \$1,384.10, down 14.78 percent;

OLDHAM COUNTY -- Adrian,

PARMER COUNTY -- Bovina, \$5,718.20, down 11.53 percent; Friona, \$12,880.41, \$11,151.52, up 15.50 percent.

\$3,499,384.66, \$3,611,356.86, down 3.10 percent.

RANDALL COUNTY -- Canyon

Wu sentenced to 15 years in prison

Further damage seen to relations between China, U.S.

By RENEE SCHOOF **Associated Press Writer**

BEIJING (AP) - Harry Wu, a Chinese-American who spent two decades in China's prison camps and documented their abuses, was convicted today of spying and leaking state secrets. He was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

Unless the government decides to expel Wu immediately, the harsh sentence is sure to further damage China-U.S. relations, already battered by disputes over human rights, trade, nuclear proliferation and arms sales.

China said Wednesday that its ties with the United States were at the lowest ebb since they were established in 1979.

The Wuhan Intermediate People's Court, which tried Wu, said he would be expelled from China. But it was not clear when that would happen.

Under the law, Wu should serve his term before being expelled, a court spokesman who gave his name as Mr. Yang told The Associated Press. He spoke by telephone from Wuhan, 700 miles south of Beijing.

The United States has called for the immediate release of the human rights activist on humanitarian grounds.

'The U.S. is seeking further

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas students

scored higher this year on the

Scholastic Assessment Test but

remained behind the national

average on both sections of the

college entrance exam, according

released Wednesday showed that

Texas' average score on the verbal

test was 419, a seven-point

increase over 1994, while the

math score remained unchanged

The state's combined score of

893 was a seven-point increase

over last year's combined score

of 886, but it was still 17 points

behind the nation's average

The national average on the

Texas Education Commissioner

These results clearly show

Mike Moses attributed the higher

scores to the number of students

that taking rigorous courses in

high school is a prerequisite for success in college," Moses said.

"For those students who want to

attend college after high school,

taking challenging courses is not

good, solid academic prepara-

The figures showed that Texas

students who completed 20 or

more course units in six honors

classes recorded an average verbal

score of 473 and an average math

"There's no substitute for

a luxury but a necessity.

tion," he said.

enrolled in honors curriculum.

verbal test increased from 423 in

1994 to 428 in 1995, while math

scores rose from 479 to 482.

combined score of 910.

The College Board figures

to new figures.

average on both parts

clarification on the expulsion with his head lowered, looking sentence," deputy White House press secretary Ginny Terzano said in Jackson, Wyo., where President Clinton is vacationing.

Jian, speaking at a briefing, would not say when Wu would be expelled.

"I think that decision is up to the relevant authorities in charge of law enforcement," Chen told reporters. In Milpitas, Calif., Wu's wife,

Ching Lee, said: "We continue to believe that it would be in the best interest of China, the U.S. and Harry that he be expelled immediately and returned home."

The trial was not open to foreign news reporters and was not announced in advance. The official Xinhua News Agency said the trial was held Wednesday and the verdict announced this morning.

It said Wu wrote a confession before the trial, but gave no details.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Robert Laing said Wu and his attorney decided not to appeal. A consular official attended the trial, he said.

The nationally televised evening news broadcast footage of the trial, showing Wu alternately seated and speaking impassively, or standing

score of 533. Those with fewer

than 15 advanced course units

scored an average 355 on the

verbal section and 408 on math.

students recorded higher verbal

scores this year, with the biggest

jump among black students,

whose scores increased nine

points. Mexican-American

students' scores rose six points,

On the math section, only Asian

students saw a significant increase

over last year's average score, with

an increase of six points. White

students' scores increased one

point. Black students' scores

decreased one point, while

Mexican-American students

improvements on the test than

males. Females increased their

average verbal score by seven

points and their average math

score by two points from 1994 to

Males increased their average

Overall, the number of Texas

students taking the SAT increased

this year by 1,653 students to

85,616. That's 47 percent of the

students taking the exam also

increased for the fourth consecu-

The number of minority

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average math score was un-

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while Asian and white students

scores increased five points.

Both white and minority

distressed.

Wu, 58, emigrated to the United States in 1985 after 19 years in labor camps for criticizing the Communist Foreign Ministry spokesman Chen Party. He returned repeatedly to investigate China's prison conditions and expose them in the Western

> Posing variously as a businessman, an academic, a policeman and a worker from Shanghai visiting camp guard friends, Wu took photos and videos inside camps. His material documented widespread use of prison labor to manufacture exports and transplanting of organs from executed prisoners.

> The White House was hoping for leniency for Wu to mute congressional critics who do not want first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton to attend the U.N.-sponsored World Conference on Women next month in Beijing. Mrs. Clinton has yet to decide whether to attend.

In the weeks before Wu was arrested, China was deeply angered by Washington's decision to allow Taiwan President Lee Teng-hui to attend a Cornell University reunion in Ithaca, N.Y. China claims Lee is seeking diplomatic recognition of

U.S. Undersecretary of State Peter Tarnoff is due in Shanghai today and Beijing on Friday to try to improve relations.

Wu was convicted of spying, posing as a government worker and "illegally obtaining, buying and providing state secrets" to foreigners, Xinhua said.

Wu was taken into custody June 19 trying to enter China from Kazakhstan and formally arrested

Wu, known in Washington as a frequent witness at congressional hearings, gave testimony that helped U.S. Customs officials to identify Chinese exports made by prison labor, a violation of U.S. law.

The abuses he described included forcing prisoners to stand waist-deep in vats of chemicals used to treat animal

A videotape and Xinhua report the government released late last month claimed Wu confessed to fabricating information in two documentaries he helped the British Broadcasting Corp. film in China last year.

In the government video, Wu blamed most of the mistakes on the BBC, but admitted to lying about his identity and using a hidden camera.

Hagman said responding Texas SAT scores rise; well after liver transplant remain below national LOS ANGELES (AP) - Actor

Larry Hagman was responding well after a liver transplant, and all indicators point to a full recovery, his doctor said today.

'He's doing extremely well," said Dr. Leonard Makowka, director of the liver transplant program at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center.

'We expect him to return to his normal lifestyle, in fact to be a little more energetic and a little more active than he was in the last few months with his liver disease and tumor," he told ABC's "Good Morning America.'

The 63-year-old actor was in extremely critical but stable condition late Wednesday night, said hospital spokesman Ron Wise. "This is exactly where we want him to be at this point," he said.

The first 48 hours after the surgery, which began Tuesday night and ended about 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, are crucial to determining whether Hagman's body rejects the donor organ, Makowka said Wednesday.

He said the hospital's liver recipients have an 88 percent one-year survival rate and a 75

percent five-year survival rate.

Hagman, the loathsome J.R. Ewing from the nighttime soap "Dallas" and the long-suffering astronaut on

"I Dream of Jeannie," was diagnosed three years ago with cirrhosis of the liver, which he blamed on years of heavy drinking. Makowka said Hagman stopped drinking three years

Makowka said the surgical team was surprised to find that Hagman's cirrhosis was much more advanced than believed. "We really did get the liver just in time," he said.

But a cancerous tumor in the liver was "completely dead" after a procedure earlier this month in which one of Hagman's arteries was short-circuited to prevent blood from feeding the tumor, Makowka said.

Unlike the tumor in Mickey Mantle's liver, Hagman's tumor was very small and confined to the old liver, Makowka said today.

Makowka said he also found gallstones that had to be removed before the transplant could be done. He said the actor planned to give the gallstones to New York artist Barton Benes for use in a sculpture.

Obituaries



BRENT CUMPTON Aug. 23, 1995

Brent Cumpton, 25, a Hereford native, died Wednesday in Littlefield where he had lived the last month.

> Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church with the pastor, the Rev. Terry Cosby, and youth minister, Jacob Brewer, officiating. Burial will be in West Park Cemetery, under direction of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home.

> > Mr. Cumpton was a 1989 graduate of Hereford High School and a 1994 graduate of Wayland Baptist University. While attending Wayland, he worked with Super Summer Camp, conducted by the Southern Baptist Convention, for two years, While a student at Hereford High

School, he played football and golf and belonged to the Key Club.

Mr. Cumpton recently accepted a position as a teacher and junior high coach at Littlefield. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Hereford.

Survivors are his parents, Don and Linda Cumpton of Hereford; a brother, David Cumpton of Hereford, and grandmothers, Effie Foster of Floydada and Lurline Cumpton of Grapevine.

The family has requested that memorials be directed to the Dallas Autism Society, 3014 Perryton,

ELIZABETH "LISA" CLICK Aug. 22, 1995

Services for Elizabeth "Lisa" Click, 61, of Hereford, will be held at 11 a.m. Friday in St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

Deacon Jonny Cloud will officiate and burial will be in Rest Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery, under direction of Gililland-Watson Funeral

Mrs. Click, who died Tuesday at her home, was born in Augsburg, Germany, and moved to Louisiana from Germany in 1956. She came to Hereford in 1957. She married Leonard Click in 1972 in Las Vegas, Nev. She was a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

Survivors are her husband; a son, Elov Valdez of Hereford; a daughter, Marina Houk of Oklahoma City, Okla.; a brother, Stephan Golling of Augsburg, and four grandchildren.

All progress has resulted from people who took unpopular positions. -Adlai E. Stevenson

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TAX REBATE

\$235,486.98 received last year. Statewide, cities and counties

received \$202.4 million from Comptroller John Sharp's office. Payments were made to 1,076 cities and the 111 counties.

The statewide payments reflected an increase of 2.2 percent over August 1994.

Shown below are sales tax figures for counties around Hereford. Castro \$2,931.27, \$3,261.70, down 10.13 County is the only other county to percent; Farwell, \$5,058.71. collect a separate county sales tax. Listed are reimbursements by town, along with last August's reimbursement and the difference between the

CASTRO COUNTY -- Dimmitt, \$28,062.48 this year, \$32,155.57 last year, down 12.72 percent; Hart, percent.

Castro County, \$12,289.69, \$13,633.49, down 9.85 percent.

\$470.19, \$386.30, up 21.71 percent; Vega, \$4,916.39, \$3,481.70, up 41.20

POTTER COUNTY -- Amarillo.

Propeller blade failed inspection year earlier Investigators planned to examine CARROLLTON, Ga. (AP) - A

changed.

1995 senior class.

propeller blade that snapped off a commuter plane a few minutes before it crashed had flunked an inspection a year earlier.

An "anomaly" was found in the propeller blade during an ultrasonic exam, but maintenance records showed it was fixed before the crash, John Hammerschmidt of the National Transportation Safety Board said Wednesday. The blade was returned to the propeller assembly on Aug. 2, 1994, after a re-inspection by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 15, 32, 35, 38, 45 and 46. Lottery officials estimate the

jackpot for Saturday night's game

AUSTIN (AP) - The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

9-0-1 (nine, zero, one)

vill be \$10 million.

the records from the re-inspection, Hammerschmidt said. Five of the 29 people on board the

Atlantic Southeast Airlines flight were killed when the Embraer 120 turboprop went down Monday on its way from Atlanta to Gulfport, Miss. Seven remained in critical condition today with burns. Four others were in stable condition.

The Federal Aviation Administration ordered ultrasonic shear wind tests of Hamilton Standard blades after they broke off two planes in March 1994. Both aircraft, one in Canada and the other in Brazil, landed safely.

Only a 16-inch piece of the broken blade from Monday's crash has been recovered. Investigators were searching for the missing 3{-foot-long section, which may have appeared as a minor blip on radar screens tracking the plane's progress Laboratory reports showed the

blade appeared to have snapped as a result of tension, but the reports did not show what led a weak spot to expand and ultimately snap the blade, Hammerschmidt said. The plane should have been able to fly with one engine. Investigators

were unsure why the plane crashed after the propeller blade on the left engine snapped soon after takeoff. Investigators found nothing mechanically wrong with the left.

Lifestyles

Ann Landers

Remarks by clods should be ignored

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I am 1993, they represented 13.5 percent insensitive people can be. Is there a book that addresses pregnancy etiquette? If not, there should be. Here are some examples of what I

"Are you having twins? You sure do look like it.

"I have a friend who is due the same time you are, and she is not half as big as you.

"How much weight have you gained?

You still have THAT much longer to go? 'My wife never lost the weight she

put on after her second child. "I wore my regular jeans home from the hospital -- they were size 5."

'Are you still pregnant?" Any advice on how to respond to these asinine comments? -- Nine

Months and Counting in Boise straight in the eye and say, "I can't believe I heard you correctly."

DEAR ANN LANDERS: Motor vehicle crashes kill 40,000 people and cause 5 million injuries in the United States each year. The cost to society is \$137 billion annually. One highway fatality occurs every 13 minutes.

Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death for youths ages 16 to 20. In 1993, 5,905 young people were killed in traffic crashes -- an average of one every hour on weekends and one every two hours during the week. Twice as many males were killed as

Of those who died, 75 percent were not wearing safety belts. If they had been buckled up, 45 percent would have survived.

Although 16-to-20-year-old drivers accounted for only 6.7 percent of the total driving population in 0562.

pregnant with massecond child, and of the drivers involved in fatal it never ceases to amaze me how crashes and 12 percent of the drivers involved in fatal crashes who had been drinking.

In 1993, of all fatal crashes involving 16-to-20-year-olds, 1,081 have had to listen to in recent weeks: of the youth drivers were legally drunk. The establishment of a minimum drinking age of 21 has reduced traffic fatalities involving 18to-20-year-olds by 13 percent and has saved 14,816 lives since 1975.

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Jacob Finhaus, (left) and Rebecca Gutierrez ham it up for the camera at the Groovy 70's party given for the youth of First Baptist Church. The students dressed in clothing that was popular during the 1970's.

4-H members to receive awards at annual banquet

Banquet will be Sunday, August 27th at the Bull Barn. Serving Lines will begin at 12:15 p.m., and the Awards Program will start at 1:15.

1994-95 was an exceptional year for Deaf Smith County 4-H members. All 4-H members will be recognized for their program, 4-H families, and people interested in 4-H are invited to attend the banquet.

This is one of the best opportunities to become familiar with the 4-H organization and benefits of the program to the young people in Deaf Smith County. Cost of the banquet is \$1.00 per person, and is not to exceed \$5.00 per family.

If you wish to attend the banquet

FCE Council to hold meeting

The first meeting of the fall for the FCE Council will be held on Monday, August 28th, at 1:30 at the Heritage Room of the Library.

Representative from the FCE clubs Why change doctors? You appear to and Council officers will conduct business to begin the September be getting excellent care. Be patient. meetings of the FCE clubs.

The 1994-95 4-H Achievement or would like more information please contact the Deaf Smith County Agricultural Service office at (806) 364-3573. Reservations for the banquet must be called into the office by Friday, August 25.

Rebekah Lodge plans for visit

Hereford Rebekah Lodge #228 met Tuesday evening with 11 members

Noble grand Nelma Sowell

presided at the meeting.
Plans are being made to welcome Betty Dowell, president of the Rebekah Assembly of Texas, on Sept. 13 as she makes her official visit to District 3 which includes Hereford, Friona and Muleshoe.

Eight visits to the sick, 17 cheer cards and nine dishes of food were reported for the week.

Anna Conklin served as hostess to Sowell, Ben Conklin, Peggy Lemons, Susie Curtsinger, Tony Irlbeck, Jessie Matthews, Mary Lou Weatherford, Frankie Ruland, Ursalee Jacobsen and Rosalie Northcutt.

Area events provide variety of activities

Amarillo

The annual Labor Day fireworks display will be held at the Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo on Sept. 4.
The festivities will begin at dusk

and will coincide with the performance of the Amarillo Symphony.

This will be the sixth year that Cellular One of Amarillo has sponsored the Labor Day fireworks display.

Nazareth

Holy Family Parish in Nazareth will have its annual Labor Day Weekend Picnic on Sept. 3.

The event will kick off with a parade at 10 a.m. A roast beef dinner will be served at noon followed by arts and crafts sales, bingo, games and an auction.

A dance at the Community Hall starting at 9 p.m. will conclude the festivities. Music will be provided by "Laredo".

Friona

The 39th annual Maize Days Celebration is scheduled for Sept. 9-

The Miss Friona Pageant will be held Sept. 9 and Prairie Acres Appreciation Day will be held Sept.

Other activities will be held throughout the week including a Little Miss Pageant and Gospel Gathering.

The Parmer County Fair will run Sept. 14-16 in conjunction with Maize Days.

Call the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture at 806-247-3491 for more details.

Canyon

Michael Martin Murphey's Texas WestFest at Palo Duro Canyon is a celebration of the art, culture and music of the Old and New West.

It will take place on Sept. 8-10, sponsored by First American Bank and benefiting the Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation.

In addition to Murphey, featured artists will be Suzy Bogguss, Riders in the Sky, BlackHawk, Asleep at the Wheel, The Dixie Chicks and Don

Also appearing will be Billy Montana, Red Steagall, Bill Miller, Don Edwards, Waddie Mitchell, Montana Blue and The Big Sky Cowboys, Robert Mirabal, J.W. Stoker, Dangerous Don and the TEXAS" Dancers.

Information on WestFest and tickets are available by calling the Amarillo Civic Center ticket office at 806-378-3096.

Stinnett

The 69th annual Stinnett Birthday Celebration will be held Sept. 5-9.

The schedule of events include: Tuesday-covered dish supper and Pet Pageant; Wednesday-Gospel singing and ice cream social; Thursday-Fiddle contest, Johnny Gimble Show, and free corn-on-the-cob feed; Friday--West Texas HS homecoming football game; Saturday--Parade, food, entertainment and games in the park, horseshoe tournament, and street dance.



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ANSWER: For as long as there has been rheumatoid arthritis, there numerous diseases. have been diets suggested for easing its pain.

You usually can find me teetering on the dietary fence, neither totally skeptical nor blindly believing. But I am not one to discount serious diet suggestions out of hand.

In fact, there might be elements of truth in some diet claims, such as those based on our immunity systems. The idea persists that an immune system gone haywire lies behind the joint pains.

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Others swear by a vegetarian diet for arthritis.

Negatively, some claim dairy products are anathema for rheumatoid arthritis sufferers.

We are far from understanding rheumatoid arthritis, so I advocate skepticism about diets that promise relief with little rationale. But I would keep an open mind on the general subject of arthritis and diet. I have not seen the diet to which

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Sports



Defensive backs

The prospects to play in the defensive backfield for the Hereford football team this season are (kneeling, left to right) Stephen Cloud, Manuel Reyna, Hector Cavazos, Jacob Moreno, Marquise Brown, Ronald Torres, Jeb Skiles, Arturo Nava, (standing)

coach Danny Haney, Josh Bullard, Todd Dudley, Todd Radford, Joseph Artho, Stephen Wright, Kip Smith, Ruben Flores, Navarro Mariscal, Jace West, Raymond Gonzales, Robert Tamez and

coach Tim Anuszkiewicz.

Spikers play in Amarillo

The Hereford volleyball team will play in the Amarillo Invitational tournament Friday and Saturday, while the junior varsity will stay home and host a tournament on Saturday.

The varsity (2-1) has three poollay matches scheduled for Friday at Tascosa High. The first one, against Granbury at 8:45 a.m., may be the toughest. The Lady Pirates have

(See VOLLEYBALL, Page 5)

Scrimmage set in Hereford

Hereford's sophomore and freshman football players will scrimmage against Plainview today in Hereford. The scrimmages start at 5:30 p.m.

The juniors and seniors from both schools will scrimmage in Plainview, starting at 6 p.m.

Scramble will go on

The Weekly Scramble at Pitman Municipal Golf Course will continue until one team takes

Two teams posted a score of 30 on the back nine Wednesday to force another carryover of merchandise prizes--now amounting to \$1,360.

First team in the clubhouse with a 30 was Jeff Shelton, Steve Stevens, Steve Sanders and Robert Kubacak. Later, the team of Corey Newton, Speedy Nieman, Leland Shelton and Jerry Shipman posted another 30. Three teams had a 31.

The scramble will skip one week, due to a number of players being out of town, and action will resume on Wednesday, Sept. 6. The pot is expected to grow to more than \$1,600 at that time.



Linebackers

The boys who'll play linebacker for the Herd this year are (kneeling, left to right) Francisco Vasquez, Matt Artho, Tanner Murphey, Jeronimo Ruiz, Anthony Cervantez, Adam Jimenez, Jason White, Chris Craig, (standing) coach Craig Yenzer, Armando Zambrano, Josh Urbanczyk, T.J. Robbins, John Marty Galan, Jeremy Reiter, Bric Wall, Michael Garcia, Freddie Jimenez, Richard Sierra and coach J.R. Compton. Look for the Herd defensive tackles and nose tackles in Friday's Brand.

Register for soccer league Saturday

The Hereford Youth Soccer Another registration session will be Association will be registering held Sept. 2 at the same times and players on the next two Saturdays for place.

There will be an adult league as player, which gets each player a team well as several age groups for kids

The registration fee is \$20 per

jersey. Fees must be paid at the time of registration.

There are five age divisions for held from 10a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday at kids: 5-6 years, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12 and the Western Auto Store in Hereford. 13-14.



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Trainers

Ed "Doc" Morrow (far right), head trainer for Hereford athletics, stands with his student trainers: (kneeling, left to right) Amy Andrews, Susan Castillo, Stephanie Wheeler, (standing) Oscar Rangel, Dominic Gonzales, and Scott Trammell. Not pictured are Monica Reyes and Kesha Kimball.

Purcella leads team ropers

Professional Rodeo Cowboys \$31,248. 9, Bobby Hurley, Ceres, Calif., \$30,136; 10, Bryan Anderson, **World Standings**

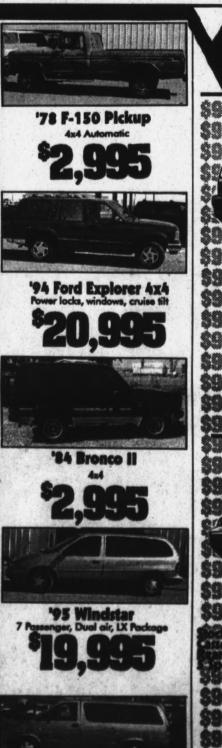
By The Associated Press Through Aug. 20 **TEAM ROPING (HEADING)**

1, Steve Purcella, Hereford, Texas, \$56,057.2, Doyle Gellerman, Nampa, Idaho, \$45,886. 3, Matt Tyler, Corsicana, Texas, \$48,678.4, Kermit Maass, Snook, Texas, \$38,761. 5, David Motes, Fresno, Calif., \$36,439. 6, Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., \$35,927. 7, Jake Barnes, Cave Creek, Ariz., \$33,801. 8. Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas,

Tucson, Ariz., \$29,352. 11, Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas, \$29,349.
12, Daniel Green, Valley Springs,
Calif., \$26,838. 13, Denton Payne, Queen Creek, Ariz., \$25,601. 14, Rube Woolsey, Dewey, Ariz., \$25,544. 15, Randy Polich, Aztec, N.M., \$23,193.

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1, Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas, \$81,471. 2, Mike Beers, Powell Butte, Ore., \$60,964. 3, Ty Murray, Stephenville, Texas, \$60,472.4, Roy Cooper, Childress, Texas, \$59,501.







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Defensive ends

The candidates to play defensive end for the Hereford football team this year are (kneeling, left to right) Heath Kirkeby, Ralph Morales, Martin Martinez, Michael Morrison, Johnny Del Gado,

Nathan Gavina, Jeff Higgins, (standing) coach Joe Cabezuela, Roger Flores, Tracey Montano, David Hicks, Tripp Robison, C.J. Kubacak, Dwayne Thomas and coach Ron Young.

were singles.

Orlando Merced had three hits and

The Rockies took a 5-2 lead in the

drove in four runs for the visiting

first when they set a club record with

five straight singles and tied another

with six hits in the inning. Bichette

drove in two runs in the first and two

on his homer in the sixth.

Piazza drives Dodgers to sweep over Expos

By The Associated Press

The 1980s had just started the last time the Los Angeles Dodgers swept a series in Montreal. Halfway through the 1990s, they did it again.

Behind Ramon Martinez's five-hitter and Mike Piazza's fourth a team," homer in three games, Los Angeles beat the Expos 5-0 Wednesday night to sweep a three-game series in Olympic Stadium for the first time since 1980.

Things didn't look good for the Dodgers as they crossed the border. They had lost four straight to start their 11-game road trip and entered Olympic Stadium having lost seven straight there and 28 of 33 in the past six seasons.

In the series, they hit eight homers and had 35 hits.

'I didn't expect us to sweep, but I didn't expect us to be swept in New

Wallach, who had a two-run homer straight. "Some of our people looked as all but four of the Rockies' 17 hits in the fifth that broke a scoreless tie.

Piazza made it 3-0 in the sixth with his 22nd homer, and Roberto Kelly and Chad Fonville added RBI singles.

"It's just a great series for us as Piazza said. "We haven't played well here in a few years. Now we just have to keep the momentum going.'

In other NL games Wednesday, it vas San Francisco 3, New York 2; Chicago 10, Florida 2; Philadelphia 12, San Diego 8; Atlanta 6, Houston 2; Cincinnati 3, St. Louis 1; and Colorado 9, Pittsburgh 5.

Martinez (13-8) threw his third complete game and second shutout. He didn't allow a hit after the third until the ninth. He is 6-1 with a 2.20 ERA in his last 10 starts.

Martinez had an impressive fastball," said manager Felipe Alou, York either," said third baseman Tim whose Expos dropped their fifth

too tired for a good fastball like

Braves 6, Astros 2 Kent Mercker allowed two hits over seven innings as the Astros lost

their seventh straight and 14th of 17. Mercker (7-8) allowed both hits and one run in the second and then allowed only three more baserunners as the Braves swept the three-game

series at the Astrodome. Javier Lopez and Jeff Blauser both went 3-for-5, and Lopez's fifth-inning single drove in the go-ahead run. Houston's last seven-game losing streak was July 1991.

Rockies 9, Pirates 5 Dante Bichette hit his league-leading 30th homer, Vinny Castilla hit his 29th and Andres Galarraga his 27th as Colorado stopped Pittsburgh's six-game winning streak.

Walt Weis had four hits, all singles,

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Red Sox top California, extend lead in East to 14-1/2 games over Yanks

By The Associated Press

Not too many teams are playing better baseball than the Cleveland Indians this season. The Boston Red Sox are looking pretty good these

The Red Sox continued to barrel their way through the American League with a 6-5, 10-inning victory 21 games.

That gave Boston a 14 1/2-game lead in the AL East over the New York Yankees, who lost 2-1 to Oakland earlier in the day.

'We had a blast," Boston's Mike Greenwell said after the Red Sox completed a three-game sweep at California. "We wanted to win the series, but I didn't think we'd be able to sweep that ballclub. To be able to win three games here, that shows how good this team is."

The Indians, meanwhile, continued to roll along by beating Toronto 6-5, building their AL Central lead to 19 games over Milwaukee and their AL-best record to 73-35. The Red Sox are second-best in the AL with

In other AL action, it was Detroit 7, Chicago 5; Texas 9, Minnesota 1; and Baltimore 7, Seattle 1.

Jose Canseco hit a two-run homer, and Greenwell tripled in the winning run in the 10th inning for Boston.

Greenwell lined a 1-2 pitch into the right-field corner off losing Wednesday night over California, pitcher Lee Smith (0-5), who had not giving them 19 victories in their last allowed a run in his previous 10 outings. Greenwell's triple followed a leadoff single by Tim Nachring.

Mike Stanton (1-0) earned the victory with 1 1-3 innings of relief, striking out three of the four batters he faced. Rick Aguilera pitched the 10th for his 24th save as the Red Sox won for the sixth time in seven games on their current road trip.

California was swept for the first time this season, and the three-game losing streak is the Angels' longest of the season.

'They're playing better baseball than we are right now," California manager Rene Lachemann said of the Red Sox. "You're going to hit some bumps, but they're (Angels) still playing hard. The mistakes have been mostly aggressive and that's OK." Rangers 9, Twins 1

Juan Gonzalez and Ivan Rodriguez homered and Bobby Witt scattered nine

hits as Texas rolled past visiting Minnesota.

Rookie Jose Parra (1-2) took the loss for the Twins, giving up nine hits, two of them homers, and eight runs

in four-plus innings. Texas hit Parra early and often as Bobby Witt coasted to his second victory in three decisions since joining

the Rangers. Athletics 2, Yankees 1

Steve Wojciechowski allowed four hits in 5 1-3 innings as Oakland completed a three-game sweep of visiting New York.

Brent Gates, who extended his hitting streak to a career-high 13 games with two singles, and Eric Helfand had RBI singles in the fourth for the Athletics. Wade Boggs had a pinch-hit RBI single in the sixth, his 2,500th career hit, for the Yankees. Indians 6, Blue Jays 5

Albert Belle's homer triggered a three-run sixth inning as Cleveland rallied to win at Toronto.

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VOLLEYBALL advanced to the third round of the state playoffs in each of the last three years, and the Herd knocked them out of the playoffs each time.

The Lady Whitefaces' other two pool matches are against El Paso Hanks at 11:45 a.m. and against River Road at 4:15 a.m.

Bracket play will start Friday, so Hereford will have a match later Friday night, coach Brenda Reeh said.

The Hereford JV Tournament will be held Saturday, using Whiteface

Gym and the junior high gym. The field includes eight JV teams in a single-elimination format. First round matches will be played at 9 a.m. (Dumas vs. Caprock and Borger vs. Canyon) and at 10:15 a.m. (Hereford vs. River Road and Randall vs. Pampa).



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Chef goes from White House to DC prison

Man who fed Truman, Eisenhower now teaching cooking to inmates

By KAREN HAYWOOD Associated Press Writer

LORTON, Va. (AP) - Giving a prison inmate a knife is usually not a good idea, but William E. "Dad" Smith does it all the time.

He hands them eggbeaters, frying pans, measuring cups, eggs, butter and flour, too.

Smith, the White House chef to presidents Truman and Eisenhower, has transformed a cafeteria-style food preparation course at the District of Columbia's prison in suburban Virginia into a classroom for haute cuisine.

The program gives inmates a marketable trade, a taste of success and the incentive not to return. One-third to one-half of the inmates who pull time at Lorton are likely to return. Only one of Smith's alumni

"I don't give them any breaks at all. If a guy cannot conform to my standards, I don't need him."

William E. 'Dad' Smith

is back behind bars; the rest work in restaurants, universities and country clubs.

Smith's classroom is a busy, hands-on laboratory dedicated to gastronomic delights, where his

pupils readily seek his advice on such dishes as fish, Chicken Marco Polo, rice and strawberry shortcake.

"Hey, Dad, you want us to fillet the fish?" asks David Covington, aspiring chef and convicted armed robber.

"Not yet, it's too early," Smith

Smith is an ex-Navy cooking instructor who will be obeyed. Take food from the kitchen back to a cell, and you're out of his course. He once made an inmate bake a cake six times because he knew the student didn't follow procedures precisely.

isine.

"I don't give them any breaks at all. If a guy cannot conform to my arketable trade, a taste of success standards, I don't need him," he said.

Those who heed and learn from Smith have an ally who will vouch for them after they are freed into an often unforgiving job market.

Ex-cons looking for work already have one huge strike against them, Lorton prison spokesman Bill Meeks said. "The majority of the time," Meeks said, "he is given only one opportunity to prove himself."

Seifuddin Abdul-Malik is one of Smith's graduates. Before he became a chef making \$30,000 a year at the Georgetown Preparatory School in Rockville, Md., he did a 10-year stretch for armed robbery.

"I had no prior work record at all," said Abdul-Malik, 38. "All I knew was crime." Now, says the school's assistant food and beverage manager, Genevieve Difilippo, Abdul-Malik can do outstanding work. "His speciality is Chinese food or Asian cuisine," she said.

"I had no prior work record at all. All I knew was

Abdul-Malik

Convicted murderer Edward Frizzell Williams was one of Smith's first students in 1984.

"We stayed with Dad because of what he teaches us," said Williams, up for parole in 1997.
"He wood to come down here on

"He used to come down here on weekends for no pay to teach us," he said. Williams said Smith also has paid for food and books out of his own pocket

Smith didn't seek the job, and he earned twice as much as a country club chef. Now he prefers it to chatting with Harry Truman in the White House kitchen, he said.

"It's more rewarding," Smith said, "because you can see the fruits of your labor."

He also said he's not afraid at Lorton: The word is out that any inmate who hurts him will be sorry.

"If I'm here by myself, somebody

will come by every 15 minutes or so to check, see if I'm all right," he said.

Smith has about 25 students in each of two classes, a one-year and a three-year course, and there is a two-page list of inmates wanting in.

By the end of the three-year program, inmates have spent 218 hours baking, 300 hours on cake decorating, 708 hours on meat-cutting and 318 hours on accounting, and have learned French terms for food.

They also have learned how to

La Duena

hand a knife to someone: handle first with the flat part of the blade against the hand. Smith requires inmates to sign out for the knives, and they are under lock and key when not in use.

Smith's highest annual budget has been \$3,000, compared to the \$6,000 it takes for one student to go through a comparable program on the outside. Smith secured the inmates' white chefs' uniforms from Walter Reed Army Hospital and much of the equipment is donated.

Smith is grooming inmate Daoud Mujahid to take his place. Mujahid couldn't boil an egg when a murder conviction sent him to Lorton in 1977.

Smith wants to retire this year and take a long fishing trip with his grandchildren and great grandchildren, but he has a list of projects to finish.

And he also wants to start a separate cooking program for the district's female inmates, and a chef's school on the outside for unwed mothers, senior citizens and people looking for a new career.

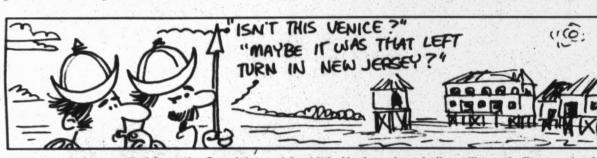
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'Kangaroo care' helps premature infants thrive, survive

By CAROLYN POIROT Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas - Jane McCasland became an advocate of kangaroo care the first moment her tiny daughter's soft bare chest snuggled up against her own.

Rebecca Kathryn "Kate" McCasland was 5 weeks old and still weighed less than 3 pounds: She was on a ventilator, with a feeding tube down her throat, a temperature probe stuck to her leg, surrounded by monitors, in the neonatal intensive care unit at Harris Methodist Fort

She had been having a terrible day until she made skin-to-skin contact with her mother for the first time.

They said she had been very agitated all evening, and they just couldn't get her to settle down,"

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at Wichita Falls where she will specialize in radiology.

McCasland called. "They put her in the middle of my chest, and her heart energy can be directed toward growth rate went from over 200 down to 165, and she settled right down and went into a deep sleep. ... They had to pry her little body away from me."

Kangaroo care is the nickname iven to the practice of mothers - and fathers - holding diaper-clad premature infants beneath their clothing, skin to skin. It was introduced in Bogota, Colombia, in 1983 to relieve overcrowded neonatal intensive care units (NICUs) and promote parental attachment.

It is used extensively in Western Europe and is becoming popular in this country, although neonatologists have been reluctant to subject very small, preterm babies to any stimulation. Very premature babies traditionally are kept in a warm, quiet

and development of their premature

lungs and other organ systems.
Paul Pulizzo III, who weighed exactly 1 pound when he was born ered too small for kangaroo care

to be out of the isolette.

At 1 pound, 8 ounces, Paul was big enough for kangaroo care.

morning, but he went to sleep and was just perfect," Pulizzo said the afternoon after she held the baby skin to skin for the first time. "I was trying to be as still as possible, but he was looking around all happy, and then he just snuggled right up and went to sleep.

It was also the first time she felt

really neat just to feel him hiccup against me," th new mother said. He was born so tiny, I never really felt him move inside me before he was born."

the glowing probe, bandaged to his foot to monitor oxygen saturation, indicated that the supplemental oxygen he receives through his respirator could be turned down to 24 percent, the lowest it had been in

Studies show that with kangaroo care, babies warm up to normal temperature, often require less oxygen, assume more normal heart beat and breathing, and gain weight faster, said Alicia Lang, an NICU

She learned about kangaroo care while working in Tampa, Fla., with neonatal nurses who trained at the University of Florida College of Nursing, where Dr. Gene Cranston Anderson, the "mother of kangaroo

has for health promotion, parental published an overview of all the known

Premature babies given skin-to-skin

June 8 at Harris Methodist Fort Worth, 12 weeks early, was considwhen his mother first approached doctors and nurses about it.

So Georganne Pulizzo went to the special NICU at 20'clock every other morning, when the nurses weighed her baby and changed his sheets, just so she could hold him - all bundled up - for the minute or so that he had

At 2 a.m. July 13, with his doctor's permission, Paul's nurse took the plankets off and placed the tiny baby with his cheek and chest between his mother's breasts - skin to skin. His respiration improved; his temperature

"I was very, very nervous this

her baby move

"He started to hiccup, and it was

Pulizzo said she was especially eager to try kangaroo care because she had heard it can combat oxygen desaturization, and Paul's immature lungs often leave him desaturized that is, with too little oxygen circulating in his blood.

Sure enough, while she held him, more than a week.

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care were found to cry less, stay warm enough, have regular heart rate and respiration, and sleep more soundly, said Anderson, who is now with Case Western Reserve Medical School in Cleveland, Ohio, and is in the process of publishing an update to her earlier

Most research has been done on larger, stronger premature babies weighing 3 to 5 pounds and breathing on their own, but the most recent survey showed that 70 hospitals in this country are now also offering such care to smaller babies on respirators, Anderson said in a telephone interview.

"This has really caught on in the last year and a half," she said. "It's normal and natural."

Not all very premature babies immediately thrive on kangaroo care, however.

'Some just can't tolerate anything the light, the noise, the touch," said Lang of Harris Methodist. "They may be able to handle them one at a time, but not all at once when they are this little. Then we wait.'

Georganne Pulizzo had to wait a month to hold her son skin to skin; even then he was the smallest infant his doctor had ever had on kangaroo care.

Since then, Paul's respiration and weight gain have been good, and maybe even a little enhanced by the care, said Dr. Michael Stevener, the baby's nconatologist.

"Skin-to-skin care is not written about very much in our more scientific journals, but it's pretty easy for us to buy off on the whole concept," Stevener said. "Increasing maternal and father contact with the baby is a positive thing, especially during stressful times in ICU. I don't know what it does for bonding six months down the road, but the

benefits, in the hospital, are real and easy to see."

For the fragile babies, the most unsettling moment of skin-to-skin care is getting from the isolette to the mother or father, Lang noted, but with the warmth, the smell and the sound of the parent's heartbeat, they normally calm down quickly.

Some parents are too nervous about the monitors and tubes to handle their tiny infants, but McCasland said she felt comfortable in the NICU - and so did her daughter. At times, Kate became so relaxed during her early kangaroo care that she stopped breathing, her mother noted.

"I would thump her lightly on her chest to startle her so she would remember to breathe," McCasland said. "She seemed to say, 'Mom's

here, let's chill out."

Doritha Cunningham, a detention officer with the Denton County Sheriff's Office, said she felt intimidated by all the tubes and monitors the first time she held her baby daughter, Destiny, but the skin-to-skin care gave her and her husband time alone with the baby, time to develop closeness as a family.

"I was afraid of what not to touch, but I got up my nerve," Doritha Cunningham said. Destiny weighed 2 pounds, 3 ounces and was 1 month

old at the time.

"I had held her all bundled up for just a minute a couple of times earlier, but when I felt her skin against mine, it was wonderful. She seemed to calm down and get real relaxed. I could tell by watching the monitors that she enjoyed it."

The Cunninghams took Destiny home on the Fourth of July, and now hold her kangaroo style practically all the time.

"I keep my blouse open and her snuggled up to me," Cunningham said. "When she's not nursing, she's cuddling. At night, if she starts to cry, all you have to do is put her on your chest and she mellows back and goes right to sleep.

Doritha Cunningham said she loves to watch her 6-foot-tall, 250-pound husband caring for the still-tiny infant.

Anthony Cunningham, a deputy sheriff and the sergeant in charge of detention for the Denton County Sheriff's Office, cares for Destiny when he gets off work each night.

"She loves lying on Daddy's chest. She usually looks around and smiles for a while and then falls asleep," he said. "It's definitely rewarding to me."

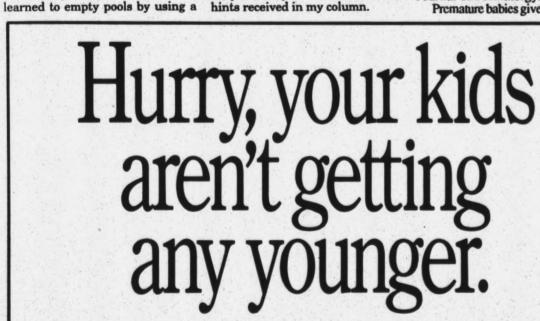
He said he was surprised that they were allowed to hold the baby while she was still so small and fragile in the intensive-care nursery, but he wouldn't trade the experience.

And he medical specialists say ney, too, are coming around.

We are just getting started with this. It will be interesting to see how it all turns out," said Dr. Richard Sidebottom of Fort Worth Neonatal Associates, who specializes in highrisk pediatrics. "It certainly has some advantages. It helps the mother and baby feel close to each other. I have a little trouble believing the babies don't get cold or that they grow

Sidebottom said he was shocked to see a baby as small as Paul Pulizzo, who gets cold every time anyone opens his isolette, warm up when his mother holds him, but he has seen it

"It's going to take a while to sort all this out," Sidebottom said. "I hope it works."



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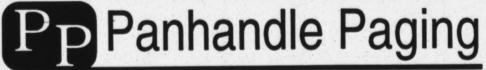
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Classifieds Severe insect problems in cotton crops causing major losses in areas of Texas

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) Severe insect problems in cotton crops have caused major losses for several regions in Texas, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service

Richard Minzenmayer, Extension entomologist in Ballinger, said Runnels County is experiencing possibly the worst financial disaster in its history because of the plague of beet armyworms in their cotton crops.

"Many farmers are going out of business because they have no yield at all from this year's crop," Minzenmayer said.

Only 50,000-60,000 out of 220,000 possible acres of cotton will be harvested because of the massive number of beet armyworms, which number 40 to 50 per row foot of

"We're trying to get disaster relief money and low-interest loans for some farmers who have lost everything," he said. "The best thing for them to do right now is plow up the destroyed fields as soon as possible to get rid of the insects."

Dry weather and mild winters are two of the causes of beet armyworm and other insect problems in the West Central district and other districts experiencing problems. Jose Pena, Extension economist in Uvalde said insects from last year never died off because of the mild winter.

"Winter conditions combined with a fairly wet spring and dry summer have allowed beet army worms to multiply," Pena said.

Although conditions in the southwest part of the state have not been as severe as in the west central area, Pena said a 15 percent to 20 percent decrease in cotton yield is expected in his district. "This year has been one of the

best cotton markets we've seen in the last few years, but we haven't had cotton to sell to take advantage of it," Pena said.

In addition to the decrease in yield, farmers have experienced a 20 percent increase in cost due to heavy chemical spraying and irrigating that this summer's insect problems and dry conditions have caused.

Emory P. Boring III, Extension NORTH TEXAS: Soil moisture short entomologist in Vernon, said the to very short. Pastures, ranges, fall Rolling Plains region has also experienced extra costs of \$40 to \$50 per acre due to insect problems.

Boring said that although beet armyworms have been a problem, their main problem is aphids.

"We've had very heavy aphid problems, partly because of the lateness of our cotton crop," Boring said. "Some beet armyworms have migrated in, but we've had a wide range of pests bothering us, unlike other regions in Texas.

John Zeitler, meteorologist at the National Weather Service Agricultural Service Center in College Station. said a low pressure trough will produce widely scattered showers and thunderstorms across Texas on Wednesday.

"Rainfall amounts up to one and one-half inches are possible in the High Plains," Zeitler said.

High pressure will build into the region Thursday through Saturday. bringing fair skies and hot conditions. High temperatures will range from the low to mid-90s on Wednesday to the upper 90s and lower 100s Thursday through Saturday, with low temperatures from the middle 60s to the middle 70s, Zeitler said.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: Soil moisture adequate to short. Pastures, ranges in good condition. Corn, sorghum crop condition improving due to rain, cooler temperatures. Most of cotton crop has good boll set; insects are a problem. Harvesting potatoes, onions.

SOUTH PLAINS: Soil moisture short. Pastures, ranges need moisture. Cotton in fair to good shape; boll setting near completion; no open bolls at this time. Some grain sorghum turning. Livestock in good condition.

ROLLING PLAINS: Soil moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges, livestock in good condition. Cotton making rapid growth, setting fruit; insect problems have exploded in some areas; scouting being conducted for boll weevils, aphids, beet armygardens declining rapidly due to dry conditions. Harvesting corn, soybean, pine trees. Baling hay. Preparing land for fall planting. Livestock in fair to good condition.

EAST TEXAS: Soil moisture adequate. Pastures declining rapidly in dryer regions. Corn harvest nears completion; good stands. Sorghum harvest complete. Third hay cuttings underway. Fall gardening underway.

Cattle in good condition.
FAR WEST TEXAS: Soil moisture short to very short. Pastures, ranges need moisture. Onion, cantaloupe harvest near completion. Irrigating, cutting, baling alfalfa hay; irrigating sudan hay. Bollworm, aphid activity high. Livestock in fair to good

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: Soil moisture very short to surplus. Peach harvest nears completion. Corn harvest complete. Grain sorghum approaches having beet armyworm worm problems. Livestock in good condition.

excellent grazing for cattle; market sugarcane irrigation.

down. Grain sorghum yield above average. Peach harvest complete. Scab becoming a problem on pecans. Peanut planting complete.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: Soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures, ranges rebounding after rains. Harvesting watermelon, corn, grain sorghum, rice. Peanuts blooming; setting pegs. Fall

gardens being planted; moisture helpful. SOUTHWEST TEXAS: Soil moisture adequate to poor. Pastures, ranges in above average condition. Forage conditions poor in deep Southwest Texas. Corn harvest near completion; good yields. Cotton crop experiencing above average pest

COASTAL BEND: Soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures, ranges in good condition. Cotton being picked: yields good where tropical storm did not cause damage. Corn harvest near completion. Livestock market steady; cattle in excellent condition.

SOUTH TEXAS: Soil moisture harvest as heads turning. Cotton is short. Pastures, ranges producing good growth due to rain. Cotton harvest peaked; yields low. Fall CENTRAL TEXAS: Soil moisture vegetable bed preparation delayed adequate. Summer pastures providing due to rain. Rain alleviated costly

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Women gain some ground on men in political arena

Problem still remains: not enough are willing to run for public offices

By SAM ATTLESEY The Dallas Morning News AUSTIN - Carole Keeton

Rylander remembers well her first

Two days before the election in 1977, her male opponent and two prominent businessmen called a news conference to complain that a woman wasn't tough enough to be mayor of

The local paper carried the story with a bold headline citing the men's charges. That same day many women and a few men poured into her headquarters to help turn out the vote, Ms. Rylander said.

She now credits the backlash from her challenger's late campaign tactic with giving her the edge in that race, which she won with 50.8 percent of the vote. "We've come a long way since the 1970s," she said.

Indeed, since women won the right to vote 75 years ago, they have made slow but increasingly steady progress in the once-macho world of Texas politics. In legislative races, for instance, women have become slightly more successful than men in winning elections.

The National Women's Political Caucus in 1991 named Texas a "role model state for women candidates" after Democrat Ann Richards was elected governor and women served as mayors of 11 major cities.

Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison became the first woman in the state to serve in the U.S. Senate when she won a special election in 1993.

And women now turn out in higher numbers than men in statewide elections, meaning that candidates for high office court disaster if they forsake the female vote, analysts say.

Others involved in politics say that compared to the progress made by women in other parts of the country, women in the Lone Star State have not fared as well.

'We've made some headway, but we are a long way from 50 percent (of offices). We need at least one-third of elected offices so that people don't think it is strange that women are in politics," said Ernestine Glossbrenner, president of the Texas Women's Political Caucus and a former state representative.

Women constitute 18 percent of the Texas Legislature, ranking it 32nd of the 50 states in the percentage of

Although women hold a record number of 41 statewide, congressional and legislative posts, men occupy 201 of the offices. Of the 41 women, 24 are Democrats and 17 are Republicans.

Women account for about 24 percent of the top municipal posts in the state and about 26 percent of the county courthouse positions, excluding judicial posts.

"By and large, women who want to be politically active in Texas run

and, now, careers."

Ms. Woods said that some women are discouraged from running because of the "myth" that women have a more difficult time winning elections than men. She points to research on legislative races in Texas from 1986

During that period, women candidates had a slightly better success rate than men: 98 percent of incumbent

women won re-election vs. 97 percent

seats won 61 percent of the races

compared to 60 percent for men. And

women challengers won 17 percent

of the races, while male challengers

The increase in the numbers of

Veteran Rep. Debra Danburg,

'I had to struggle and scratch and

This session, however, Ms. Danburg

We had 25 or 30 people insisting

women in the Texas Legislature has

heightened the sensitivity of male

lawmakers to the concerns of women,

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Women candidates running for open

as men, partly because "women's first on issues or political party than priorities still are children, their family gender, according to consultants and polls.

A recent survey conducted for 'The Dallas Morning News' found that 78 percent of the women polled said it does not matter whether a candidate is male or female. Among men, 84 percent said gender didn't

"The issues that win campaigns are the same for men and women, they're all economic issues," said Dallas political consultant Carol

Austin consultant Karl Rove, who has advised Ms. Hutchison and several other women candidates, agreed.

"It has more to do with culture and partisanship than it does gender,' he said. "Appeals by women candidates to 'vote for me because I'm a woman' traditionally fall flat."

Still, Ms. Reed said women and minority candidates continue to face "higher standard than men," having to "over-prove our qualifica-As far as campaigning, candidates

who engage in mudslinging campaigns face alienating women voters, said Ms. Reed and other consultants. "Women are real turned off by the

in-your-face kind of stuff and men seem to revel in it," she said. Male candidates also now

routinely add planks to their campaign platforms that are attractive to women voters, such as equality in the workplace and domestic violence

In Texas, appearances by GOP contenders are almost a must at the Texas Federation of Republican Women clubs across the state.

Also, candidates, especially those who support abortion rights, vigorously seek the support and endorsement from organizations such as the Texas Women's Political Caucus

Amid the changes in campaign tactics, Ms. Hutchison said In Texas, women tend to vote more particular appeal to women should be for a candidate's philosophy, stand a secondary factor.'

"A candidate first has to appeal to the general constituency," she

Gender emerged as a major factor in 1990 when Ms. Richards became the first women to be elected governor of the state in her own right when she defeated Republican rancher and oilman Clayton Williams.

'Another man for Ann" T-shirts and "A Lady for Claytie" buttons dominated the political landscape as both campaigns tried to bridge the gender gap.

Many women were insulted after series of gaffes by Williams, including a joke about rape and a refusal to shake Ms. Richards' hand at a joint appearance.

Ms. Tolleson-Rinehart and co-author Jeanie Stanley noted in their book that Williams "may have been the last major party candidate in Texas to appeal so openly to its macho cowboy past or, in less-flattering terms, to Bubba."

"His appeal was gender-based, a clarion call to fading visions of frontier masculinity. It won him significant male support (and even the backing of some women) but, in the end, it also cost him a victory," they

In an election that she carried by only 99,000 votes, Ms. Richards drew percent of the female vote, including many Republican women alienated by Williams' campaign mistakes.

He received 56 percent of the male vote, but that was not enough to offset the female support for Ms. Richards, especially since women turned out in higher numbers.

In her bid for re-election in 1994, Ms. Richards faced Republican George W. Bush, who avoided the gaffes that doomed Williams.

Bush easily won the contest in which women made up 53 percent of

Ms. Richards had 51 percent of the female vote but 42 percent of the male vote. Bush had 49 percent of the female vote and 58 percent of the male vote, according to interviews

with voters leaving the polls. Analysts said most of the Republican women who had voted: against Williams returned to the GOP;

fold and backed Bush. Celia Morris, author of another book about the 1990 campaign called 'Storming the Statehouse," said women were not as enthused about

were four years earlier. She said the 1990 campaign was seen by many women as a crusade to bring Texas its first female governor in modern times.

Ms. Richards' re-election bid as they

The other top-of-the-ballot race last year featured Ms. Hutchison seeking her first full term to the U.S. Senate.

She received 61 percent of the female ote and 61 percent of the male vote in her overwhelming victory over Democrat Richard Fisher.

As for party affiliation, exit polls indicate that Texas women tend to identify as Republicans and vote for GOP candidates more than women nationally.

'Texas women have made more of a shift to the Republican Party than across the country," said Micheline Blum, a New York-based pollster for The Dallas Morning News."

In 1994, 40 percent of Texas women oters called themselves Republican, while nationally, 33 percent said they were Republicans.

Thirty-six percent of the Texas women said they were Democrats, while nationally the number was 41 percent.;

Democratic and Republican officials credit Ms. Richards and Ms. Hutchison: for paving the way for more women in the state to become active in politics and to seek office.

We've made enormous advances, but it is very difficult for us to get to a place of total parity," Ms. Richards

Ms. Rylander, the former Austin mayor who now serves on the Texas Railroad Commission and is one of six women holding statewide office, said the future for women in politics in Texas is bright.

"We still need more breadth and depth," she said, "but there is no limit.

"People have seen that women do a good job in public office and so they are willing to support

-- U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

up against a stronger dose of traditional stereotypes than is true in of incumbent men. many parts of the country," said Sue Tolleson-Rinchart, a political science professor at Texas Tech University.

them (financially)"

"Texas still has this very socially conservative and moralistic strain that makes it difficult for especially men to see women in leadership positions," said Ms. Tolleson-Rinchart, co-author of a book about the 1990 governor's race titled "Claytic and

the Lady." On the positive side, consultants and officeholders say the biggest change for female candidates in the past two decades is in receiving nancial support for their campaigns.

"When I first ran it was very difficult in 1971 to raise money for the state legislature," said Ms. Hutchison, who was the first Republican woman elected to the Texas House. "But I believe that people now have seen that women do a good job in public office and so they are willing to support them (financially).

The problem in Texas, as it is across the country, is that not enough women seek public office, said Harriett Woods, president of the National Women's Political Caucus.

'You don't get there unless you run," she said on a recent trip to Texas to recruit women candidates.

Seventeen percent of the candidates for legislative seats last year in percent nationally, she said.

Texas were women, compared to 23 women holding legislative seats. Most of rural East and West Texas Ms. Richards, the former governor, are represented by men in the said that not as many women seek office Legislature. Laser procedure gives hope to heart patients

By MIKE EMBRY

Associated Press Writer LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) - Ray Mitchell was doing all the right things after triple-bypass heart surgery in

The former accountant for General Electric Co. was exercising seven days a week, eating the proper foods and trying to cope with everyday It wasn't working. He was having

chest pain. He became winded after minor tasks. He was getting weaker.

"I became frustrated and didn't want to tell anybody," said Mitchell, 47, who first suffered a heart attack while running in a marathon in 1982. "It came to the point where I prayed and wished to die."

Doctors told him he wasn't a good candidate for another bypass operation. He also had had five angioplasties that failed to open up clogged arteries around his heart. It seemed he was out of options.

Then Mitchell met Dr. Allan Lansing, a nationally recognized surgeon who once worked on the artificial heart team with Dr. William

On Valentine's Day last year, Mitchell underwent a new surgical procedure Lansing is performing called transmyocardial revascularization - or TMR - at Audubon Regional Medical Center in Louisville.

Using a newly developed Heart Laser, Lansing pierces 15 to 30 one-millimeter-size holes through the outside wall on the left side of the heart to create a secondary circulation

The outer layers of the heart heal almost immediately, but the continued beating action forces the holes to stay open in the interior, diffusing oxygenated blood into the oxygen-starved tissue.

Since the operation, Mitchell has

turned to an active lifestyle that cludes playing golf twice a week. "I haven't felt anything since the ocedure," said Mitchell, who also tures about heart attacks at

The U.S. Food and Drug Administion recently put the Heart Laser

on the fast track toward being approved for general use by granting an expedited review to the laser's maker, PLC Medical Systems, Inc. of Milford, Mass.

In initial trials of TMR last year, 40 patients treated at Audubon had Class IV angina, the most severe classification of chest pain on a four-step scale. After one year, 90 percent were reduced to Class I or II, or had no angina at all.

Lansing, a heart surgeon for 37 years who has performed more than 70 TMR operations, is impressed with

"It's not as spectacular as the first open-heart operations, and it's not as spectacular as the transplantations,' he said. "But the number of people who can be helped by this is enormous.'

Clinical results at six other U.S. hospitals showed 83 percent of patients had a reduction of two or more angina classes after the surgery.

There are 25 Heart Lasers in use around the world, and more than 600 TMR procedures have been performed, according to PLC Medical Systems. Despite the promising tests, Lansing doesn't believe that TMR will replace a first-time bypass operation.

"The bypass is a well-established procedure," he said. "We know it vorks immediately.

TMR offers hope to those who can't undergo a second bypass

A TMR procedure costs an average \$12,000 with a five-to-seven day nospital stay while an average heart bypass surgery has a nine-day stay and a \$42,000 cost, according to

Besides Audubon, other hospitals participating in the second phase of the clinical trials on TMR are Seton Medical Center in San Francisco, University of Pittsburgh Hospital, Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York, St. Luke's Medical Center in Milwaukee, Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Texas Heart Institute in Houston and Rush Presbyterian Medical Center in



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