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Latham holds onto his seat; margin widens

By Don Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

When the ballots were counted Nov. 3, Jerry O'Connor found himself needing seven votes to oust the incumbent and take a seat on the Deaf Smith County Commissioners Court.

O'Connor, a Republican making his first bid for public office, challenged Johnny Latham, a Democrat who has held the Precinct 4 commissioner's seat for many years.

After the first tally, Latham held a 377-371 edge. O'Connor requested a recount of the ballots and on Thursday county election officials examined each ballot.

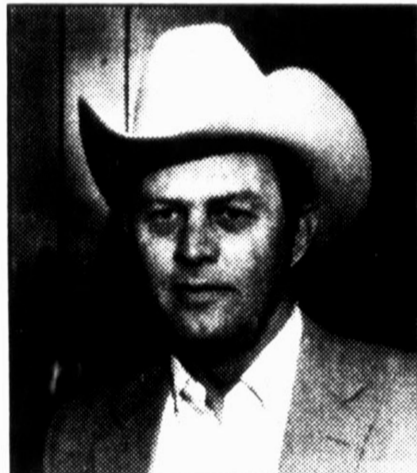
After the recount, O'Connor found himself losing by nine votes. In the recount, Latham's total rose to 381; O'Connor gained one to 372.

Latham gained two votes in the early voting and two in voting Precinct 4.

O'Connor also picked up another vote in the early voting, but saw no change in any of the voting precincts.

The final results in the election are (told count in parentheses):

- Early Voting: Latham, 113 (111); O'Connor, 111 (110)
- Precinct 4: Latham, 215 (213); O'Connor, 132 (132)
- Precinct 5: Latham, 7 (7); O'Connor, 48 (48)
- Precinct 6: Latham, 37 (37); O'Connor, 59 (59)
- Precinct 7: Latham, 9 (9); O'Connor, 22 (22).



Johnny Latham



Mauri Montgomery/Brand

Cheering 'em on -- Fans of the Hereford High School Whitefaces gathered at Kids Inc. baseball complex Thursday night for a pep rally and bonfire to show support for the team in its bidistrict football clash. The Herd will face the Plainview Bulldogs at 2 p.m. Saturday at Whiteface Stadium. The game marks the Herd's first appearance in the football playoffs since 1992, when Hereford was defeated 19-7 by Plainview.

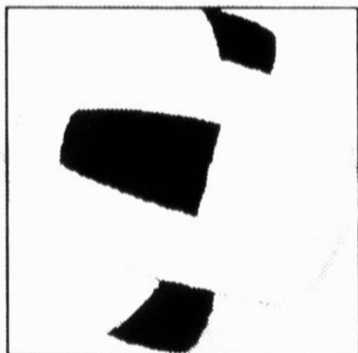
Playoff!

Lady Whitefaces take on Dumas in Regional 1-4A

The Hereford High School Lady Whitefaces will face district rival Dumas in tonight's Region 1-4A volleyball final.

The game will begin at 7 p.m. at Amarillo Caprock Activity Center.

A victory over Dumas will send the Lady Whitefaces to the state tournament in Austin -- and a chance to earn their third straight state championship.



Consumers ignore market, fill stores

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a hopeful sign for holiday sales, Americans spent briskly on cars and clothing in October, shrugging off the plunging stock market at home and economic turmoil overseas.

Retail sales rose 1 percent to a seasonally adjusted \$227 billion last month, the Commerce Department said today. It was the biggest increase in five months.

"What consumers are saying — 'We're feeling less confident' — is not yet reflected in what they do," said economist Ian Shepherdson of High Frequency Economics in

Valhalla, N.Y.

Though the sales number was supported by a 2.6 percent surge in auto purchases, the largest in 15 months, all broad categories of goods managed at least modest gains and most did better. Excluding autos, sales rose 0.5 percent.

It could be a sign that Christmas sales might not be as weak as some analysts feared.

The Labor Department said today that prices charged by factories, farms and other producers increased 0.2 percent in October, reflecting the first

increase in energy costs in five months. Core prices, excluding the volatile food and energy components, rose a mild 0.1 percent.

For the first 10 months of this year, producer prices declined at a 0.5 percent annual rate, compared with a drop of 1.2 percent for all of 1997.

Earlier this year, consumers' responses to survey questions showed their confidence at levels unseen since the late 1960s. As the international economic crisis hit home, roiling financial markets in the late summer and early fall, their exuberance began to

wane and some economists worried consumers would severely curtail their spending.

The labor market isn't quite as strong as it was this spring and the unemployment rate has crept up from 4.3 percent to 4.6 percent. By historical standards, jobs remain plentiful.

Low rates reduced the cost of car and other installment loans and allowed many homeowners to refinance their mortgages, cutting their monthly payments and freeing up cash for other purposes.

Spy in the sky to survey Deaf Smith County land

"The system works off multiple satellites. Weather and heat waves won't distort the image because the data is bounced off satellites and stored as it comes in."

Mike White

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

A little bit of technology goes a long ways when it comes to the latest surveying equipment.

And the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Service of Deaf Smith County is one of the first TNRCs offices to get a Global Positioning Satellite surveying set-up.

The system, according to Mike White with TNRCs office, allows one man to do the work of three men in less than half the time.

"The system works off multiple satellites," said White. "Weather and heat waves won't distort the image because the data is bounced off satellites and stored as it comes in."

The system has many uses, among which includes the drawing of topographical maps used to determine elevation and characteristics of the land.

Data provided from GPS surveying equipment can be instrumental in laying out appropriate conservation techniques, irrigation wells and equipment and even planting schedules.

White explained the system is extremely accurate — within a pencil's diameter. Not only is it accurate, but operators can carry the collection pack on their back and use the equipment while riding horseback, a four-wheeler, or from the back of a pickup.

"We'll be able to record data while we're traveling 20-30 miles per hour," said White.

The use of the GPS systems will decrease down time to less than 30 minutes, said White, and that is only to allow satellites a chance to



Dianna F. Dandridge/Brand

Mike White of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Service in Deaf Smith County demonstrates a Global Positioning Satellite surveying system. The Deaf Smith office is one of the first TNRCs offices in the state to get the new setup.

line up occasionally.

The new equipment will serve Deaf Smith, Oldham, Parmer, and Castro counties and was made available through a Texas Water Producers Board grant and the funds provided by the TNRCs.

Included in the package is the surveying equipment, data recorders and a laptop computer which allows to collect data, visualize their work and see what needs to be changed before they go back to the office.

The entire system cost about \$38,000 dollars, but White says it should easily pay for itself.

Producer prices up 0.2 percent in October

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prices charged by factories, farms and other producers rose 0.2 percent in October, reflecting the first increase in energy prices in five months and rising costs for vegetables and eggs.

The seasonally adjusted increase in the Producer Price Index for finished goods, reported today by the Labor Department, was slightly larger than expected. It wasn't likely to rattle economists' belief that inflation is largely being kept in check by lack of demand resulting from a worldwide economic slump.

For the first 10 months of this year, producer prices declined at a 0.5 percent annual rate, compared with a drop of 1.2 percent for all of 1997.

Many analysts believe continued low inflation could give Federal Reserve officials confidence to cut interest rates again at their next meeting on Nov. 17, in order to further insulate U.S. businesses from global economic troubles.

In October, seasonally adjusted energy prices rose 1.2 percent, the first increase since May and the largest in nearly two years. Gasoline prices were up 5.7 percent, after steady declines that have brought them down more than 25 percent from a year ago.

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AREA HAPPENINGS



Courtesy Photo

Tiffany Teters (left) won first place in the recent local Elks Hoop Shoot girls age 10-11, division at Hereford Junior High School. Taking second place was Celia Padilla (center) and Sabra Paetzold finished in third.

Real

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averaged allowing "only 225.1 yards per game.

"They play defense extremely well," Parr said. "With their schemes, I think it's going to be hard for us to run the ball. . . . We're going to have to try to throw the ball more than we have to have a chance."

The Whitefaces hope to re-establish their offensive attack, which at one time was averaging more than 320 yards per game, but saw production slip to 284.2 yards per game by the end of the regular season.

"There's been some extenuating circumstances," Yenser said, noting weather and field conditions in addition to conservative play-calling. "We're going to try to be more aggressive. I feel like we have that capability."

Lubbock city council OKs WPHL team

LUBBOCK (AP) — Lubbock is getting a Western Professional Hockey League team. The Lubbock City Council on

Thursday approved the plan to join the minor league with a team to take the ice next season. The team hasn't yet been named.

Yenser added that freshman quarterback Cody Marsh and sophomore Eddie Lacey will both play Saturday. Lacey went down with a sprained ankle against Amarillo Caprock. The decision on who will start will not be made until just before kickoff.

"We like our chances," Yenser said. "I think our kids are very confident. We've still got to get the job done, and they have an excellent and talented football team. They're awful hard to beat."

But the Whitefaces aren't ready to see their long road back to respectability end just yet. "It's been a successful season," Holman said. "We were picked to go dead last and we wound up district co-champions. (But) we're not going to stop right here. I think we can go as far as we want to go."

Williams

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minor-league baseball contract he signed coming out of high school, Williams has paid for his mother and sisters to move to Austin and for his sisters' tuition at Texas. He's also set up a trust fund for his father's children from a second marriage.

Then there's Williams' relationship with Doak Walker.

Williams had never heard of Walker when he won the college running back of the year award named for the 1948 Heisman Trophy winner, so he did some research. Williams found as many stories about Walker's grace and class as a person as his exploits as a player — which is exactly how he hopes to be remembered.

The pair became fast friends after spending time together at two awards dinners. Then, less than two weeks after Williams was honored in Dallas, Walker was paralyzed in a skiing accident. Complications from the injuries led to his Sept. 27 death.

Williams had kept in touch with his new friend throughout the eight months he fought the pain. Skeeter Walker said Williams' constant phone calls, cards and letters always raised her husband's spirits. Many also brought tears to her eyes.

The week after his mentor died Williams started wearing a helmet decal of Walker's No. 37. The next week, he made a one-game switch from jersey No. 34 to No. 37. The game was

against Oklahoma at the Cotton Bowl — "The House That Doak Built."

It may be hard to believe now, but Williams started his career at Texas as a fullback. His primary role for two years was to block for Shon Mitchell.

Williams ran for 990 yards as a freshman, breaking Campbell's rookie record, while Mitchell led the team in yards and carries. Williams set a school sophomore record with 1,272 yards, then last year broke Campbell's single-season school record with 1,893 yards while leading the nation in rushing and scoring.

The NFL was ready for Williams, but Williams decided he wasn't ready. Baseball had exposed him to the cold, cut-throat world of pro sports while life at Texas had been so carefree.

Williams' senior year has been everything he expected.

He's rushed for 300 yards twice, gone over 200 twice more and had two six-touchdown games. He averages 191.6 yards per game. He leads the country in rushing and scoring; if he hold onto the titles, he'll be the first player to top both categories two years in a row.

Dorsett, who jokingly told Williams in January, "I hope you fall one yard short," said last week he won't mind being pushed to No. 2.

"If your record is being broken, you want to see it done by a quality guy who spends time with his community and his family," Dorsett said.

Silent

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athletic director said Cravens is the kind of player that symbolizes high school sports. "The whole nature of high school sports isn't what I get out of it, it's what the kids get out of it," DuBose said. "We have a lot of the kids who aren't going to be great players but who are part of the team and we really want them out there."

In the classroom Cravens brought home 'A's and 'B's on

his last report card.

"S&S been wonderful accepting him," Mrs. Grantland said. "The football players have been wonderful accepting him on the team."

One player, running back Mason Beaver, went out of his way to learn sign language and used to interpret plays for Cravens until Sappenfield became Cravens' interpreter.

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NCA splits at Adrian

ADRIAN — Nazarene Christian Academy trounced Adrian 53-22 in boys junior high school basketball Thursday in the opening game of the Adrian tournament.

The Eagles were led by 16 points from Esrael Silva. Nick Foster added 12 points and Edward Silva recorded seven

points for NCA.

NCA will meet Vega at 9:30 p.m. tonight.

Adrian won the girls game 36-27 over the Lady Eagles. Lauren Torbert scored nine to lead NCA and Charlie Hensen added six.

The Lady Eagles will play Friona at 4:30 p.m. this afternoon.

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Joel seems awed by rock shrine

CLEVELAND — Billy Joel seemed awed after taking his first stroll through the rock 'n' roll temple where he will be enshrined next year.

The Piano Man toured the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum before a concert Thursday evening at Gund Arena. He learned this week that he will be inducted into the rock hall next year.

For Joel, who became a major star in the 1970s and '80s with hits including "Just the Way You Are," "Big Shot" and "Uptown Girl," being a hall of famer seems a little unreal because he'll be in the company of the rock 'n' roll legends that he listened to while he was growing up.

"To be in the same place as they are is a little overwhelming for me — people like Elvis, the Beatles, the Rolling Stones, Jackie Wilson and Wilson Pickett. That's going to take a while to sink in."

Brad Pitt

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — Brad Pitt shrugged off all the hype and went back home for a screening of his new movie, "Meet Joe Black."

"I've just been away for quite awhile, traveling a lot of places, and this is my home," the actor said Thursday as flashbulbs popped all around him at a news conference. "I just felt like I wanted to get back and bring something home."

The screenings were at Campbell 16 Cine. It's not far from Kippapoo High School, where Pitt once studied and did a little acting.

Bringing the film home proved a boon to local charities, which received \$66,750 from the sale of tickets to the film and a reception attended by Pitt.

As for all the hype that goes with being one of Hollywood's hunkiest leading men, Pitt insists he's just a regular guy who happens to make movies.

He doesn't see a movie star when he looks in the mirror. "I see a guy," Pitt said with a laugh.

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Mariah Carey

NEW YORK — A limousine company's lawsuit against Mariah Carey has run out of gas.

New Jersey-based Showcase Limousine Inc. had no right to sue the singer for reimbursement because it wasn't licensed in New York. State Supreme Court Justice Charles Ramos ruled Wednesday in dismissing the lawsuit.

Showcase worked for Carey from 1993 until it was fired last year. The lawsuit sought \$1.54 million, alleging breach of contract and fraud. It claims she owed a \$40,000 bill.

Showcase lawyer Terrence Scheurer said he planned to try to reinstate the case or to appeal.

Carey lawyer Linda Gerstel said she was pleased with the outcome.

"We were happy because the judge dismissed the case quickly without any need for her (Carey) to sit for depositions or incur expenses to defend this frivolous lawsuit," said Gerstel.

Dennis Rodman

LOS ANGELES — A cocktail waitress claims Dennis Rodman jammed a \$100 bill down her blouse and grabbed her breast.

Susan Patterson has filed a lawsuit against the Chicago Bulls star and is seeking unspecified damages.

According to the lawsuit, filed Tuesday, Rodman stuffed money and his hand down the front of her blouse and held on to her breast, then persisted despite her repeated protests.

After the Oct. 3 incident, she "sat crying and shaking for over an hour," the lawsuit claims.

The lawsuit says Rodman has a pattern of similar assaults and cites lawsuits filed against him in Nevada and Utah.

Rodman's agent said the flamboyant basketball star would defend the lawsuit.

"We have experience in dealing with frivolous lawsuits against Dennis in the past and we have vigorously fought them," said Dwight Manley.

Alyssa Milano

NEW YORK — Alyssa Milano didn't need to gaze into a crystal ball for advice when her old boss Aaron Spelling called and asked her to read a script for his new WB show "Charmed."

Milano, 25 and fresh from a yearlong stint on Spelling's steamy "Melrose Place," remembers getting his phone call about the new show. The rest was like, well, magic.

"It was like getting called to the principal's office," Milano says in December's *Cosmopolitan*. "I said, 'Send me the script.' That was on a Wednesday, and I started work the next Monday."

Now she's starring as one of three sisters who happen to be witches.

Her siblings are Shannon Doherty ("Beverly Hills, 90210") and Holly Marie Combs ("Picket Fences").

Peter Arnett

NEW YORK — Peter Arnett is returning to the airwaves, four months after nearly losing his job in the fallout over CNN's retracted story about nerve gas use in Vietnam.

Arnett has filmed six reports on the civil war in Algeria, where an estimated 75,000 people have died in political violence since 1992. The reports are due to air soon.

"It was mutually agreed that we needed to let some time pass and get some appropriate stories for him to cover," CNN spokesman Steve Haworth said.

Arnett has not been on CNN since a follow-up report in June on Operation Tailwind. He narrated CNN's original Tailwind story in May that alleged U.S. forces used the deadly gas sarin in a 1970 mission to hunt down American defectors in the Vietnam War.

Nelson to help out flood victims

NEW BRAUNFELS (AP) — Farm aid champion Willie Nelson plans to hold a benefit concert to help area flood victims.

Nelson will play Dec. 3 at Gruene Hall on the outskirts of New Braunfels along the flood-ravaged Guadalupe River. Proceeds from the \$50 tickets will go to flood relief efforts.

This will be Nelson's first formal perfor-

mance at Gruene Hall, a 100-year-old dance hall that has become a popular music venue and frequent backdrop for movies and television commercials.

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Business honored -- Sue Hyer (center), chairperson of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Business Retention Committee, presents a certificate of appreciation from the Chamber to Consumer's Fuel Co-op Association Inc. manager Darren Heiman. Attending were other members of the committee and employees of Consumer's Fuel Co-op.

'Most exciting governor' learning how to be one

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — Jesse Ventura of Minnesota says he will be the "most exciting governor." First he has to learn how to be one.

Ventura, the former professional wrestler whose only previous political experience was as a suburban Minnesota mayor, promised to "keep my mouth shut and my ears open" as he arrived at a conference for new governors.

Eleven of the 13 governors-elect, including Democrat Gray Davis of California and Republican Jeb Bush of Florida, were expected to attend seminars led today and Saturday by 20 sitting governors.

The advice runs like this: choose your advisers well; learn to "live in a fishbowl"; and above all, be bipartisan, a suggestion the governors say Congress and President Clinton would do well to follow.

Governors think they have been ignored in Washington over the past two years, after having played a key role on several issues in 1995-96, including the overhaul of the welfare system.

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"Governors tend to be more pragmatic. We're more interested in solving problems than in ideology."

Delaware Gov. Tom Carper, a Democrat

in ideology," said Gov. Tom Carper of Delaware, a Democrat.

Nevada's new governor, Kenny Guinn, did not need the lesson. The utility executive and banker who has never held public office will be the state's first Republican governor in 16 years.

"Once you're elected you don't have a 'D' or 'R' on your forehead," he said.

Ventura's presence alone would serve to warn governors about the perils of partisanship. His election on the Reform Party ticket in a three-way race was the biggest surprise of this year's election.

He has impressed Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, a Democrat, as a "straightforward tell-it-like-it-is guy."

Ventura was easily the biggest attraction at the conference, even though he was returning this afternoon to Minnesota to help coach a high school football game. He is the volunteer conditioning

coach at Champlin Park High. He will miss sessions on building coalitions, developing an agenda, dealing with the media and working with legislators.

But in case anyone was wondering, Ventura does not feel any particular pressure in his new job.

"I've done many pressurized things in my life," he said at a news conference Thursday night, one of two he was to hold while in town. He was dressed in a fringed leather jacket, black pants and white boots, holding forth outside the \$270-a-night Hotel DuPont.

"I haven't been in the ring for 12 years, but I sold out Madison Square Garden three times. There's a little pressure there."

Before that he was a Navy SEAL.

"I was a demolitions expert. Connect the wrong wire. That's pressure. Jump out of an airplane, that's pressure. Dive 200 feet under the water, that's literally pressure."

Chamber accepting reservations for gala

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce is accepting reservations for its first "Holiday Winter Gala," which will be 6-7 p.m. Nov. 16 at the Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C.

Seating for the event is limited, and residents are urged to contact the chamber office at 364-3333 to obtain tickets.

The "Holiday Winter Gala" will feature a meal, style show, booths set up by local merchants, door prizes, and presentation of the Bullchup Award.

The cost is \$15 per couple.

Marine officer under scrutiny after writing an anti-Clinton article

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A U.S. Marine reserve officer is being investigated for writing an article in which he accuses President Clinton of committing adultery and lying.

An inquiry has been ordered this week after the New Orleans-based Marine Forces Reserve learned of a Nov. 9 opinion piece in *The Washington Times* written by reserve Maj. Daniel J. Rabil, spokeswoman Maj. Paula Buckley said Thursday.

He is the third military officer to write disparaging comments about Clinton in a publication, and the second to be investigated.

Rabil, 34, joined the Marines in May 1986 and became a reserve officer in 1990. He is now attached to a unit based in Camp Pendleton, Calif.

In his article, Rabil expressed indignation over Clinton's record in office, called for his impeachment and described the president as "a lying draft-dodger," who has "always had contempt for the American military."

"Bill Clinton has always

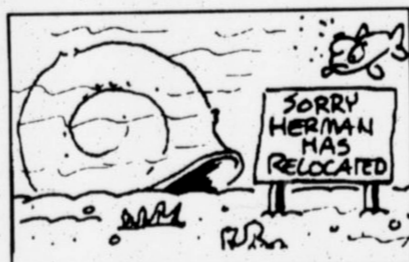
been a 'moral coward,' Rabil wrote. "To subject our services to such debased leadership is nothing less than the collective spit of the entire nation upon our faces."

The Uniform Code of Military Justice prohibits those serving in the armed forces from making disparaging remarks about their civilian superiors.

Despite a stern reminder about the code from top Pentagon officials last month, at least two other officers have called publicly for Clinton's removal over his relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

On Oct. 16, the Marine Corps began an investigation of Maj. Shane Sellers, a 20-year veteran who labeled Clinton an "adulterous liar" and "a criminal" in a letter published by the *Navy Times*.

And Army Col. John R. Baer lambasted Clinton in a letter published Oct. 12 in the *Army Times*, an independent paper, urging the commander-in-chief to stop issuing signed letters of appreciation to officers when they retire.



The hermit crab's home is an empty sea snail shell. When the crab grows to big for the shell, it hunts for a larger one.

Fitness guru must pay alimony

DALLAS (AP) — Fitness guru Susan Powter has been ordered to stop the excuses and pay her ex-husband \$143,860 in alimony.

Lincoln Apeland, a Dallas mortgage loan officer, went to court to collect on the \$4,166-a-month payments Ms. Powter agreed to pay him when their marriage ended in 1995.

She has been unable to pay up because of financial trouble, her lawyer said. Ms. Powter, who has filed for bankruptcy, now lives in Seattle and did not appear in court.

"Have you ever heard about getting blood out of a turnip?" lawyer Stephen Cooper asked Wednesday in court.

Apeland, 36, married Ms. Powter, 40, sev-

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Flag presentation—Los Ciboleros Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution presented a flag of the United States of America to Herford Regional Medical Center during a ceremony on Veteran's Day. Charlotte Clark, right, Los Ciboleros chapter registrar and nutritional consultant for HRMC, made introductory remarks. Argen Draper, third from right, chairman of chapter commemorative events, made the flag presentation to John Studsrud, HRMC administrator. Matt Collier with Top of Texas Millwrights furnished and set the flag pole and Mark Collier with American Home Patient furnished the gold ball to top the flag pole. Members of Los Ciboleros chapter and HRMC employees attended the ceremony.

Syndicated Columnist

Ann Landers



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: You took a load off my shoulders when you printed the following words: "An inheritance is a gift, not an entitlement." And your timing was perfect. I had just finished a letter to my son informing him why I took him out of my will. That letter will be in my living trust.

Of course, I wondered, "Did I do the right thing? Am I being small-minded?" Your column gave me the answer. It said, "To reward unloving behavior is for the birds." That did it for me.

I see so many sad and lonely parents who suffer in silence and make excuses for their "busy" children and grandchildren because they rarely come and visit. I notice when the old folks die, those children and grandkids come running mighty fast to check out the will.

Well, my children and grandkids are in for a big surprise. Thanks, Ann, for opening my eyes. I'll bet you opened a lot of other eyes, too. — Suddenly Smart in Middle America

Dear Suddenly Smart: Thanks for letting me know I helped. And now, I will repeat that critical message for those who didn't get it the first time: An inheritance is not an entitlement; it's a gift and should be regarded as such. If there is no one in your family you wish to leave money to, please be aware that some worthy organizations would deeply appreciate your help.

Dear Ann Landers: Is it my

imagination, or is the service industry becoming a bit too chummy? At a restaurant recently, a wait staff person greeted me and my female guests with "Hi, guys." The remainder of the meal was served with the same informality. "Would you guys like another drink?" "Are you guys going to have some dessert?"

Recently, on a flight from Los Angeles to Chicago, the purser (as she described herself) used precisely the same language. She announced over the speaker system, "If you guys would sit down, we could get this plane away from the gate."

I find this informality unprofessional and somewhat offensive. Am I out of touch? Am I too stuffy? — J.F.C. in Chicago

Dear Chicago: Out of touch? Stuffy? Not at all. Your letter is sure to be seen by the flight attendants and waiters worldwide. To them, I would add, "If you see yourself in this column, shape up."

Dear Ann Landers: I just read your column about the phone scam in which someone pretending to be an AT&T technician asks you to dial 90#. That gives the con artist access to your phone line and the ability to make long-distance calls. Although in your response you said the scheme is mostly directed at businesses and government agencies, some of your readers may have gotten the impression that this could happen to them at home.

Please make it clear to your readers that this scam works only if you are on a specific type of business phone system. It will not work with your average residential phone

customer.

You might also warn business managers how to avoid this scam by training their employees to understand the office phone system and know how to protect their outside lines. Thanks for setting the record straight, Ann. — Internet Reader

Dear Reader: Actually, YOU are the one who set the record straight. I appreciate your taking the time to write.

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Patients in Herford Regional Medical Center on Nov. 13:

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Local church plans observance of 25th anniversary this Sunday

Community Church will celebrate its 25th anniversary Sunday with a special service and Thanksgiving dinner.

The special speaker at the 10 a.m. service will be former pastor Morris Means.

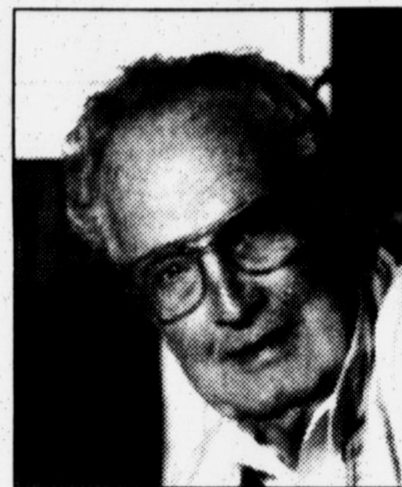
A Thanksgiving dinner will follow at 12 noon in Herford Community Center.

A home group that consisted

of people from different denominations held its first meeting on Nov. 4, 1973.

Means was called as pastor in August 1974 and functioned in that capacity until 1982.

All area residents are welcome to attend the special services and dinner. Call 364-8866 or 364-2423 to make reservations.



Morris Means

Westway FCE completes preparations for bazaar

Westway Family Community Education Club held its regular monthly meeting Monday evening at the County Extension office.

A program titled "A Good Time Is Coming" was presented by Beverly Harder, County Extension Agent. She demonstrated new and old Christmas decorations and festive foods.

Grace Covington read the poem "Share the Sunshine" as the opening exercise.

Roll call was answered by naming "My favorite high

calcium food."

President Carolyn Evers presided over the business meeting. Following the Council report by Covington, final plans were discussed and reports made for the Westway Country Christmas Bazaar to be held Saturday, Nov. 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Herford Community Center.

Volunteer hours were reported.

Refreshments were served by hostesses Bonnie Duke and Covington to Helen Brown, Evers and Harder.

Cramer presides at meeting of Herford Toastmasters

Sharon Cramer presided at the Thursday morning meeting of Herford Toastmasters.

Jigger Rowland gave the invocation and Margaret Del Toro led the pledge.

Toastmaster was Oscar Barrera III and time was Adolfo Del Toro.

Margaret Del Toro, as

wordmaster, introduced the word "aplomb."

Cramer served as topicmaster for topic speakers Margaret Del Toro, Rowland, Barrera and Dan Hall.

Dr. Milton Adams told the joke.

Also in attendance at the meeting was Aurora Flores.

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TUESDAY-Breakfast pocket; or cereal, buttered toast, grape juice, milk choice.

WEDNESDAY-Scrambled eggs, blueberry muffin; or cereal, buttered toast, orange quarter, milk choice.

THURSDAY-Little smokies, biscuit and jelly; or cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, milk choice.

FRIDAY-Hash browns, Texas toast; or cereal, buttered toast, banana, milk choice.

with crushed pineapple, milk choice.

THURSDAY-Sliced turkey with dressing and gravy, candied yams with marshmallows, green peas, hot rolls, pumpkin pie with topping, milk choice.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, burger fixings, waffle fries with catsup, fruit cup, no bake cookies, milk choice.

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

MONDAY-Ham and macaroni casserole, carrots, applesauce, bread, oatmeal raisin cookie, milk.

TUESDAY-Spaghetti with meat sauce, sweet peas,

blackeyed peas, toast pineapple cake, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Nacho grande, pinto beans, tossed salad, cherry cobbler, milk.


THURSDAY-Turkey and dressing with gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fruit salad, milk.

FRIDAY-Hot dogs, tator tots, corn, cinnamon rolls, orange juice, milk.



Which came first? The chick or the egg? That answer remains a mystery, but third graders at St. Anthony's School answered several other questions while examining and comparing eggs during their enrichment class. The activity concluded a study of animal life cycles.

In the 253-verse poem, *Pugna Porcorum*, written by Placentius, a 16th-century Dominican friar, every word begins with the letter p. The first line, translated from the original Latin, is: "Piglets, praise pigs' prolonged progeny."

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Glenn had his TV moment, but TV still youth-obsessed

For a while there, John Glenn ruled. Even allowing for the old-geezer jokes (one of them self-inflicted during his "Tonight Show" orbital appearance), Glenn commanded the nation's attention and respect. And the nation's TV airwaves.

Not that a youth-obsessed culture was left transformed by Glenn's example as a can-do senior. A magnificent achievement at any age, his nine-day shuttle flight played for many TV viewers as a heroic but slightly quaint novelty act. The sentimental journey of an old space jockey. An exhilarating stunt to behold.

Then ... back to "Ally McBeal" and "Buffy the Vampire Slayer." Briefly the toast of television, Glenn must now prepare for TV's stark indifference to him — that is, as a viewer. After all, he's a 77-year-old retiree, a full generation removed from anything approaching demographic vitality.

Hero, schmero. According to marketing gospel, people like John Glenn don't buy as much stuff as their juniors, nor with the same abandon. Consumers like Glenn have had decades to figure out the goods they prefer and may be loath to change their purchasing habits on the strength of a 30-second TV spot. They're seasoned. They're cautious.

And since they're no longer souped-up shopping machines, they have outlived their usefulness in the marketplace. A recent episode of ABC's

FRAZIER MOORE Associated Press About television



"Fantasy Island" took a funny poke at this ageist theory.

The elderly character played by Fyvush Finkel heatedly replies to a remark from his aged associate by cracking, "Nobody's interested in your opinion. I've got news for you, sister — you're not the target demographic. Eighteen-to-49, that's all they care about. As far as the network's concerned, you might as well be dead."

All you viewers age 50 and over, remember that outburst the next time you read a ratings story where a network boasts about its 18-to-49 demographics. Largely unheeded and unserved by television, you might as well be dead.

Meanwhile, old can be tantamount to dead for those pursuing a career in youth-obsessed TV.

Despite being nearly a half-century younger than Glenn, actress-screenwriter Riley Weston feared that she was, in Hollywood's warped perspective, practically geriatric. Maybe she could hear an echo of the 1960s battle cry, "Don't trust anyone over 30." In any case, she sure didn't trust her industry to trust her skills once she left behind her 20s.

What could she do? She lied! And until last month, when she was exposed as being a ripe old

32, Weston successfully passed for a 19-year-old writer on the college-angst drama "Felicity."

Apparently, she was well-advised to perpetrate her scam. The Writers Guild of America has released a study suggesting that, within its ranks, employability is inversely related to age.

The study revealed that nearly three-quarters of film and TV writers in their 20s have a job, while the figure drops to 59 percent for those in their 30s and plunges to one-third for those in their 50s.

Poor Riley. At 32, nearly over the hill.

Just as a lot of TV viewers are over the hill.

Sure, Glenn and other demographically challenged viewers are thrown bones like CBS' "Diagnosis Murder," a willfully bland crime show meant, in demographic lingo, to "skew old."

Every network is seeking a fountain of youth. And one way to find it is with young performers, as *TV Guide* noted this week with its cover on "Young Hollywood," whose "hot new stars are changing the face of television."

Many of those hot new stars are seen on the WB, home of such series as "Dawson's Creek," "Charmed" and, yes, "Felicity." These youth-targeted shows have hit the bull's-eye, viewers 12 to 34 — "the demo we sell to advertisers and what they've come to expect from us," declares a WB sales pitch.

Frazier Moore can be reached at fmoore@ap.org

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NOVEMBER 13

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SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 14

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Pee-wee	Candy	All Dogs Go	Enigma	San Diego	Holmes	Pretenders	Countdown	Ghostbusters	Harveytoon	Heathcliff
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SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 15

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
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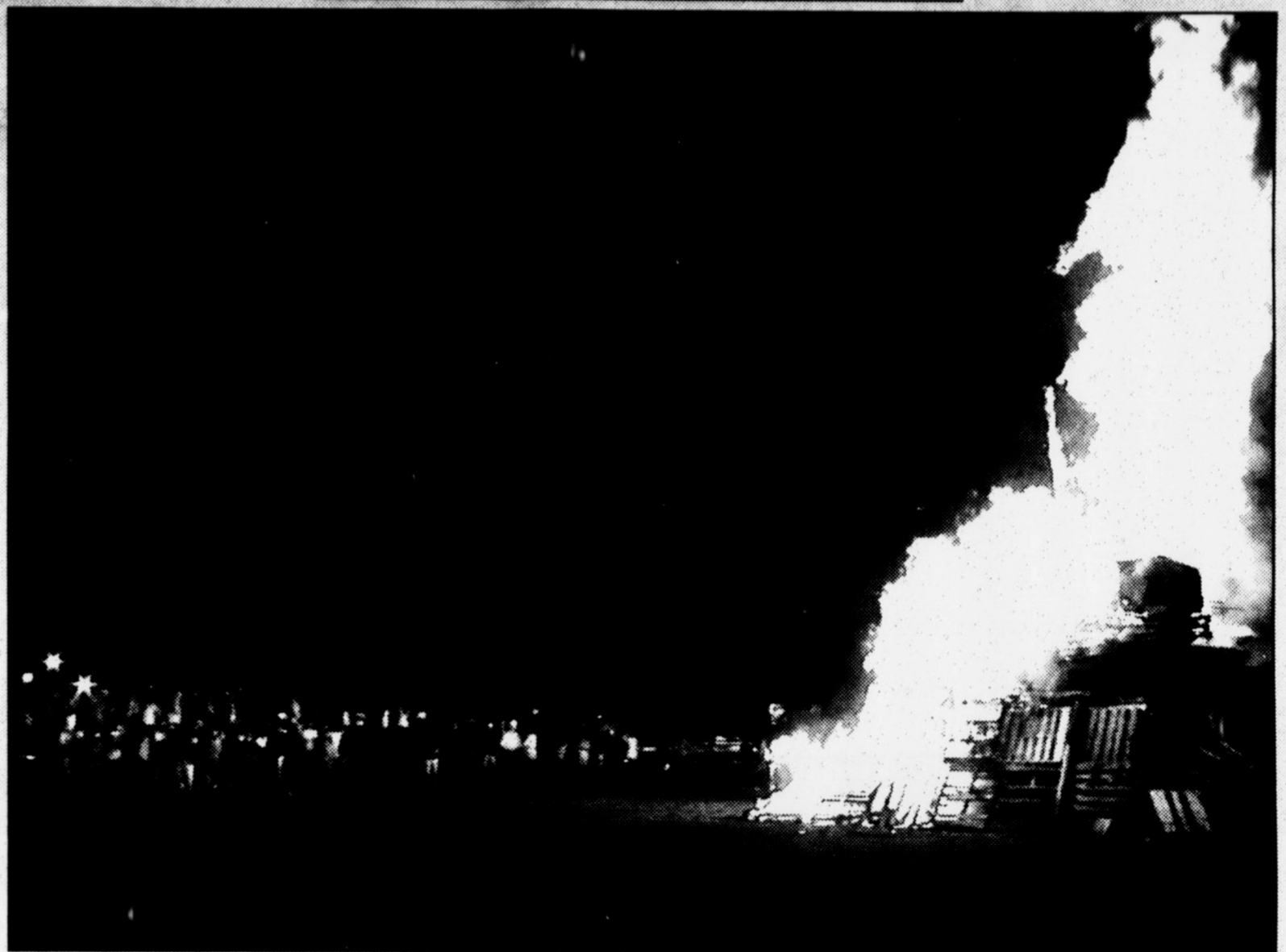
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Fans gather -- Hereford Whiteface fans gathered Thursday night for a bonfire and pep rally at the Kids Inc. baseball complex. The fans were cheering on the Herd, which will play host to the Plainview Bulldogs in a bidistrict football playoff game. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m. Saturday at Whiteface Stadium. The game marks the Herd's first appearance in a playoff game since 1992, when Plainview also was the opponent. The Bulldogs won that contest 19-7.

Crisis in the Gulf

Worried Iraqis queue up outside fuel stations

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Thousands of Iraqis worried about U.S. airstrikes lined up outside gasoline stations today, while the official media ignored the evident loss of Arab support in Iraq's confrontation over U.N. weapons inspections.

Official newspapers published articles hailing President Saddam Hussein's decision to end all cooperation with the U.N. Special Commission, known as UNSCOM, and claiming there was worldwide condemnation of American threats.

The United States has beefed up its military strength in the Persian Gulf and is threatening airstrikes in an attempt to force Iraq to allow inspections by UNSCOM,

which is responsible for eliminating Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.

"The world calls for dialogue and peace, and America seeks war and aggression," the official al-Iraq newspaper said.

"There is condemnation of American threats on both Arab and international levels," al-Thawra, the mouthpiece of the ruling Baath party newspaper, said in a banner headline.

The newspapers made no mention of the warning issued to Iraq on Thursday by several Arab countries. The countries called for "wisdom and reason" to end the confrontation but said Saddam's government alone would be "responsible for any conse-

quences" from stopping the work of U.N. weapons inspectors.

The criticism by the six countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council, Iraq's vulnerable neighbors, along with Syria and Egypt, was unusually strong for Arab countries, which repeatedly have called for a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

At a news conference Thursday, Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz said if the Arab countries were sincere about resolving the crisis, "they should blame the main block ... the United States."

Today, Iraqi newspapers claimed Iraq was capable of defeating the United States.

America knows that "any limited aggression will not achieve its goals," al-Thawra said. "A large-scale and sustained aggression will shake the whole region and lead to explosions of unspecified consequences."

An opposition party in exile said Iraqi security forces have fanned out in various cities and are taking control of major roads. Night patrols have intensified, the Iraqi Communist Party said in a statement received in Cairo, Egypt. The report could not be independently verified in Baghdad.

The feeling of an imminent strike was evident from the rush to fill up with gasoline. At one station, about 20 cars were lined up in front of each of its eight pumps.

Newt says he will serve out his term in House

WASHINGTON (AP) — Outgoing House Speaker Newt Gingrich said today that he will serve out his current term before leaving office in January.

Gingrich, R-Ga., announced Nov. 6 that he would leave Congress in the wake of elections that whittled his party's House majority to six votes.

But he did not specify when.

On his way to an orientation session for the House's incoming 40 freshmen this morning, Gingrich told a reporter that he would serve out his term. The 106th Congress will be sworn in Jan. 6.

Gingrich was easily re-elected to an 11th two-year term on Election Day. To re-

place him, Georgia's governor is expected to soon schedule a special election, which will probably be a nonpartisan race early next year. In such an election, all candidates are listed on the ballot without party identification, with the top two vote-getters meeting in a run-off if no candidate topped 50 percent.

Republicans held an 11-vote margin in the 105th Congress, and GOP leaders had been hoping to add up to 40 seats in the Nov. 3 voting. Many rank-and-file lawmakers blamed their leaders for their party's poor electoral showing, saying they had failed to provide them with a coherent agenda.

Democrats look at Boston, Denver, L.A. for 2000 confab

WASHINGTON (AP) — The field of possible host cities for the 2000 Democratic National Convention has dwindled to Boston, Denver and Los Angeles.

After a lengthy discussion Thursday, the roughly 40

members of the Democratic National Committee's site selection committee endorsed the three finalists by unanimous voice vote. They eliminated Miami, Minneapolis and New Orleans from consideration.

The Republicans last week chose Philadelphia for their late July 2000 convention. The Democratic convention will be held in August 2000.

Steve Grossman, the DNC national chairman and Boston native, and Colorado Gov. Roy

Romer, the DNC general chairman, will pick a winner later this winter.

Privately, officials have said that Los Angeles will almost certainly win the convention, because California is key to the Democrats' strategy.

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Ruling protects workers from wrongful termination

HOUSTON (AP) — A Texas appellate court has ruled in favor of a Houston man who claimed he was harassed into quitting after refusing orders to illegally load software onto personal computers.

Long Ba "David" Nguyen claimed he was asked by his employer, Technical and Scientific Application, to load software onto computers in 1996 in violation of federal copyright laws. He alleges TSA demoted him and then harassed him into resigning in 1997 because he refused to follow the orders.

The 1st District Court of Appeals on Thursday ruled in favor of Nguyen, saying workers who are harassed into quitting can sue employers for wrongful dismissal under a 1985 landmark decision by the Texas Supreme Court.

The 1985 decision, known as the Sabine Pilot exception, had previously protected only those who were fired, not those who resign.

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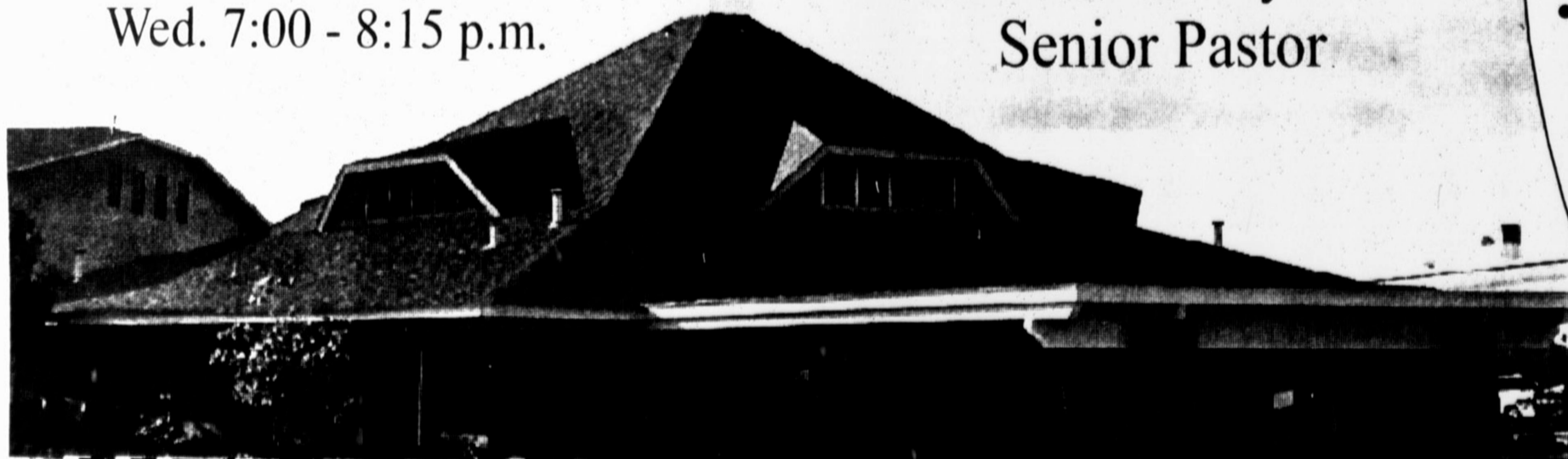


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