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Auction pulls in record \$36,550

By Becky Thorn
Hereford Brand Lifestyles Editor

If there are a lot of smiles around the Hereford Senior Citizens Center these days, it's easy to understand why.

The senior citizens association's 9th Annual Festival of Trees auction was the most successful ever, raising a total of \$36,550 to benefit the center.

"I had people tell me not to expect too much from this year's auction since the economy was so bad. But this was the largest amount in the nine years of the festival," Margie Daniels, executive director of the Senior Center, said.

The previous record was set four years ago when the auction brought in \$28,675, according to Daniels.

"We had several businesses who came to buy a tree but weren't able to because the bidding was so high," Daniels said. "But a couple of the businesses donated the money they intended to spend to the auction without being able to take a tree."

The top-selling tree, titled "Christmas Traditions," was purchased by Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center for \$6,000. The tree was decorated by Sharon Bodner and Hereford Senior Citizens and sponsored by Keeling Cattle Feeders Inc.

Coming in a close second in dollar amount was another tree decorated by Bodner and the Senior Citizens which sold for \$5,600 to Garrison & Townsend Seed Co. It was titled "Silent Night" and was sponsored by Bar-G Feedyard.

The following is a summary of the auction of the trees and other items, including the names of the trees or items, the purchaser, the decorators and sponsors.

1. "Angels in Our Midst," Garrison-Townsend Inc., \$750. Donated to Severe and Profoundly Handicap Unit/Shirley School. Decorated by Severe and Profoundly Handicap Unit/Shirley School. Sponsored by Jim Rich-Webster Carpets and Beef Tech Cattle Feeders.
2. 48-inch pre-lighted decorated wreath. Marie Griffin, \$250.
3. "Angels Watching Over Me," Morris and Mildred Crider, \$500. Donated to Hereford Care Center. Decorated by Girl Scouts. Sponsored by Edward Jones and Caviness Packing Co. Inc.
4. "Golden Memories," Cecil and Ella Oglesby, \$600. Donated to Deaf Smith County Youth Home. Decorated and sponsored by Golden K Kiwanis.
5. "Old Fashioned Christmas," Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center, \$550. Donated to a deserving family. Deco-



BRAND/Mauri Montgomery

This tree marked the start of a record-breaking night for the Hereford Senior Citizens Association at its 9th Annual Festival of Trees auction. The tree went for \$750, setting the stage for the association, which garnered nearly \$36,600 at the auction.

rated by West Central Intermediate School. Sponsored by Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union and Newton Trucking, Inc.

6. Quilt made by Senior Citizens "Sugar Ants Quilters," Carl Kleuskens, \$350.

7. "The Tweet Tweet Christmas Tree," Bobby Owen, \$625. Decorated by Ray's Trucking. Sponsored by Maxor Pharmacies and Southwestern Bell Telephone.

8. "Christmas Memories," Valley Farms, John Stribling, \$575. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by Collier's Phillips 66 and Goodin Fuels, Inc.

9. "There's No Business Like Snow Business," Garrison & Townsend Inc., \$700. Donated to Aikman School. Decorated by Aikman School. Sponsored by Northwest Grain and Fertilizer.

9A. Lighted wreath with Nativity scene, Jo Ray, \$300.

10. "The Twelve Days of Christmas," Bob Josseland, \$675. Decorated by Margie and Connie Daniels. Sponsored by Summers Insurance and Harolds Body Shop, Inc./Pickup Corner.

11. "Victorian Charm," Marie Griffin, \$1,275. Decorated by

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Christmas Stocking Fund 1999



Charity committee ready to begin applicant screening process

By Mauri Montgomery

Hereford Brand Publisher

The anonymous volunteers who administer Hereford and Deaf Smith County's homegrown holiday charity, the Christmas Stocking Fund, have nearly 300 applications for assistance to consider this year.

In coming days, committee members will be screening applications and making hard decisions on help to be extended in forms including food baskets, clothing vouchers, and aid with utility, medical and pharmacy expenses.

Assistance from CSF is determined by the amount of money donated by caring and sharing citizens of Hereford and Deaf Smith County.

Currently, the volunteer committee is asking that any churches or civic clubs wishing to adopt families for assistance this Christmas contact the Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

The local Red Cross office, although not affiliated with CSF, acts as a liaison and helps coordinate assistance from churches and clubs to avoid duplication of help.

The Hereford Brand serves as the official collection point for contributions to CSF, and will begin accepting these gifts immediately after Thanksgiving. Donations may be made in person at The Brand, or mailed to CSF in care of Box 673, Hereford.

Periodically, *The Brand* will publish a listing of donors, and a tally of total contributions.

Those who wish to remain anonymous should so designate their gifts.

Holiday closings set

Students in the Hereford Independent School District have a lot to be thankful for this holiday. After all, they not only got out of class an hour early today, they won't be returning to school until Monday morning.

Other area residents won't be as fortunate as the students, however, as most businesses will be closed only on Thursday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Advertising deadlines for *The Hereford Brand* will be changed for the holiday. Display advertising for the Friday issue must be submitted by 5 p.m. today; classified ads for Friday must be in by 10 a.m. Wednesday.

The *Brand* office will close at noon Wednesday and will reopen at 8 a.m. Friday to allow the newspaper staff to enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday.

All state and federal offices will be closed Thursday for the holiday. The U.S. Postal Service will not make residential or business mail deliveries Thursday; however, special delivery mail will be processed.

Deaf Smith County and City of Hereford employees will be off Thursday and Friday. The courthouse and city offices will reopen Monday morning.

All financial institutions will be closed Thursday and will reopen Friday.

Senator schedules session

Bivins to discuss issues facing 76th Legislature, hear from constituents

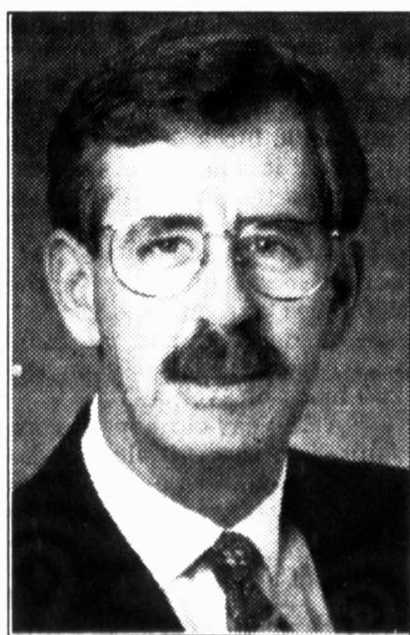
State Sen. Teel Bivins will conduct a town hall meeting at 1 p.m. Dec. 1 at the Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C.

Bivins, R-Amarillo, whose Senate District 31 includes Deaf Smith County, will discuss the 76th Legislature, which will convene Jan. 12, 1999. He also will answer questions from constituents and solicit their views on statewide issues.

Much of the attention prior to the session has focused on the projected \$6.3 billion state budget surplus and how to deal with it.

The Legislature will determine how to use the budget surplus, as well as debate issues such as electric deregulation, sexual predators, social promotion in the schools, and charging county inmates for room and board.

"I look forward to hearing from my constituents regarding these issues and others," Bivins said. "Their input will help me focus my energies during what I expect will be a very intense session."



Sen. Teel Bivins

County facing deadline on fuel tanks

By Don Cooper
Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Merry Christmas!

The Deaf Smith County commissioners received an early present from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) in the form of a requirement governing fuel storage tanks.

Under TNRCC regulations, the owners of fuel storage tanks have until Dec. 22 to install corrosion protection and monitoring systems. If the tanks are not in compliance, the county must have an approved plan in place by the deadline.

At the Nov. 9 meeting, the commissioners decided to seek bids on corrosion protection/monitoring.

However, only Wilborn Bros. of Amarillo bid on the project, although Eagle Corrosion Control of Graham did fax in an estimate.

The Wilborn Bros. bid would run the county \$20,848 for the installation of the corrosion protection. The company also would bill the county

about \$1,500 per year to handle the monitoring and reporting responsibilities. The reports will be sent to the TNRCC.

Not included in the Wilborn Bros. bid is pollution insurance, which county foreman Bobby Hammock said would be about \$6,500 per year.

In looking at the individual precincts, the Wilborn Bros. bid was:

- Precinct 1: \$7,432;
- Precinct 2: \$3,182;
- Precinct 3: \$4,308
- Precinct 4: \$5,926.

The total bid, excluding the monitoring/reporting, is \$20,848.

Although Eagle Corrosion Control provided a quote of \$5,250 per precinct, the Graham company had not conducted an on-site inspection, as did Wilborn Bros.

After lengthy discussion, during which the commissioners considered going to a card system for gasoline purchases through the county's supplier, the commission rejected the

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BRAND Don Cooper

Dennis Newton (right) of the county Extension office introduces Michael Lloyd, new extension agent, to members of the Deaf Smith County Commissioners Court at Monday's meeting. Lloyd, a native of Canadian, is relocating from Nucla, Colo.

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LIFESTYLES

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Staying caffeine free can be vital It's not okay to substitute



Ann Landers
Syndicated Columnist

Dear Ann Landers: I recently watched a TV newsmagazine show and had my worst suspicions confirmed. It showed restaurant employees serving regular coffee to customers who had requested decaf.

The program caught employees "topping off" and even filling empty decaf pots with regular coffee. Their attitude was "Who will know the difference?" One employee laughed when she was confronted while pouring regular coffee into a decaf pot. Her comment was "A little regular coffee won't hurt anybody."

I want to tell her that it can hurt some people. Me, for example. I used to get killer migraines from caffeine. Once I switched to decaffeinated coffee, the headaches stopped. Several times, I have been served regular coffee in a restaurant, even though I specified decaf, and it makes me angry. I pay for the waiters' carelessness or laziness the next day. I am sick as a dog and can't get my head off the pillow.

Anyone who has suffered from migraine headaches knows what a living hell it can be. I hope my letter will let those restaurant employees know that some customers who request decaf have a good reason for doing so and that their wishes should be respected. — Caffeine Free in Indianapolis

Dear Indianapolis: You have

performed a valuable public service for millions of readers by writing to me today. Thank you for preventing several thousand migraine headaches around the globe. P.S. Some people find that caffeine raises their blood pressure. And, of course, pregnant women, nursing mothers and people taking certain medications should avoid caffeine. Waitpersons, take note.

Dear Ann Landers: I read your column about after-prom sleepovers saying no teenager could possibly handle the temptation presented by the situation. Almost all the responses you printed were from parents. As a college freshman, I would like to say I was deeply offended by those letters.

After both my junior and senior proms, a friend of mine hosted a co-ed sleepover. All our parents, mine included, gave their permission because they trusted us. I am proud to say we proved ourselves worthy of their trust. Both junior and senior parties were 100 percent drug-free, alcohol-free and sex-free.

Several of my friends and I have made a commitment to save sex for marriage, and I am confident that we will honor that commitment. Please print this letter on behalf of teenagers everywhere who think the way I do. — A Virgin in Maryland

Dear Maryland: I applaud your position. Virginity pays off. If you don't believe me, just ask some girls who have lost theirs.

Dear Ann Landers: I just read the letter from "Harvey in Orlando," who said how much in love he is with his wife after all these years. My

wife is 79, and I am 80. We were stuck at O'Hare Airport a few weeks ago, cursing the airlines after a two-hour lay-over plus a three-hour delay.

I felt a tap on my sleeve, and a female voice asked, "What's your secret?"

I asked, "What secret?" She replied, "I've been watching you two sitting there holding hands. How long have you been married?"

I told her, "Fifty-seven years."

"Oh, my," she sighed. "We've been married 12 years, but we stopped holding hands 10 years ago."

What's our secret? I have no idea. We are worlds apart in many ways but are like one in the ways that count. Sure, sex is great, but love is more durable. So, if you see a little old guy and a plumpish old gal walking slowly down the street holding hands, be assured, this is as good as it gets. — Charley in South Bend, Ind.

Dear Charley: Your letter warmed my heart. What splendid role models for the younger generation. Bless you and your sweetheart.

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Bridal shower—Amberly Tiner and Brent Allen, center, were feted with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Bobbie Wilson. The couple will be married Jan. 16. Joining them in greeting guests were, Glenda Sue Tiner, left, mother of the bride-elect, and Melba Dillard, right, grandmother of the bride-elect.

Couple feted with bridal shower

A bridal shower honoring Amberly Tiner, bride-elect of Brent Allen, was held Saturday in the home of Bobbie Wilson. The couple plans to be married Jan. 16.

Greeting guests with the honorees were Glenda Sue Tiner, mother of the bride-elect and Melba Dillard, grandmother of the bride-elect.

Refreshments consisted of an assortment of tea cookies, party mix, spiced tea and coffee.

Table appointments in silver and crystal were used on a crochet and cutwork tablecloth, centered with a red rose topiary centerpiece.

A cookware set and a set of sheets were gifts from host-

esses Peggie Fox, Venita Wear, Jo Lee, Eris Pulliam, Sue Hollingsworth, Gladys Setliff, Barbara Allen, Brenda Hagar, Louise Axe, Susan Wiggains, Shirley Wilson and Bobbie Wilson.

Andrews is speaker at Toastmasters meeting in Ranch House Restaurant

Clark Andrews was the speaker at the Thursday morning meeting of Hereford Toastmasters.

Andrews' topic was "One Day At a Time."

Sharon Cramer served as presiding officer.

Wayne Winget was toastmaster, AH counter and gram-

marian. Lydia Villanueva was timer.

As wordmaster, Cramer introduced the word "expiate."

Topic speakers and their topics were Winget-ecology; Cramer-federal government enforcement abuses; and Villanueva-status of women in other countries.

Toastmasters is an organization designed to help people improve their communication and speaking skills. Anyone interested in Toastmasters is welcome to call Cramer at 364-0164 or attend the regular meetings at 6:30 a.m. each Thursday at The Ranch House Restaurant.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in Hereford Regional Medical Center on Nov. 24:

Adriana Alonzo, Yadira Yvonne Chavez, Fabiola Nichole Flores, Martin G. Guerra, Ronda Kay Lee, Elizabeth L. Manley, Elisa A. Munoz, Lola B. Noyes, Jennifer Rodriguez, Margot Rodriguez, Angelique Danie Sandoval, Crystal Zepeda, infant girl Zepeda.

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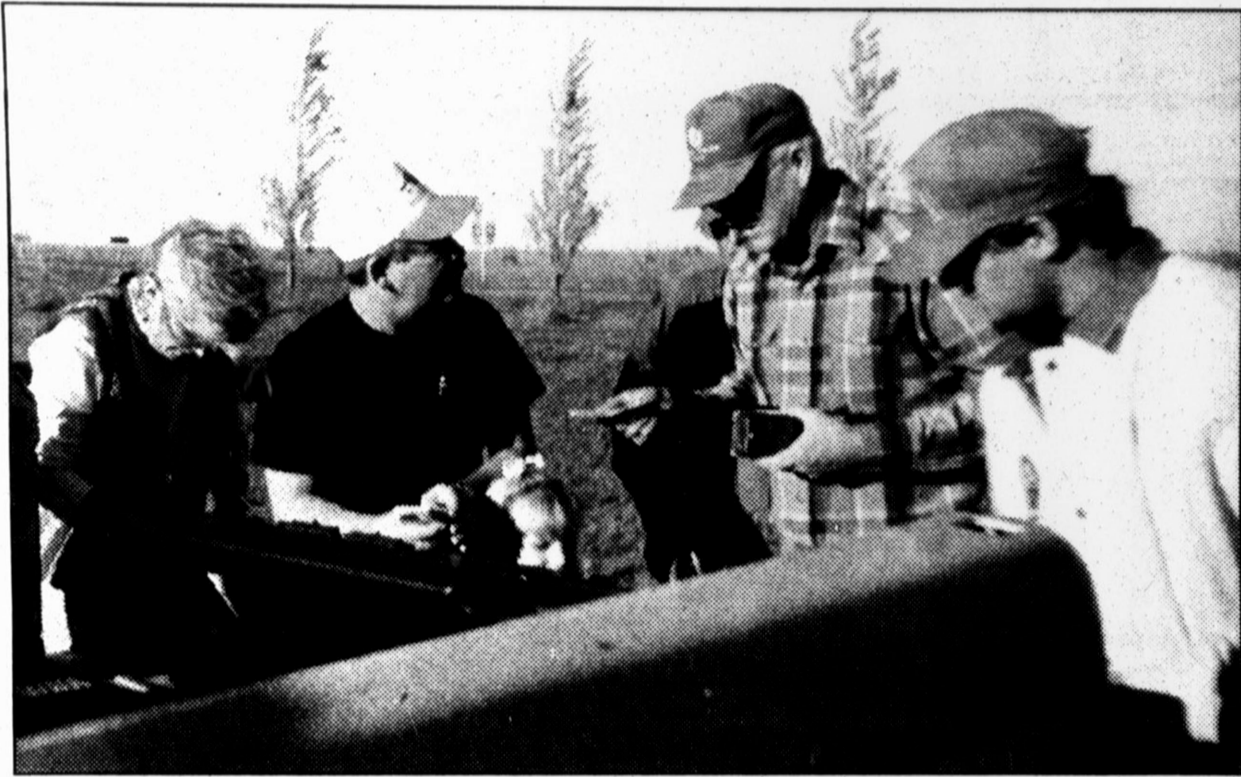
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Selling tickets—Hereford AMBUCS members, from left, Becky Thorn and Johnny Rickman, sell tickets on a Beretta 12 gauge shotgun during the Easter Lions Club annual turkey shoot Sunday. The drawing for the shotgun will be held at noon on the opening day of pheasant season, Dec. 12, at the Ranch House Restaurant. Tickets for the gun are \$2 each and are available from any AMBUCS member or at The Ranch House Restaurant where the gun is currently on display.

Youth home is discussion topic during meeting of La Afflatus Estudio Club

La Afflatus Estudio Club met in the home of Virginia Beasley and heard a program by Lou Serrano and Ramona Ramirez.

Program topic was the Deaf Smith County Youth Home. Serrano and Ramirez gave a history of the home, its purpose and accomplishments since it

was started in 1994.

Margaret Baxter, president, presided at the business meeting with Aileen Montgomery leading the Club Collect.

Agenda items were a donation to the Hereford Women and Children's Crisis Center and the selection of Dec. 1 as

the date for the Christmas luncheon. It will be held at 12:30 p.m. in Hereford Regional Medical Center dining room.

Roxie Phipps, program chairman for the meeting, introduced the speakers. Following the program, refreshments were served.

Breast cancer screening offered here

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening at South Plains Health Care Providers, Inc., 603 East Park, on Dec. 11.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening that in-

cludes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse.

A minimum of 15 women needs to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns. All exams are done by appointment only.

This clinic is available only

to women who need financial assistance. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

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Celebrity Waiter Night contributes to 'smokeout' success in Hereford

This year's Great American Smokeout in Hereford was deemed a "much bigger success than expected" by Adam Treff, president of the Deaf Smith Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Treff said besides helping people "kick the habit," a lot of local awareness was created.

A "Fresh Start" class was held Wednesday night and a "Celebrity Waiters Night" was featured at the Sirloin Stockade on Thursday.

Boosted by a check in the amount of \$500 from Sirloin Stockade—the first installment from their donation of 10 cents for every drink sold in November—the Deaf Smith A.C.S. chapter raised more than \$900 on the day of the Great American Smokeout.

Of Celebrity Waiter Night, Treff said, "Everyone really got into the spirit of the event. They're a real competitive bunch, but of course, it was for a good cause. It looked like

Sheriff Joe Brown would end up with the most tips until Jennifer Eggen, who works in the county probation office, put on her apron and really went to work," Treff said.

Eggen earned \$177.54, doing everything from serving meals to singing for customers and "even working drive-up service, although there's no drive-up window," Treff said.

All totaled, Eggen and Brown, along with Gracie Gamez of Colortyme, Police Chief David Wagner, Don Cumpston from the Chamber of Commerce, Chris Hurt from the A.C.S. in Amarillo and Dee Hamilton of KPAN earned \$402.52 in tips.


"I cannot thank our 'celebrity waiters' enough," Treff said. "We all had a lot of fun. We'll have to do it again next year."

"Just like those who served as celebrity waiters, we have other local volunteers who are here to help," Treff said. "We

have volunteers who want to help with everything from teaching women breast self-examination, to providing free wheelchairs or wigs to cancer patients, even transportation to chemotherapy treatments or doctor's visits."

Treff said there are 12 drivers in Hereford's "Road to Recovery" program who volunteer their time to provide needed transportation.

Funds raised during the Great American Smokeout will help pay expenses for the Relay for Life. A team captain's luncheon to begin Relay for Life event planning will be held from noon - 2 p.m. on Dec. 18 in Hereford Community Center.

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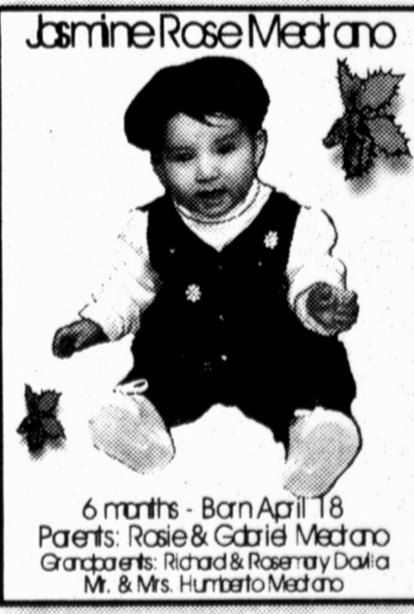
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Caprock defeats Hereford 69-13 in 1st dual

From staff reports

AMARILLO - It was the first wrestling match in the history of Hereford High School.

And as expected, it wasn't pretty, but it was a learning experience.

Learning was a tough experience in and of itself, though, as Amarillo Caprock defeated Hereford 69-13 in a nondistrict wrestling dual at Amarillo Caprock Activity Center Monday night.

It was history in the making, but it was also wrestling in the making for the Whitefaces. Caprock took 11 of the 14 matches wrestled

and won 10 of the 11 by falls.

Amarillo Caprock 69, Hereford 13

103 - Matthew Ruiz (C) pinned Chris Covina (H), 5:56; 112 - Danny Andrade (C) won by forfeit; 119 - Mario Romero (C) pinned Josh Rodriguez (H), 1:02; 125 - Perfecto Mancha (H) dec. Lance Bartholomew (C) 9-6; 130 - Carlos Soarez (C) pinned Albert Chavarria (H), 3:53; 135 - Javier Alonso (H) dec. Ricky Valdez (C) 17-7; 140 - Arturo Montoya (C) pinned J.P. Gutierrez (H), 4:32; 145 - Corey Barnes (C) pinned Ruben Lancon (H), 1:13; 152 - Marty Eskin (C) pinned Rafael Ramirez (H), 4:34; 160 - Charlie Wooten (C) pinned Edward Davilla (H), 1:05; 171 - Manny Rodriguez (C) pinned Nathan Hays (H), 1:04; 180 - Monty Fietak (H), 1:58; 189 - David Jaramillo (C) pinned Gilbert Hernandez (H), 4:58; 215 - Bobby Barba (H) pinned Jim Murphy (C), 4:14; Hwt - Rocky Martin (C) dec. Kris Hammerbeck (H) 9-3. Junior varsity Caprock 12, Hereford 9.

Getting in shape was the most valuable lesson the Whitefaces learned Monday night, according to Dominguez.

"Getting in shape was our biggest problem tonight," he said. "I think they got a good idea of what it's going to be like if you're not in shape."

Chris Govina was the first Hereford wrestler to make history. Wrestling at 103 pounds for the Whitefaces, Govina was the first Hereford wrestler ever to wrestle a varsity match.

He also was the first to get pinned, succumbing to Matthew Ruiz of Caprock in 56 seconds.

But it didn't take long for Hereford to make history once again. Perfecto Mancha got the Whitefaces' first win at 125 pounds after Danny Andrade of Caprock won by forfeit at 112 pounds and Mario Romero of Caprock pinned Josh Rodriguez of Hereford in 1:02 at 119.

Mancha decided Caprock's Lance Bartholomew 9-6 for the Whitefaces' first win.

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LOOKING UP



Valerie Guzman of Hereford (left) takes a look at the basket as she gets ready to shoot against Lubbock High's Leslie Manning Monday night at Whiteface Gymnasium. Hereford won the nondistrict game, 67-37.

Herd girls rout LHS

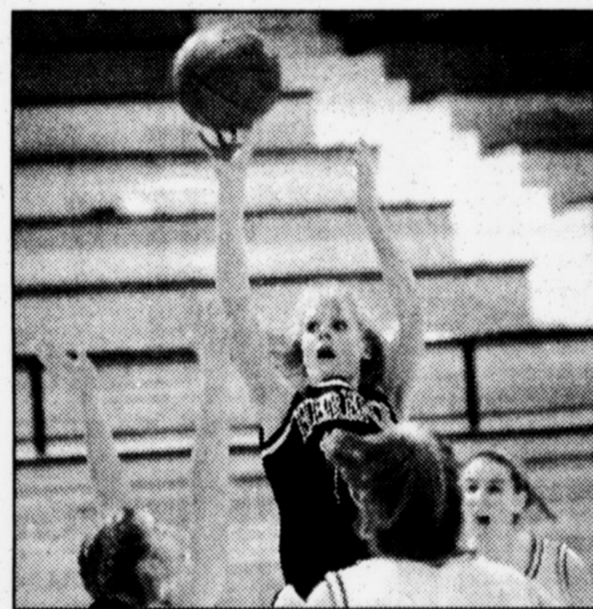
By Bob Varmette
Hereford Brand Sports Writer

Key Harrison's head coaching debut Nov. 17 at Lubbock Monterey was less than auspicious - a 67-38 thumping by the Plainsmen.

His Lady Whitefaces made sure his home debut was much more to his liking.

Hereford jumped out on Lubbock High 17-2 in the first quarter and cruised to a 67-37 rout of the Westerners Monday night in nondistrict girls basketball at Whiteface Gymnasium.

"I think our defensive pressure in the first quarter kind of took them out of it," Harrison said. "They never recovered from it. It might have been a battle if they ever got back into the game because they had some large post



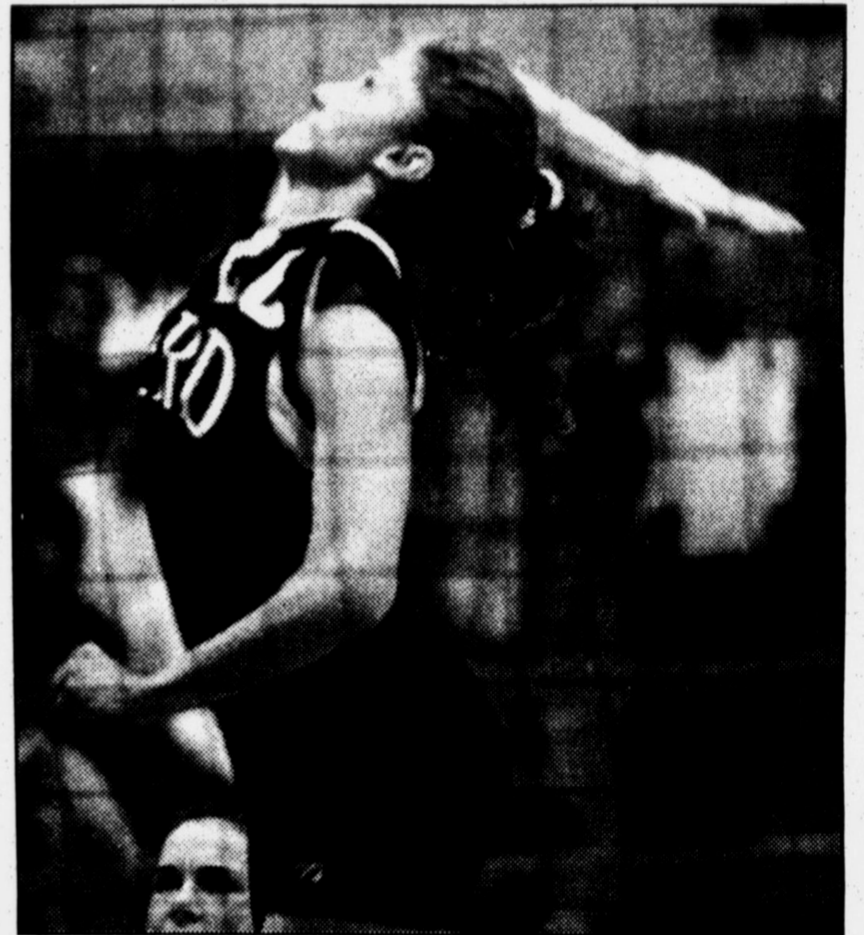
Amy Perrin of Hereford puts up a shot Saturday surrounded by three unidentified Happy defenders. Hereford won the nondistrict game, 42-35.

players."

Hereford (2-1) never gave them a chance. The Lady Whitefaces pressure defense forced Western turnovers en masse, resulting in easy buckets for Hereford.

Tori Walker led three Lady Whitefaces in double figures with 14 points. Valerie Guzman

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Tori Walker of Hereford was named District 3-4A co-player of the year Monday by district coaches.

Walker named District 3-4A's co-player of year

By Bob Varmette
Hereford Brand Sports Writer

Hereford coach Brenda Kitten was named District 3-4A volleyball coach of the year, and Whiteface junior Tori Walker was picked co-player of the year with Julie Williams of Dumas in selections announced by district coaches Monday.

Kitten led the Lady Whitefaces to a 31-6 record in 1998 and the Region I-4A final where eventual Class 4A champion Dumas defeated Hereford in three games.

"It's flattering," Kitten said. "It was one of those years when our kids showed a huge amount of improvement. I'm flattered the district coaches recognized the improvement."

Walker led Hereford with 300 kills on the season - an average of 7.81 kills per match - with a .449 hitting percentage. Walker also had 59 solo blocks and 166 digs on the season.

"Tori really stepped up and became that go-to girl that we had talked about needing," Kitten said.

Walker was also selected to the District 3-4A first team along with teammates Audra Witkowski and Lyndi Carlile.

Witkowski - a Whiteface junior setter - had a .922 serving percentage in 1998. She led Hereford with 808 (21 per match) set assists and also recorded 218 digs (16 per match).

"Audra was right up there, in many coaches' eyes, with players that were considered for player of the year," Kitten said. "She

really impressed a lot of coaches with her quickness and her ability to run down bad passes and make sets. She matured far beyond what our expectations were."

Carlile - a 5-10 senior - had 188 kills for the Lady Whitefaces and a .372 hitting percentage. Carlile also had 38 solo blocks and a .942 serving percentage.

Fangman - a senior - had 135 kills for Hereford with a .335 hitting percentage and 82 solo blocks to lead Hereford.

Fangman was named to the district second team.

"I think we were well represented," Kitten said. "You want some kind of reward for all of your kids, but the ones who got selected were in some good company."

Dumas had two selections on the first team - Williams and junior Beth Ratliff. The Demonettes' Wendy Artho and Jayme Durbin were named to the second team.

Also named to the first team were Kelli Mitchell

of Borger, senior LaKishia Harper of Amarillo Palo Duro and senior Lisa Kirkpatrick of Pampa.

Six Hereford netters get 3-4A honors

From staff reports

Six members of the Hereford High School tennis team received postseason honors announced by District 3-4A coaches Monday.

Amit Patel was named to the District 3-4A boys singles second team, and Diana Detten and Noelle Merrick were named to the girls doubles second team.

The district coaches also selected Nelson Beville (No. 2 boys), Lisa Riley (No. 3 girls), Merrick (No. 4 girls) and Annie Keenan (No. 5 girls) for honorable mention in their respective singles divisions.

Mandy Wells of Pampa was named the girls singles Most Valuable Player and Matt Coggins of Dumas was named the boys

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Detten



Patel



Keenan



Riley



Merrick



Beville

Stars rally past Sharks, 3-2

DALLAS (AP) - A second-period bodycheck by Dallas center Joe Nieuwendyk shook the Stars out of their lethargy.

Energized by Nieuwendyk's hit Monday night on San Jose defenseman Bryan Marchment, the Stars rallied from a two-goal first-period deficit with three goals in the second period capped by Grant Marshall's tally for a 3-2 victory.

Marchment's check from behind during last season's first-round playoff series between San Jose and Dallas knocked Nieuwendyk out with a knee injury.

Marchment also injured two other Stars players last season, including top scoring threat Mike Modano, making Marchment a hated player whenever he comes to Reunion Arena.

"It's obvious he's a marked man here," said Nieuwendyk, who also scored the tying goal in the second period. "Everything you can do to feed the team

San Jose 2 0 0 - 2
Dallas 0 3 0 - 3
First Period - 1, San Jose, Haulder 3 (Norton, Murphy), 2:17 (pp), 2, San Jose, Stern 2 (Matteau, Haulder), 5:29 (pp), Penalties - Zubov, Dal (hooking), 1:21; Keane, Dal (interference), 3:40; Rognerston, SJ (hooking), 10:10; Nolan, SJ (charging), 10:52; Chambers, Dal (roughing), 10:52; Verbeek, Dal (roughing), 13:21; Verbeek, Dal (misconduct), 16:04.
Second Period - 3, Dallas, Hatcher 3 (Matichuk, Modano), 2:28, 4, Dallas, Nieuwendyk 6 (Langenbrunner, Ludwig), 3:27, 5, Dallas, Marshall 4 (Zubov, Hrkac), 12:59. Penalties - Modano, Dal (holding stick), 4:27; Skalde, SJ (cross-checking), 7:20; Haulder, SJ (off-holding stick), 9:34; Langenbrunner, Dal (interference), 10:19; Hatcher, Dal (tripping), 14:06.
Third Period - None. Penalties - Kaczmar, Dal (holding), 2:10; Murphy, SJ (hooking), 3:25; Guolla, SJ (interference), 7:34; Modano, Dal (slashing), 10:45.
Shots on goal - San Jose 9-4-5-18, Dallas 9-9-3-21.
Power-play Opportunities - San Jose 2 of 8, Dallas 0 of 5.
Goalies - San Jose, Vernon 4-6-3 (21 shots, 18 saved), Dallas, Belfour 9-3-1 (18-16), A-16,928 (16,928). Referee - Dave Jackson. Linesmen - Don Henderson, Swede Knox.

with emotion and get the crowd going helps your team. From there, things started to happen."

The victory, which extended the Stars' unbeaten streak to five games (4-0-1), was in jeopardy in the game's final minute until an officiating decision went

Dallas' way.

The Sharks thought they'd scored the tying goal with 22.5 seconds left on Ron Stern's rebound. But the goal was washed out after a video review of the play because Sharks left wing Stephane Matteau was ruled to be in the crease.

Matteau still wasn't sure what happened 20 minutes after the game ended.

"I guess I was in because they disallowed it, but I don't know for sure," Matteau said. "The (replay) rule has worked for us a lot of times in the past, but tonight it didn't."

Sharks coach Darryl Sutter was more blunt: "Whoever made up that rule never played the game. We get screwed every time we come into this building. It's always one goal."

Derian Hatcher and Nieuwendyk added second-period goals for the Stars, 8-1-1 at home this season.

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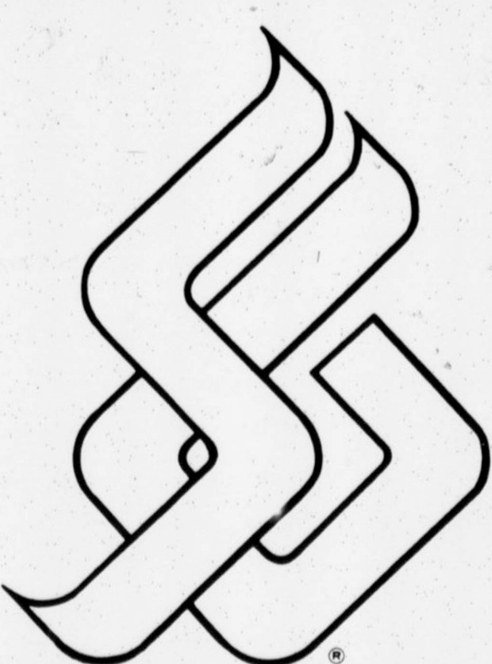
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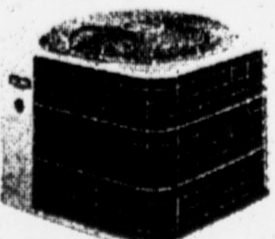
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The Cowboys defeated the Packers 26-7 Nov. 14 in YMCA 3rd- and 4th-grade flag football. Members of the Cowboys are (left to right), back row, Edward Villarreal, Riley Gonzales, Benjamin Orta, Hunter Bridwell, Ryan Mungia, Tristian Morales, Mario Coronado, Andrew Salinas, Tyrell Sparkman, Rafael Zuniga; front row, Brandon Villarreal, Jeremiah Sanchez, Jonathan Ortiz, Jonathan Fromby, Joe Enriquez, Andrew Caperton and Justin Blakely. Not pictured is Jose Montes.

Pats edge Miami, 26-23

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — The Hartford-bound Patriots have a few more years left in Foxboro and, surprisingly, at least a few more games in the NFL playoff race.

Drew Bledsoe, shaking off a sore hand, upstaged Dan Marino's late-game heroics with a 25-yard touchdown pass to Shawn Jefferson with 29 seconds left, giving New England a 26-23 win over the Miami Dolphins.

The crowd, supportive despite

the prospect of being abandoned in 2001, went wild.

New England (6-5) won for just the second time in six games. Miami (7-4), lost for the second time in six games and fell into a three-way tie for the AFC East lead with Buffalo and the New York Jets.

The winning touchdown capped a 15-play, 80-yard drive in which Bledsoe hurt his hand when he hit a Miami helmet midway through the march.

Iowa coach Fry retires Dual

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Hayden Fry, who turned a woeful Iowa football program into a three-time Rose Bowl participant, bid a tearful farewell Monday after 20 seasons as Hawkeyes coach.

Fry said that as difficult as the decision was, the timing was right for him to retire. He ended

a 37-year head coaching career that encompassed 420 games at three schools and produced 232 victories and 17 bowls.

An ex-Marine, Fry played quarterback at Baylor following a standout high school career at Odessa High.

Fry was the winningest coach in Iowa history.

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"(Mancha) looked real good," Dominguez said. "He was strong and he came from behind to win. In a week, he'll even look so much better. He's intelligent enough to know that."

Hereford got its second decision of the night at 135 pounds when Javier Alonso beat Ricky Valdez of Caprock 17-7.

"He know what it takes," Dominguez said. "He wrestled real hard."

Alonso and Mancha, along with heavyweight Kris Hammerbeck, were the only Hereford wrestlers with any significant mat experience entering the match.

Hammerbeck put up a fight with the Longhorns' Rocky Morin before losing by decision 9-3 in the final match of the night.

Caprock won seven straight matches by falls in the middle weights before Hereford's Bobby Barba was able to halt the

Longhorn string at 215 pounds. Barba recorded the Whitefaces' only pin of the evening, sticking Caprock's Jim Murphey at 4:14.

Barba is one of the many newcomers to the fledgling Hereford program, and Dominguez said his willingness to work hard on his own was part of the reason for his victory.

"It wasn't a huge surprise," he said. "He goes hard in the room, and he's doing everything we've asked of him. He's running a lot on his own and he competes that way. The win means a lot to him because of that."

Dominguez said while many of the Whitefaces were coming off the mat having lost, they were coming off smarter.

"This was a good jumping off point," he said. "They're still learning. In a month, they'll have a better handle on a lot of things — being in shape, technique. They're still thinking while the other guys are wrestling."

The Whiteface will host Amarillo Palo Duro in their first wrestling dual Dec. 5.

Stars

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The Sharks stunned the Stars with two goals on their first three shots in the game's opening 5:29, both on the power play.

Bill Houlder beat Stars goalie Ed Belfour on a shot from just inside the blue line at 2:17, Houlder's third. Stern made it 2-0 from the slot at 5:29, Stern's second.

San Jose beat Dallas 4-0 in their last meeting on Nov. 4, as the Sharks were credited with only nine shots. So after one period Monday, San Jose had scored six goals in its previous 12 shots against Dallas.

Obviously, nobody in the Stars dressing room was complaining about the overturned Sharks goal.

"Those things even out," Nieuwendyk said. "It's a tough rule, especially when it isn't involved in the play, but a rule is a rule."

Dallas scored twice over a

span of 59 seconds early in the second period to tie it at 2. Hatcher's third goal on a screened 50-footer at 2:28 cut the deficit to 2-1. Nieuwendyk notched the tying goal at 3:27 on a wrist shot from the top of the right circle, his sixth.

Marshall gave Dallas its first lead of the night when he skated into the slot, picked up a loose puck and fired it high over fallen goalie Mike Vernon at 12:59 of the second period.

The Stars were without two injured members of their No. 1 line: Brett Hull (bruised kidney) and Jere Lehtinen (fractured thumb).

Dallas now has 25 points, the most in the league, but the Stars still think they can be more consistent despite their 11-3-3 record.

"We've taken nine of a possible 10 points in our last five games," Nieuwendyk said. "We need to be more consistent, but we're still first in the league and we're doing some good things."

Netters

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singles Most Valuable Player.

Pampa dominated the girls first team with six of the seven selections with Dumas receiving the only other girls first team selection. Pampa and Dumas split the six boys first team slots.

The Lady Harvesters also dominated the girls doubles, taking all three spots. Dumas took two of the three boys doubles spots and Pampa received the other boys double selection.

John Gonzales of Amarillo Caprock was named District 3-4A Coach of the Year.

Girls

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added 12 and Toni Eicke chipped in with 11 points for Hereford.

"That's real nice, any time you can get three in double figures," Harrison said. "You're always going to have a chance, if you play good defense."

Amy McLeod was the only Westerner in double figures with 11 points. Jacque Martinez added six points for Lubbock High.

The second quarter was the only period the Westerners made a game of it, outscoring the Lady Whitefaces 16-13 to go in at half down 30-18.

The rest of the game, Lubbock High was getting run over.

The Lady Whitefaces kicked off the third quarter in much the same fashion as they started the game, using a 10-0 run that put them up 40-18 with 5:03 left in the third quarter.

"I told the girls it's kind of like a boxing match," Harrison said. "That first punch counts and you got to come out and try to attack, and they did. It turned out in our favor. Sometimes, you can get burned doing the stuff we were doing."

"We were trapping quite a bit and they weren't ready for it and didn't handle it well. Consequently, we got a good run from it."

Leading 46-24 entering the final quarter, Hereford jumped out on an 8-1 run before Lubbock High's Alicia Draper broke loose from the Lady Whiteface defense for a layup with 5:00 left in the game to halt the onslaught.

Sophomore Ashley Fangman came off the bench for the Lady

Whitefaces in the fourth quarter and scored five points to lead Hereford in the frame as the Lady Whitefaces' defensive pressure led to easy transition baskets.

"That was a lot of our offense — defensive pressure," Harrison said. "We played the passing lanes really hard. What were not playing right now really well is off the ball. Through time, we'll hopefully be able to play better off the ball."

The game was an almost 180-degree turnaround from the Lady Whitefaces' season debut at Monterey, although Harrison said Hereford can't afford to waste opportunities for easy points, which they did Monday night, particularly in the third and fourth quarters.

"In a tight game, you can't miss those easy ones," he said. "Hopefully, by the time district starts we'll be where we need to be in that area. A lot of them have only been out here a week, they're just now kind of getting where they can shoot it, and hopefully, before the season's over you don't miss any easy ones."

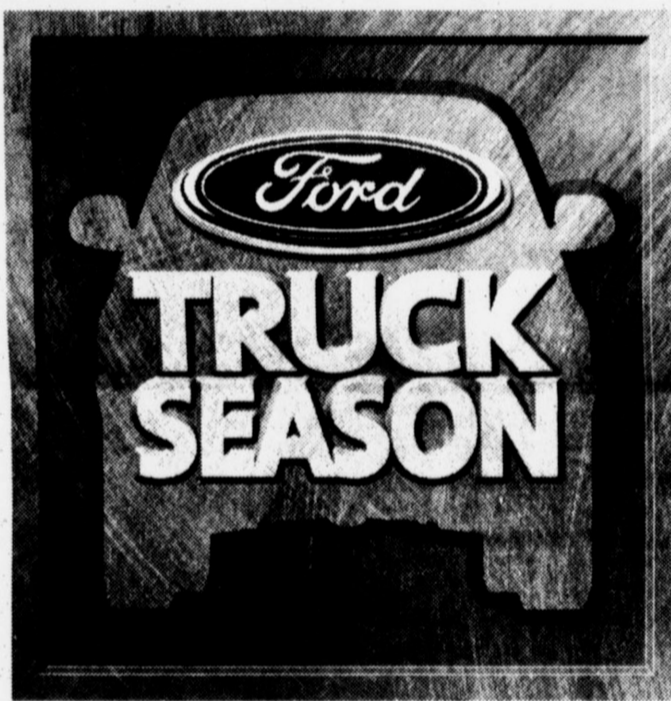
The Lady Whitefaces will play Odessa High at 11 a.m. Friday in the first round of the Turkey Classic at Wolfforth Frenship.

Saturday in Happy, Hereford got its first win of the season with a 42-35 victory over Happy. Walker had 17 points to lead the Lady Whitefaces.

Makesha Rives added seven points for Hereford and Guzman had six points for the Lady Whitefaces.

Buffy Adkins led Happy with 12 points and Evan Lair added nine.

Hereford got out to a 10-6 lead on Happy after the first quarter. The Lady Whitefaces held an 18-14 advantage at halftime.



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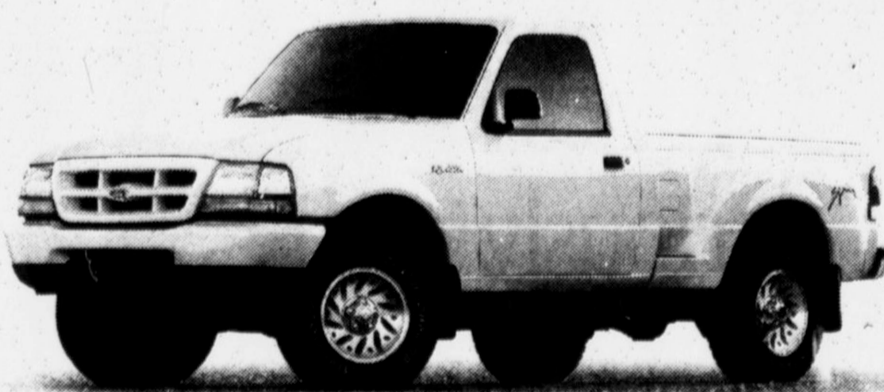
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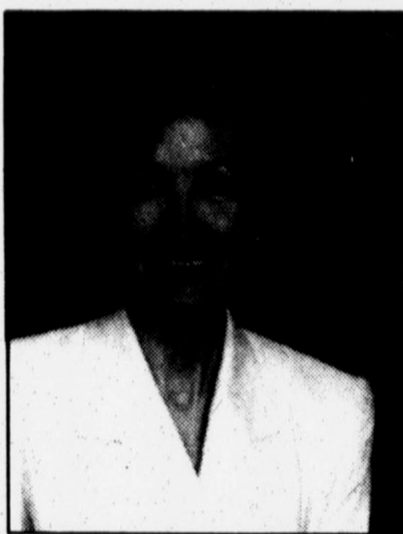
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Unsure how to write a Classified Ad that will get results? Follow these pointers and you'll soon have an empty space in your storage room and cash in your pocket.
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 • Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition.
 • Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.
 • Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to include a phone number and the best times to reach you.

INSIDE

Hutchison 2000?

Texas senator pondering bid for White House



Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

AUSTIN (AP) — The Clinton administration hasn't taken a hard enough line with Iraq over the inspection of suspected weapons sites, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison charged Monday.

Government Annual Professional Development Conference. "I think if he refuses to let us see a site that the inspectors believe is being used to make weapons, that we should then evacuate, give notice and take that site out," said the senator, who has been a long-time critic of the administration's foreign policy in Iraq, Bosnia and elsewhere.

is a former member of the Senate Armed Services Committee. Defense Secretary William Cohen earlier Monday said the United States has enough force in the Persian Gulf if it's judged to be needed in the latest disagreement with Iraq concerning documents on chemical and biological weapons.

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Wilborn Bros. bid and opted for removal of the underground tanks and installation of above-ground tanks.

Hammock was directed to supervise the project, which must be completed by Dec. 22.

The commissioners also approved the hiring of Michael Lloyd as new Deaf Smith County extension agent/agriculture.

Dennis Newton, who is director of the county extension service, introduced Lloyd to the commissioners.

The new agent earned his master's degree in agricultural education and a bachelor's degree in range/wildlife management from Texas Tech University.

A native of Canadian, Lloyd has been working as a vocational agriculture instructor at West End Public Schools in Nucla, Colo.

In other business, the commissioners:

• Canvassed the results of the recount of ballots in the Precinct 4 commissioners race. In the Nov. 3 general election, incumbent Johnny Latham defeated challenger Jerry O'Connor, 377-371. In the recount, Latham gained four votes, while O'Connor gained one vote.

• Approved a resolution supporting a grant application to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and Juvenile Probation office to provide access to at-risk youth to state parks and wildlife management areas.

• Agreed to advertise for bids on county health insurance. The bid specifications must be drawn up in such a manner to give a variety of options, including deductible, co-payment and co-insurance, for commissioners to consider.

• Approved an interlocal agreement for conducting hearings and proceedings for court-ordered mental health services with Castro County.

• Approved Maria Cabrera's request to cross a county road in the San Jose community to connect with sewer and water lines. The commissioners also approved Joe Carter's request to cross County Road 21 with an electrical line.

Vega farm equipment firm to close, combine with Hereford store

By Speedy Nieman

Hereford Brand Publisher Emeritus

VEGA -- Vega Equipment & Supply will close this month and the store will be combined with Oglesby Equipment in Hereford, it was announced this week by owner Cecil Oglesby.

"Bill Craig will continue to work in the area in sales, and we fully expect to continue with our service," said Oglesby.

The Vega location was opened in 1976 when Oglesby purchased Roark Implement.

"CPR is the culprit," Oglesby said. "Our business was cut in half when the Conservation Reserve Program went into effect."

He added that Deaf Smith County has more diverse agricultural operations. "Thirty miles makes a difference, but farm operations are changing everywhere."

As an example, he pointed to the closure of the Holly Sugar beet-processing plant in Hereford and a return by many farmers to raising cotton, a less-water intensive crop.

Oglesby said the decision to combine the stores was very difficult because his roots go deep in the Deaf Smith-Oldham area. He grew up in Deaf Smith County and graduated from the Wildorado School in 1938.

He worked for International Harvester after discharge from the armed forces in 1945. In 1951, he opened an International Harvester dealership in Dimmitt. He moved it to Hereford 10 years later. A Dumas store was opened in 1974.

Oglesby and his wife, Ella, have three children, Becky of Amarillo, Ray of Dumas, and Larry of Hereford.

Wall Street's rebound boosts world

LONDON (AP) — Wall Street's resurrection galvanized Asian markets today, but Europe reacted coolly and stock gains were modest as dealers waited for the Dow Jones industrial average to consolidate recent gains.

In London, shares fell in thin trading. At mid-morning, the Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100 index of blue-chip stocks was trading at 5,797.9 points, down 50.5 points, or 0.9 percent.

"The market's had such a strong run, we may be in for a more reflective period," said Bob Semple, an equity strategist at BT Alex Brown.

The London market "isn't going to collapse unless we get something very grim, but at the same time, it's not looking at all-time highs as the Dow is," Semple said.

German financial shares rose as the Deutsche Bank AG said it was discussing the final details of a \$9 billion deal to take over Bankers Trust Corp., and Internet shares led the technology group higher as America Online Inc. said it might buy Netscape Communications Corp. in a \$4 billion deal.

That deal also helped boost French shares and, at midday, the CAC Index of 40 leading stocks was up 18 points, at 3,863.81.

Asia's top three stock markets rose sharply today after the Dow Jones industrial average surged to a new high in New York a day earlier, capping a nearly 2,000-point rebound from last summer's plunge.

In Tokyo, the Nikkei soared 384.70 points, or 2.6 percent,

to 15,164.64 today. It was the first time the index had finished above the psychologically significant 15,000-point level since Aug. 25.

In Hong Kong, the blue-chip Hang Seng Index rallied to a nearly seven-month high. It closed at 10,851.71, up 337.18 points, or 3.2 percent, following a 2.7 percent gain Monday.

In Singapore, the benchmark Straits Times Index broke through the important 1,400-point plateau, rising 35.96 points, or 2.6 percent, to 1,412.90. Earlier in the day, it had risen even higher to 1,421.56.

Extending a nearly non-stop rally that began less than two months ago, the Dow average rose 214.72 points to 9,374.27, topping the July 17 record of 9,337.97.

The return to record terrain followed four months of volatility that took the Dow as low as 7,400 on Sept. 1, and to 7,467 on Oct. 8, the day the market's recovery began.

Before the comeback started, it had seemed that Asia's financial turmoil and its spread around the world would send Wall Street to its first losing year since 1990. Now, several major indexes are poised to extend an unprecedented streak of three straight years with gains of 20 percent or more.

Across Asia, stock markets have been enjoying significant recoveries from the striking lows they had reached since the region's financial crisis struck about 17 months ago.

Since falling to a five-year low of 6,660.42 on Aug. 13, Hong Kong's benchmark Hang Seng alone has gained 58 percent.

Some analysts warned that volatility and profit-taking remain significant risks.

That was illustrated today in Madrid, where Spanish shares fell back after sharp rises as dealers took profits.

Though overall economic growth was strong in the third quarter, coming after an anemic advance at a 1.8 percent rate in the second quarter, it contained the seeds of the slowdown that economists expect for 1999.

Corporate profits fall

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. economic growth rebounded strongly over the summer, despite overseas financial turmoil, but profits at the nation's corporations fell sharply.

The gross domestic product surged at a robust 3.9 percent seasonally adjusted annual rate in the July-September quarter, the Commerce Department said today.

That was even better than the 3.3 percent originally estimated by the department. The deterioration in the nation's trade deficit was not as severe as first measured. Also, consumers purchased more trucks and used cars than originally counted.

In its first look at third-quarter profits, the department

said after-tax earnings fell 1.8 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$473.2 billion.

It was the third quarterly decline over the past year. Profits are down 6.2 percent from the same quarter a year ago, the worst drop over a year since 1989.

The report raises questions about the sustainability of the stock market rally, which on Monday pushed the Dow Jones average of industrial stocks to a new high: 9,374.

A wave of mergers has powered the latest rally, but many manufacturing companies are facing a profit squeeze. They must pay higher wages because skilled workers are scarce but can't raise prices in the face of competition from Asian nations trying to export their way out of their economic slump.

Though overall economic growth was strong in the third quarter, coming after an anemic advance at a 1.8 percent rate in the second quarter, it contained the seeds of the slowdown that economists expect for 1999.

Consumer spending, which accounts for roughly two-thirds of economic activity, increased at a 4.1 percent annual rate. Purchases of big-ticket durable goods rose at a moderate 2.4 percent rate, even with the General Motors strikes.

A pileup of unsold goods in inventory accounted for nearly a fourth of overall growth. And business investment in new equipment fell 1.1 percent after a run of stellar growth. It was the sector's first decline in nearly seven years.

Auction

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Golden Line Dancers. Sponsored by BJM Sales and Service, Inc.

12. "Spirit of Christmas," Frank Bezner, \$600. Donated to St. Anthony's Catholic School. Decorated by Young at Heart Choir. Sponsored by Winget Pump, Inc.

13. Christmas wall-hanging, Hereford State Bank, \$300.

14. "Razzle Dazzle USA," Shirley Garrison, \$500. Donated to Tierra Blanca Primary School. Decorated by Tierra Blanca Primary School. Sponsored by Western Ford-Lincoln-Mercury, Hereford and Western Chevrolet-Oldsmobile, Inc., Friona.

15. "Christmas Dream," Cecil and Ella Oglesby, \$250. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by Oglesby Equipment Co., Inc.

16. "The Nut Cracker Dream," Bobby and Bettye Owen, \$450. Donated to Hereford Regional Medical Center in memory of Jewell Hargrave. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by Owl Feedyard.

16A. "Golden Guardian Angel Tree," First United Bank of Dimmitt, Ray Bain, \$550. Decorated and sponsored by Hereford Care Center.

16B. 48-inch lighted wreath, Barbara Townsend, \$475. Decorated by Sharon Bodner.

17. "Quest for Fifty Golden Years," Shirley Garrison, \$700. Donated to Shirley Intermediate School. Decorated by Shirley Intermediate School. Sponsored by Southwest Feedyards.

18. "Sportsman Paradise," First United Bank of Dimmitt, \$825. Decorated by Edna Schulte. Sponsored by Hereford Grain Corp.

19. "Coca-Cola Christmas," Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center, \$475. Donated to Bluebonnet School. Decorated by Bluebonnet School. Sponsored by Tri-State Cattle Feeders.

20. "Christmas with God's Children," Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center, \$675. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by Tejon Ranch Feedlot Inc. dba Champion Feeders.

21. Dutch boy and girl porcelain dolls, Marie Griffin, \$425.

22. "Dolls to Adore," Shirley Garrison, \$600. Decorated by Senior Citizens Doll Class. Sponsored by Hereford Janitor Supply Inc. and Wishes.

23. Handcrafted mail box by Virgil Maxwell, Betty Olson, \$225.

24. Indian doll in porcelain by Jolene Bledsoe, Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center, \$250.

25. "Halos of Love," Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center,

\$1,950. Donated to Hereford Day Care in memory of Brooke Harrison. Decorated by King's Manor Methodist Home. Sponsored by Dawn Custom Cattle Feeders Inc.

26. "Heavenly Orchestra," Bo Bradley, \$1,150. Donated to King's Manor. Decorated by Band of Angels. Sponsored by B & R Thriftway #59 and #53.

27A. Tom Ryan print "Noon Break" with handcrafted rustic frame donated by Eldon Fortenberry, First United Bank of Dimmitt, \$300.

27B. Tom Ryan print "Sharing an Apple" with handcrafted rustic frame donated by Eldon Fortenberry, Loretta Urbanczyk, \$150.

27C. Tom Ryan print "60 Years in the Saddle" with handcrafted rustic frame donated by Eldon Fortenberry, H & R Manufacturing Co., \$275. Donated to Hereford Senior Citizens Center.

27D. Tom Ryan print "Split Decision" with handcrafted rustic frame donated by Eldon Fortenberry, Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center, \$300.

28. "The Woodlands," Hereford State Bank, \$675. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by T & G Service Co. Inc.

29. "Centennial Salute," Johnny Trotter, \$1,800. Decorated by Walcott School. Sponsored by Wall and Sons Drilling Inc. and Plains Pump and Supply Inc.

30. "Christmas Traditions," Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center, \$6,000. Donated to a special family. Decorated by Sharon Bodner and Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by Keeling Cattle Feeders Inc.

31. "Silent Night," Garrison and Townsend Inc., \$5,600. Donated to First United Methodist Church in memory of Dee Ann Trotter. Decorated by Sharon Bodner and Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by Bar-G Feedyard.

32. Landscape painted by Mary Helen Askew, Shirley Garrison, \$300.

33. "Noah's Challenge," won by Norma Thurston from sale of 10 tickets at \$100 each. Donated for resale. Purchased by Cattletown Inc., \$1,600. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens. Sponsored by Gilliland Insurance Assos., Inc. and Plains Insurance Agency.

34. Marcum Motor Co. donated \$500 to Auction.

35. Parkside Chapel donated \$500 to Auction.

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HISD receives grants to help out students

Special to The Brand

Students in the Hereford Independent School District will benefit from more than \$17,000 in grants awarded recently to the district. The grant funds include vouchers to help disadvantaged students overcome visual problems.

John Farr, executive director of the Amarillo branch of the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, presented the district with vouchers valued at \$10,000. The vouchers may be used for eye examinations, frames and lenses for students who cannot afford the service.

Steve Nash, who directs grant writing for the district, said the vouchers will be handled through the nurse's office on each HISD campus.

Two local doctors will handle the eye examinations and prescriptions once the student has completed the screening process by contacting the school nurse.

Other grants received by HISD include:

- \$3,500 for the School Careers program;
- \$3,200 for the Tech Prep program; and
- \$500 mini-grant from the Amarillo Area Foundation.

"The School to Careers grant will fund implementation of an effective career and guidance program throughout the school district," Nash said. The grant is from the state's Tech Prep Program and has funded the purchase of a series of videos to be used in the automotive technology courses at Hereford High School.

The tapes will be included in the curriculum in the courses taught by Monty Smith and which have an articulation agreement with Amarillo College and San Juan Community College in Farmington, N.M.

"These will enhance the studies and give more knowledge to the students on the latest in automotive technology," Nash said.

Additional Tech Prep money may be available with additional grant applications, which have been completed for the spring semester.

THE HEREFORD BRAND

Letters

Dear Editor:

It's not often that I respond publicly to criticism of the agency I work for, the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (PRS). As regional director for 41 counties in the Panhandle/South Plains area, I oversee staff who work in child protective services, adult protective services, child care licensing and prevention programs. The mission of our agency is "to protect the unprotected - children, elderly and people with disabilities - from abuse, neglect and exploitation." Naturally, there is not always agreement at the community level on what constitutes "protection" and what abuse, neglect and exploitation consist of. So, we routinely expect to receive calls and letters with complaints and concerns about our agency, and I personally consider responding to these concerns as an important part of our jobs.

That is why I feel compelled to respond to the Nov. 1 column "The Real World" by Dianna F. Dandridge. Ms. Dandridge's article, "Checks and balances are what makes our system work," refers to the Child Protective Services system (CPS) as a "renegade agency" without such checks and balances. I must dispute this premise.

First, let me say that no investigation of child abuse or neglect is entered into lightly. If a caseworker believes the risk to a child is quite high, CPS may request that a child be removed from a home. This is a serious action with major consequences, so there are always two levels of approval required within the agency before this occurs. The law also requires that CPS present information to the court within 24 hours after an emergency removal to justify its actions. District and county attorneys are involved in this process, along with judges and attorneys for the children. Parents are permitted to attend these court hearings and bring counsel if they choose. If a child remains in foster care, there are numerous legal reviews required under both federal and state law.

In fact, the majority of complaints we receive from the community involve the perception that the CPS is not taking enough steps to protect children. In Fiscal 1997, CPS investigated 116 reports of abuse and neglect in Deaf Smith County and found enough evidence to support abuse/neglect in only 25 cases. During that same year, 41 children from the county were in foster care. With an approximate child population of 6,729 you can see that the percentage of families involved with CPS is quite small. When CPS investigates, we only verify abuse or neglect if it falls within the definition set by the Texas Family Law Code. I am not familiar with any situations where a child with a "racing stripe across their rump" or a child who tells an investigator that their parent yelled at them resulted in separating that child from the family.

Ms. Dandridge also speaks of children in foster care who find the foster home more desirable than their own. In many years with the agency, it has been my experience that most children want desperately to return to their own homes, even if they face horrific abuse and neglect. The feeling of "belonging" to a family is powerful for children and is something we keep in mind when making critical decisions about returning children to their own homes after we believe parents have made their homes safe. I would find a child wanting to stay in foster care quite unusual and perhaps indicative of other problems in the family.

The agency that governs CPS, Protective and Regulatory Services, has its own checks and balances. PRS has an appointed board which reports to the Governor's Office and receives state funding and thus is accountable to the state legislature. Locally, almost every county in Texas has a Child Welfare Board appointed by the county commissioners to work alongside our agency in providing for children's needs and serving as a liaison to the community. Deaf Smith County has a very active and involved Child Welfare Board.

Additionally, the 74th Legislature authorized PRS to establish Citizen Review Teams to review CPS investigations. Currently, our Region has two such teams and a third is being formed. These volunteer citizens read actual investigations and provide criticism and feedback on actions taken by staff during a child abuse/neglect investigation.

As a public agency, we must have checks and balances, and I strongly believe that we do. Decisions about children's safety are critical and cannot be made without careful consideration of all factors. We have a strong cadre of hard-working CPS staff who care passionately about children and families and we constantly seek ways of improving our services. I hope that most citizens will join us in this effort.

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Putting up lights -- City of Hereford workers string lights around one of the trees in Mother's Park in preparation for the city's Christmas lighting Monday night. Community fellowship, holiday spirit and an appearance from Santa Claus will combine in one meeting at 7 p.m. Monday as the City of Hereford hosts the 3rd Annual Christmas-in-the-Park celebration of lights. The popular event, set in the heart of the downtown area at Mother's Park on the corner of Main Street and Park Avenue, marks the beginning of a bright and dazzling holiday light display in the park. Also, the Hereford Pilot Club will serve hot chocolate during the event.

Gasoline prices continue to decline

CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — The nation's gasoline prices have dropped more than a penny per gallon during the past two weeks, an industry analyst says.

The average price of gas, including all grades and taxes, was \$1.073 per gallon on Friday, down 1.28 cents from Nov. 6, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10,000 stations nationwide released Sunday.

Economic problems elsewhere, especially in Asia, has created a glut of oil and led to low prices, said Trilby Lundberg, publisher of the survey.

Pump prices have been dropping for a year. Friday's average was nearly 18 cents lower than Thanksgiving 1997 prices, Ms. Lundberg said.

The latest survey showed the average price of gas at self-service pumps, including taxes, was \$1.014 per gallon for regular grade, \$1.122 for mid-grade and \$1.206 for premium. Of the 67 cities surveyed regularly, pumps in 36 were selling self-serve regular for less than a dollar.

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