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Family needs aid with bills

A 50-year old woman suffering from an enlarged heart and in need of a heart transplant, is hopeful that the Christmas Stocking Fund will help to make the holiday a bit more pleasant for her, her 17-year old son and 15-year old daughter.

Behind on her electric and water bills, this mother is asking for help with utility payments.

For nearly two decades, Hereford's holiday charity, the Christmas Stocking Fund has helped to address such needs thanks to the caring and sharing of residents of Hereford and Deaf Smith County. All applications for assis-

1998 Christmas Stocking Fund



tance are thoroughly screened by an anonymous committee of volunteers who administer the CSF program, striving to make sure that donated funds are used to the best benefit of the community's less fortunate.

This holiday season, you can help to make Christmas a little brighter for someone in need through your gift to CSF.

Donations may be left at *The Hereford Brand*, 313 N. Lee, or mailed to CSF in care of Box 673, Hereford 79045.



BRAND/Mauri Montgomery

Drug chase - A Hereford man, suspected of drug trafficking, was apprehended Friday morning following a chase which led local law enforcement agencies through south Hereford residential areas and through John Pitman Municipal Golf Course. The suspect, whose name had not been released, threw evidence from the late-model Chevrolet pickup he was driving throughout the chase, according to pursuing officers. Hereford police seized some evidence from the truck and planned a further search of the man's residence in the continuing investigation.

Legislators introduce plan to deregulate electric utility market

AUSTIN (AP) - Lawmakers would revisit deregulating the state's electric utility market under a bill introduced Thursday.

Rep. Steve Wolens, D-Dallas, said he wants to bring competition to Texas electric customers by 2002, allowing them to choose who provides their electricity the same way they choose their long distance carrier.

"Competition in this critical household commodity should force electric rates down," Wolens said. The bill will be considered when lawmakers meet in January.

Wolens said a recent national study illustrated the need for deregulation. The average annual electric bill in Texas is \$1,063, significantly more than in California, \$729, and the nationwide average of \$859, he said.

"While our electric rates in Texas are below average, our electric bills are the third highest in the nation," Wolens said.

Supporters of electric utility deregulation also say it would bring lower prices, less pollution and more reliable service.

Lawmakers grappled with a deregulation bill, which Gov. George W. Bush supported, in 1997, but it died during the last weeks of the session.

"The reason I filed it so early was so we could have plenty of time to study it," said Wolens, chair of the House State Affairs Committee. He said the deregulation bills considered in 1997 were filed late.

Wolens added that his bill represents a consensus on many issues legislators have already debated. "I find this one to be more balanced," he said.

One of the most contentious issues in the electric deregulation fight has been over "stranded costs."

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Texas Constitution rewrite would mean longer terms, but also imposes limits

AUSTIN (AP) - State lawmakers would get longer terms but be subject to term limits under a new Texas Constitution proposed by two lawmakers.

The proposal would also grant new powers to the governor, allowing him to appoint many officials who are now elected.

Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mt. Pleasant, and Rep. Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, planned to unveil their proposal today.

Under their plan, the governor would appoint the land

commissioner, agriculture commissioner, railroad commissioner, education board members and all district and appellate court judges.

"Other than personal persuasion, arm-twisting and the bully pulpit, the governor doesn't have the power to do anything right now," Ratliff said.

Under the proposal, the terms of state senators would go from four years to six - the longest in the nation - and House terms would be doubled, from two to four

years. Only Alabama, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi and North Dakota have four-year House terms, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported.

The proposal also calls for lawmakers, for the first time in Texas, to be subject to term limits. Senators could serve as long as it took to complete nine regular legislative sessions, 18 years in most cases. House members could participate in eight regular sessions, generally 16 years.

Ratliff said Thursday that the goal is to let lawmakers

spend more time doing their jobs and less time campaigning.

To pass, the proposed new Constitution must be approved by two-thirds of the House and Senate, then win approval from voters.

Charles Elliott, a political scientist at Texas A&M University at Commerce, said the Ratliff-Junell plan has a chance if Gov. George W. Bush, Lt. Gov.-elect Rick Perry and state officials support it.

Ratliff and Junell chair their financial committees.

Lighting contest entries available

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Women's Division will sponsor the annual Christmas Lighting Contest for homes and businesses.

Nominations will be accepted for any home or business in Hereford.

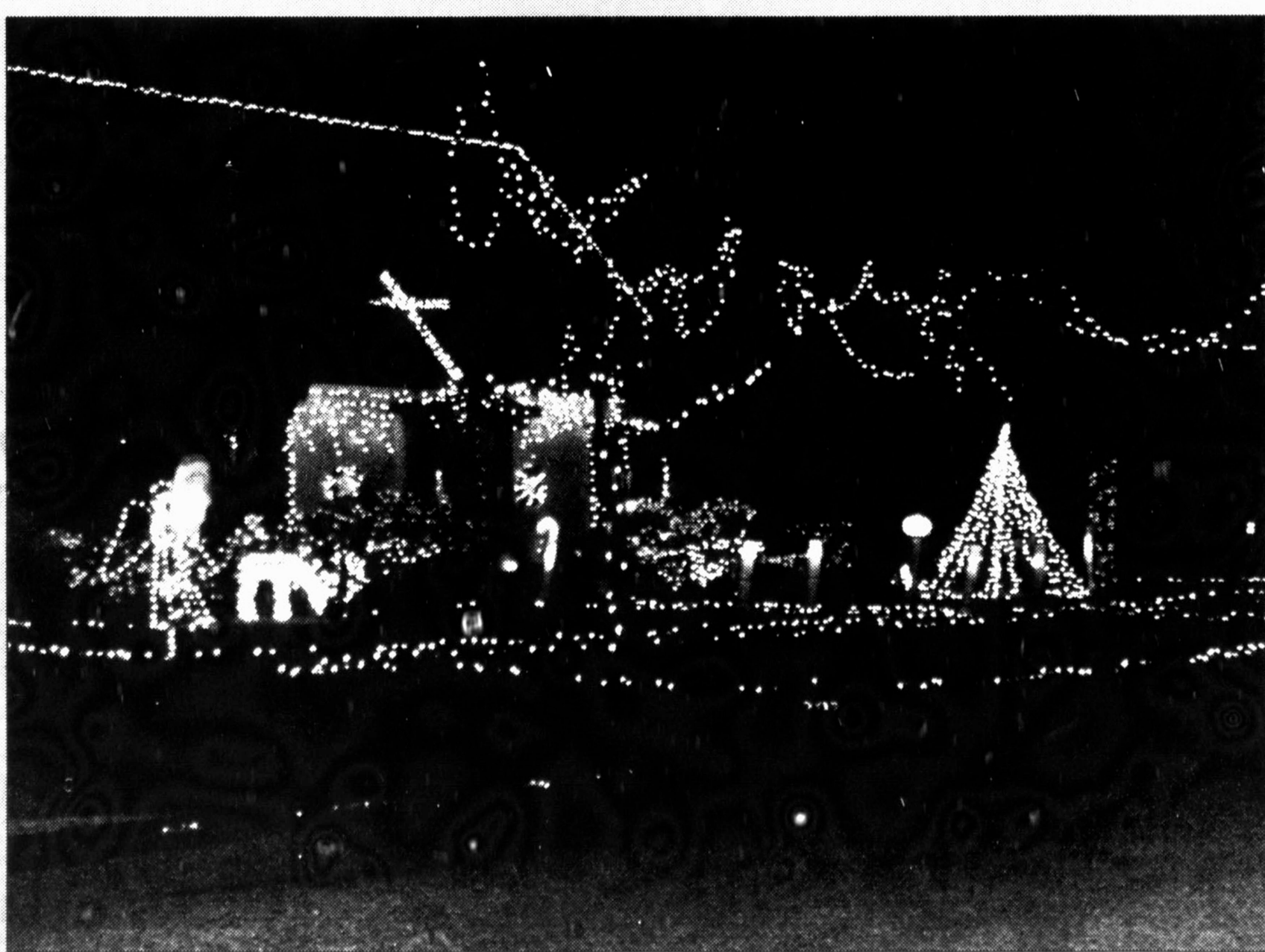
Entry forms are available at the chamber of commerce office. Completed entries must be returned to that office by 5 p.m. Dec. 11.

Categories are: residential, total home, or residential windows and doors; and total business, or business windows and doors.

Previous winners are eligible to enter again, but must compete in a category different from the one entered this past year.

Judging will be Dec. 14-15 and 1998 contest winners will be announced in the Sunday, Dec. 20 edition of *The Hereford Brand*.

Hereford Bucks will be awarded to contest winners.



This house in the 600 block of Lee Street is ablaze with Christmas decorations

BRAND/Dan Cooper

How do you spell C-L-O-S-E?

FAIRFAX, Vt. (AP) - Milton Bradley Wood Products Co. has churned out 1 million Scrabble tiles a day in this small Vermont town for 20 years.

But Hasbro Inc., Milton Bradley's parent company, is closing the plant today. The reason is a 10-point word business.

Hasbro spokesman Mark Morris says the company began looking at the most efficient way to make each product and decided to get out of the business of producing the tiles.

The game will still be made; the tiles will still be wooden; players will still be able to call Hasbro's consumer service line when they lose a letter.

But the closing nevertheless strikes a nostalgic chord, especially for the 87 people who are losing their jobs after doing their part to put those rectangular letters in one of every three American homes.

"Sometimes it was hard to believe that we still had to make them," says Harold Wright Jr., who worked at the factory for 8 1/2 years. "But the order just kept getting bigger every year."

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Local roundup

Key Club fundraiser

The Hereford High School Key Club is sponsoring a parent's day out 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at the HISD Administration building, 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue.

Children ages 4-10 are invited to participate in crafts, games, caroling and a vista from Santa for only \$5.

A portion of the proceed will be donated to the Iodine Deficiency Disorder.

For more information contact Paige Parks or Shelby Counts at 363-7620.

Mighty Maroon Band booster club meeting

The executive board of Hereford Band Boosters will meet for a brief business session 7 p.m. Tuesday, in the High School band hall.

The agenda includes reports on various fundraising proposals, picture buttons, bylaws, finances, the Winter Ball and the upcoming concert season.

The board will also discuss plans for a general membership meeting.

For more information contact Kerrie Steirt, president Hereford Band Boosters at 364-1855.

Boll weevil eradication hearing

The Texas Department of Agriculture will host a public hearing 1 p.m. Dec. 14, 1998, in Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe, on a proposed assessment rate for the Northwest Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone referendum.

Farmers and landowners are welcome to comment on proposal during this time.

TDA will use comments to establish a maximum assessment to be voted on by cotton producers in a referendum set for March 12. At that time, cotton producers will also determine whether or not to establish a boll weevil eradication program for the zone.

Christmas Choir Concert

The HISD Choirs will present a Christmas concert 3 p.m. Sunday at the High School Auditorium.

The concert will include Sixth Grade Honors Choir, Seventh and Eighth Grade Girls Choir, Junior High Boys Choir, Hereford High School Singers, High School Varsity Choir, and the Texas Plains Chorale.

The concert will consist of songs of the season and the finale will be a mass number with all choirs.

Directors are Margaret Williams and Jane Gulley.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Recycling Saturday

The regular first Saturday recycling day has been postponed until Dec. 12, from 9-11 a.m. in the St. Anthony's school parking lot, 115 W. 25 Mile Avenue. Everyone who contributes aluminum to be recycled will have their name entered into a drawing for a turkey. The drawing will be held 11 a.m. immediately following the recycling collection.

Increasing cloudiness

Tonight, increasing high clouds with a low around 40, south wind 10-15 mph.

Saturday, a southwest wind 20-30 mph with higher gusts, partly sunny with a high 60 to 65.

Extended forecast

Sunday, mostly cloudy and colder with a slight chance of showers, low in the mid-30s with a high in the mid-40s.

Monday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain or snow showers, low around 30, high around 40.

Tuesday, mostly clear, low in the upper 20s, high in the lower 40s.

Thursday recap

High, 50; low, 39; no precipitation.

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HHS News

Hereford High School students and staff invite all parents, and others to the first Christmas Open House.

Come meet teachers, principals, counselors and support staff. The school will be decorated for Christmas, and Christmas treats will be served.

Door prizes have been donated by local businesses and will be given to lucky participants.

Herd Time Classes are participating in Christmas door decorating contest. Winners will be announced Wednesday and award winners will be posted on the doors.

A style show will be held in the auditorium 7-8 p.m. The HHS models will be modeling the latest fashions from local businesses.

The style show is by donation. Any donation will go to the HHS models as they are a new organization at the High School.

- Sunday, Dec. 6
Christmas Choral concert in the auditorium at 3 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 10
Christmas open house and style show.
- Koobraey voting.
- ASVAB Interpretation
- Friday, Dec. 11
Koobraey voting.

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New in brief

ELSEWHERE

HOUSTON — A drug dealer who shot and paralyzed an undercover police officer was sentenced Thursday to 24 years in prison. Robert Demond Lavern shot officer Vonda Higgins in the neck and upper body during a botched drug raid in February. ...DALLAS — An Anderson County constable was convicted Thursday of sexually assaulting a runaway teenage girl in a motel room. Andre Leon Ingram had already been suspended after conviction on a similar charge in June.

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Gas prices hurts university endowment

AUSTIN (AP) — As prices have fallen at the gas pump, so has revenue for a Texas university endowment that earns money from selling oil and gas leases.

Endowment income from the leases is down about 35

percent this year, Dan Burck, executive vice chancellor for business affairs at the University of Texas System, told the Austin American Statesman in a story published today.

However, he believes an overall strong stock market this year will compensate for the loss in oil and gas revenues.

Construction projects and educational programs at the UT and Texas A&M University systems are the beneficiaries of the \$7.2 billion Permanent University Fund, which is made up of 2.1 million acres of oil and gas lands in 19 West Texas counties.

Historically, most money in the fund has come from oil and gas revenues and was invested in stocks and bonds. Today, oil and gas income is about \$3 billion of the overall fund, Burck said.

The most recent lease sale attracted few buyers and low bids.

A semi-annual lease sale Nov. 18 raised \$577,821 compared with \$7.75 million a year ago. Only 31 oil and gas leases were sold covering 8,948 acres compared with 93 leases on 30,690 acres a year ago. The average winning bid per acre this time was \$64.58 compared with \$252.56 a year ear-

lier. "What's happened is people are simply not prepared to spend money leasing land for oil and gas exploration when the price of oil is so low," said Pan Bacon, a UT System attorney and secretary to the Board for Lease of University Lands. "The companies simply can't afford to spend more and make a profit."

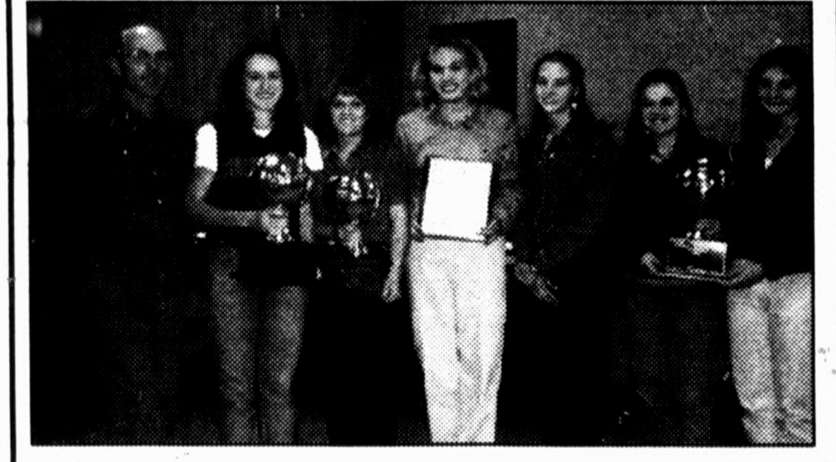
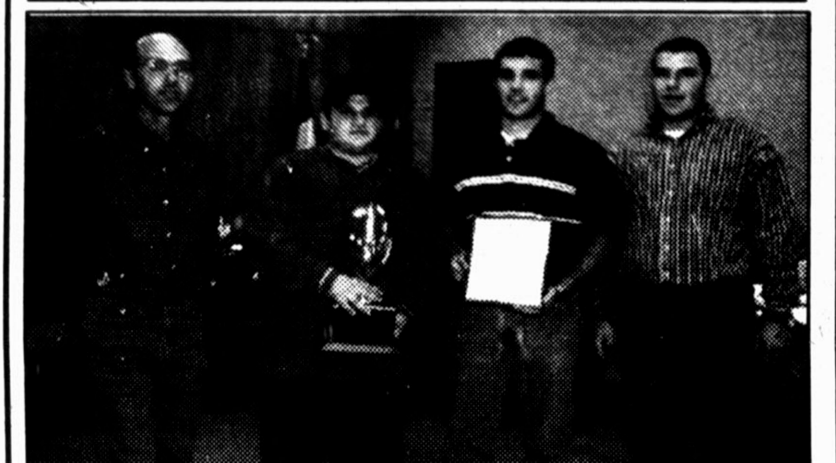
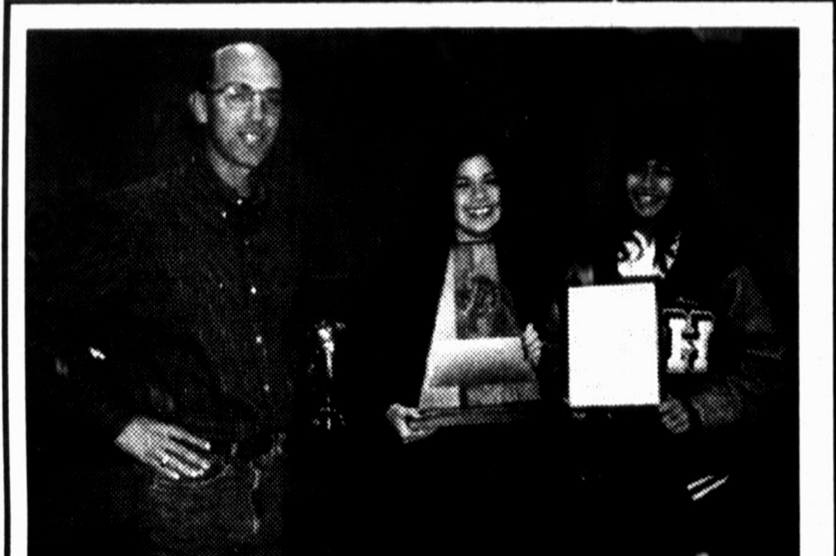
But several million dollars won't break a fund that's in the billions, she said.

UT officials have been trying to drum up interest in the oil and gas leases by cutting the minimum lease price and reducing royalty payments if operators meet certain conditions, Burck said.

One bright spot is the Board for Lease managed to stimulate interest in unexplored territory in West Texas, he said. It sold leases on frontier land in Hudspeth County for the first time in July. In all, 414 oil leases were awarded, bringing \$2 million into the university fund.

"We really had sales that were 10 times better than we thought they would be," Burck said. "But now we've kind of hit the wall."

The price of oil is down to about \$11 a barre', its lowest level in a dozen years.



Students recognized -- Hereford Independent School Board members recently honored the Hereford band, the cross country teams, the football team and the girls' volleyball team for their outstanding performance this season. Team representatives claimed their respective trophies and proclamations from the board addressing their achievements. School board president Dave Charest presented the proclamations. Accepting for the band were Anna Delgado and Audrey Cabezuela. Girls' cross country representatives were Meredith McGowan, Anna Delgado, Amy Crox, and Audrey Cabezuela. Football team members, Abram Hill, Cory Marsh, and Truett Schlabs represented their sport. The girls volleyball team was represented by Christy Schumacher, Sarah Matthews, Lindi Carlile, Sloane Merrick, Sonya Matthews, and Misty Tice. No one was available to represent the boys' cross country team.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency personnel for Dec. 3, 1998, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

- A 19-year-old man was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated.

- A 14-year-old boy who had been drinking started fighting with family members who called the police. The boy tried to fight with officers, but was subdued without harm to him or the officer. The boy's probation officer directed officers to transport the boy to the Deaf Smith County Youth Home.

- A 45-year-old man was caught shoplifting at a store in the 500 block of North 25 Mile Avenue. When confronted by police the suspect tried to flee, but was later located. He was charged with class B theft, and outstanding Department of Public Safety warrants for speeding and violation to appear.

Incidents

- A criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of Grand.

- Some kids were reported to be brandishing a gun at the intersection of Miles and Park Avenue.

- A store in the 500 block of North 25 Mile reported the theft of \$200.

- A burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 200 block of Hickory.

- A burglary of a business was reported in the 800 block of Park Avenue.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 5:13 p.m. Firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the alley between Star and Avenue K in the 300 block.

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Texas lottery

Cash Five
The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery:
10-13-20-30-39

Pick 3
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
3-0-0

Bush reviews retired teacher health-care

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush pledged Thursday to work with the Legislature to make sure Texas' program to pay health-care costs for more than 100,000 retired public school employees doesn't go bankrupt.

Bush said he would "work basically with the Legislature to make sure that nobody, nobody who is retired" will go without health care.

The governor was responding to a legislative committee report that predicted the Teachers Retirement System-Care program will require a major bailout to remain afloat. Insolvency will hit in September 2000 if nothing is done, the report said.

"The state could pay the initial deficit of \$64-plus million, but this would only be a temporary solution," the report says. "Due to the increasing number of retirees, the system is projected to need more than \$2 billion to be solvent by fiscal year 2008."

Bush, back from a trip overseas, said the state would not break its promise to retired teachers.

"I am confident that we can come up with a solution," he said.

TRS-Care was created by lawmakers in 1985 to plug a gap in health-care coverage for retired public school employees, most of whom are not covered by Medicare.

Of Texas' 1,043 school districts, only about 20 contribute to Social Security for employees. Without those contributions, retirees are not eligible for Medicare coverage.

The funding crisis may require drastic action.

"For the retired teachers out there, we have no choice. We have to address it," said House Public Education Chairman Paul Sadler, co-chair of the special panel.

"I was floored," said Sadler,

D-Henderson. "I had no idea the teachers were not eligible for Social Security."

The report says just about every option should be on the table.

"Ultimately, the policy issue facing the state is to offer catastrophic care only or build an affordable system of health care with the current systems provided," the committee concluded.

But James Simms, chairman of the Teachers Retirement System board that oversees TRS-Care, said the crisis is no surprise.

"We knew that claims would outstrip the money over a period of time," he said. "Legislators began inquiring about it two years ago, but it was not a high priority because it had some years remaining before the funds were expended."

The system now serves 101,853 retirees and 17,252 dependents. The number of participants has tripled since the program was created. Claims also rose, from \$62 million in the first full year to \$211 million in 1997.

Under the current funding setup, the state contributes a half-percent of the statewide school district payroll. Full-time employees contribute a quarter percent of their salaries.

Retirees pay premiums based on the type of coverage they choose, ranging from a low-end payment for catastrophic coverage to a comprehensive plan.

According to the report, it would cost school districts almost \$2 billion a year to put all employees into the Social Security system.

Annette Cootes, spokeswoman for the Texas State Teachers Association, called TRS-Care "absolutely critical." "For many of them, you are talking life and death," she said.

Asthmatics warned of Singulair complications

WASHINGTON (AP) — Asthma patients who take the drug Singulair should be watched carefully by their doctors for signs of a rare but serious complication called Churg-Strauss syndrome, drug-maker Merck & Co. advises.

Churg-Strauss syndrome is a tissue disorder that sometimes strikes adult asthma patients and, if untreated, can destroy organs.

Merck said Thursday it has received fewer than 20 reports of Singulair patients developing symptoms of Churg-Strauss, out of 600,000 people worldwide who have tried the drug.

Merck has written 165,000 doctors and pharmacists to

alert them to signs of the condition, including flu-like symptoms, rash, tingling or numbness of the arms and legs, or severe sinusitis. Some asthmatics experience worsening lung symptoms as pulmonary blood vessels become inflamed.

Merck also revised the drug's labeling to include the caution and to tell patients to alert their doctors to such symptoms.

There is no proof Singulair was to blame, Merck said. But many of the patients had been weaning themselves from other asthma medications called corticosteroids, which is a risk factor for the condition.

A competing asthma drug, Accolate, also warns about the rare complication.

SPORTS

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Herd girls slam Socorro, 52-35

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO - Hereford got 13 points from Tori Walker Thursday night, beating El Paso Socorro 52-35 in the opening round of the Concho River Classic at San Angelo Central High School.

Junior Toni Eicke added nine points for the Lady Whitefaces and senior Makesha Rives scored eight points.

Hereford struggled in

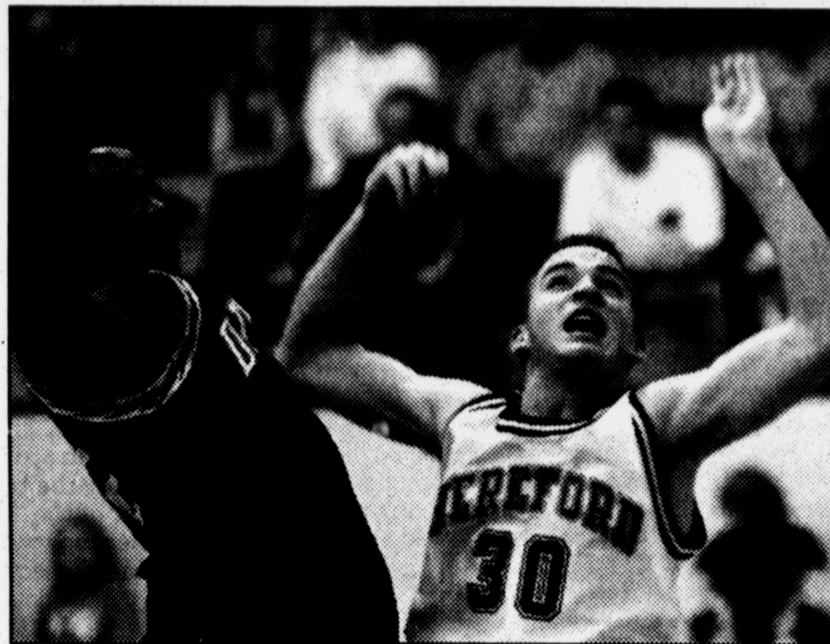
the first two quarters leading only 12-10 at the end of the first period and taking a 26-22 lead at halftime.

"The first half we didn't play well defensively," Hereford coach Key Harrison said. "In the third and fourth quarters, we turned up the defense. Defensive pressure got us a 15-point lead."

The Lady Whitefaces

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Slade Hodges (30), shown with Dimmitt's Jerry Thomas, scored 23 points Thursday night to lead Hereford to a 67-55 win over Lubbock Estacado. The Whitefaces will meet Lubbock in the second round of the Plainview tournament at 7 p.m. tonight.



Brand File Photo

Whitefaces tip Estacado

From staff reports

PLAINVIEW - Hereford got 23 points from sophomore Slade Hodges and downed Lubbock Estacado 67-55 Thursday night in the first round of the Plainview tournament.

Bryan Matthews added eight points for Hereford and Cody Hodges scored seven points for the Whitefaces (3-3).

"Slade got out and ran the floor real well," Hereford coach Randy Dean said. "He finished every time he went to the basket."

Estacado got out to a 13-9 lead after the first quarter, but the Whitefaces responded in the second,

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Sharpe takes the fifth as the Broncos look for their 13th

By John Mossman

AP Sports Writer

DENVER - The Mouth was uncharacteristically contrite, even conciliatory, before clamming up entirely.

Shannon Sharpe, the Denver Broncos' on-field instigator who prides himself on getting in the last word, shunned the media on Wednesday, refusing to help fuel the rivalry with the Kansas City Chiefs - Denver's opponent at Mile High Stadium in Sunday.

The rematch between the Chiefs (5-7) and Broncos (12-0) comes just three weeks after Sharpe's tongue

provoked the Chiefs into a flurry of late-game personal-foul penalties in Denver's 30-7 victory in Arrowhead Stadium.

Chiefs linebackers Derrick Thomas and Wayne Simmons went berserk, a meltdown that cost Thomas a one-game, team-imposed suspension and Simmons his job. Sharpe himself was fined \$10,000 for a retaliatory block on Simmons.

After the game, Sharpe boasted: "I have perfected the talent to make people upset. Trust me. I know what to say to get to anybody."

But it was a more repentant Sharpe who, before turning silent, said earlier this week that the incidents in Kansas City were "really childish ... on both of our parts" and that "maybe I shouldn't have said some of the things I said." He said he hoped to talk with Thomas, an occasional offseason workout partner, before Sunday's game to "clear the air."

"I would hate to let one incident ruin eight years of friendship," he said.

Thomas, for his part, promised there would be no extracurricular activity on Sunday.

"I don't have a personal vendetta against him," Thomas said. "I won't carry anything from the past over into that game."

Most of the Broncos believe Thomas, but they're not as convinced that Sharpe can stay silent for long.

"Talking is Shannon's game," Denver running back Vaughn Hebron said. "That's what makes

"The only time he really gets in somebody's face is in retaliation for what somebody else is saying. But he keeps his poise and composure and doesn't get 15-yard penalties. He has always put the team first."

- Mike Shanahan, Broncos' coach

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BUILDING HISTORY



Brand File Photo



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P.D. wins, but Herd improves drastically

By Bob Varmette

Hereford Brand Sports Writer

Hereford coach Mike Dominguez said his wrestlers would be better.

He wasn't making an idle boast.

Just 10 days after getting thrashed 69-13 by Amarillo Caprock in a nondistrict dual - their first-ever - the Whitefaces were matched up against a perennially strong Amarillo Palo Duro squad.

No, they didn't win, but the improvement over the Caprock match was obvious as Palo Duro decided Hereford 55-27 in a nondistrict dual Thursday night at Hereford High School gym - the first-ever home dual for the Whitefaces.

"Palo Duro is a very good team, well-coached, been around a million years," Dominguez said. "For us to come out in our second dual - in two matches - to be able to turn it around and compete, that's pretty good."

Hereford won five matches compared to three at Caprock, and won three of the matches by falls.

The Whitefaces struggled early in the lower weights as Palo Duro jumped out 22-0, but Hereford picked up its first victory of the night at 130 pounds when Albert Chavarria won by major decision

Palo Duro 55, Hereford 27

103 - Johnathan Jackson (PD) pinned Chris Gavino (H), 1:01; 112 - Dominic Baldwin (PD) won by forfeit; 119 - Dong Ho (PD) dec. Jeremiah Castillo (H) 20-6; 125 - Benjamin Vasquez (PD) pinned Perfecto Mancha (H), 2:48; 130 - Albert Chavarria (H) dec. Charles Wrigley (PD) 18-4; 135 - Javier Alonzo (H) won by technical fall over Matthew Salazar (PD), 2:00; 140 - Chris Cantrell (PD) pinned J.P. Gutierrez (H), :38; 145 - Joe Sayocoe (PD) dec. Ruben Lanson (H) 7-2; 152 - Miguel McCustian (PD) pinned Edward Davila (H), 3:17; 160 - Chad Dumer (PD) won by forfeit; 171 - Boone Waggoner (PD) pinned Nathan Hoy (H), 1:01; 180 - Seth Pietsak (H) pinned Josh Erwin (PD), 3:47; 189 - Donald Dickson (PD) pinned Gilbert Hernandez (H), 3:22; 215 - Bobby Barba (H) pinned Brent Story (PD), :30; Hwt - Kris Hammerbeck (H) pinned Marcus Bettag (PD), 3:10. A-150 est.

Gilbert Hernandez (top, right) of Hereford practices recently with teammate Rick Bordayo during a workout at Hereford High School. At left, Kris Hammerbeck (left) and Daniel Fangman practice. Hammerbeck won Thursday night, pinning Marcus Bettag of Amarillo Palo Duro. Hernandez was pinned by the Dons' Donald Dickson. Palo Duro won the nondistrict dual, 55-27.

Next: Hereford JV at Tucumcari (N.M.) tourney today, varsity at Tucumcari tourney Saturday

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Japanese baseball looks into alleged sign stealing

By Yuri Kageyama

Associated Press Writer

"I can't believe it. I'd like to believe my players."

- Sadaharu Oh, Daiei coach

TOKYO - Say it ain't so, Oh.

An elaborate sign-stealing scheme has Sadaharu Oh in the middle of an investigation that could result in a lifetime ban for the all-time home run king.

Oh, who hit a record 868 home runs in Japanese baseball, now manages the Daiei Hawks. Three accused Hawks players have denied any part in the scam, and Oh was astounded by the reports.

"I can't believe it. I'd like to believe my players," he said Thursday.

While Oh has not been directly implicated in the allegations, he could be banned for life if the investigation finds that the team was behind the scandal. Japanese custom often requires those in leadership positions to step down after a scandal, even if they are not directly involved.

According to the charges, which surfaced Wednesday, a Daiei team employee

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Kansas State coach Bill Snyder was named Big 12 coach of the year by the Associated Press Thursday. The Wildcats will play Texas A&M Saturday in the Big 12 Championship Game at the Trans World Dome in St. Louis.



Courtesy Photo/Kansas State

Snyder receives AP coaching honor

By Doug Tucker

AP Sports Writer

MANHATTAN, Kan. - It was the end of a long and hectic national signing day in college football and Bill Snyder had just announced all of Kansas State's new recruits.

Someone approached to congratulate him on Ross Snyder's signing with a nearby junior college.

"Who did he sign with?" asked the father of his son. That's how dedicated Bill Snyder is to his job.

That's the laser-like in-

tensity he brings to what Kansas State fans proudly call the greatest turnaround in the history of college football, and what others call "the Miracle in Manhattan."

That's the dogged, narrowly focused, "shut-out-the-rest-of-the-world" attention to detail which in just 10 years has brought the losingest program in major college history to the brink of a national championship.

No less an authority than former Oklahoma coach

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Herd

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over Charles Wrigley of Palo Duro, 18-4.

It was the upper weights, though, where Hereford was strongest. The Whitefaces won three of the last four matches starting with Seth Pietsek's pin of Don 180-pounder Josh Erwin in the second period. Bobby Barba at 215 pounds and Kris Hammerbeck at heavyweight also won their matches by falls.

"The last four of us weights, we started a thing," Hammerbeck said. "We said, 'OK, whoever loses has got to pay the other ones tribute.' So on our running days, they got to do a fourth of what we do. And we get off that fourth."

Whatever the deal between the four, Dominguez was just happy with the results, although not entirely surprised.

"Our bigger kids have the mentality it's going to take to be good wrestlers," Dominguez said. "They're aggressive, they're being physical, and that's what it's going to take to win."

Pietsek started off his 180-pound match with Palo Duro's Donald Dickson as the aggressor. He scored the first points with 1:15 gone in the first period on a takedown and followed with a 3-point near fall just as the first period elapsed.

Dickson, who spent much of the first period being ridden by Pietsek, rallied in the second with a pair of reversals to close the gap to 7-4 at the 1:27 mark and appeared to have the match swinging back to his control, but Pietsek regained the momentum and stuck Dickson with 1:13 left in the second.

Snyder

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Barry Switzer has called Snyder "the coach of the century" for what he's accomplished.

To no one's surprise, an Associated Press media panel could do no less than make him a runaway winner for Big 12 coach of the year.

"All of us would be proud and honored that there's that type of award bestowed on our football team," Snyder said. "Everybody here works hard, not just the head coach — players, coaches and our staff."

As dedicated as Snyder is to Kansas State's football program, it would be a huge mistake to conclude that this complex man who grew up fatherless is not a good father himself. A few years ago when his daughter was involved in a terrible car accident, Snyder threw himself into helping her through a painful period of physical rehabilitation. Sean Snyder, an All-America punter for the Wildcats in 1992, works for his dad as Kansas State's assistant athletics director for football operations.

And Ross, after a redshirt season at Butler County Community College, is now a backup running back at Kansas State who says his greatest thrill was watching his dad beat Syracuse in last year's Fiesta Bowl.

"Coach Snyder cares for us as more than just football players," said running back Marlon Charles. "He wants us to learn things that will help us be

"(Pietsek) is literally twice as good as he was last week," Dominguez said. "He understands that he has to go extremely hard in the (workout) room to be able to go extremely hard in the match. He was being very aggressive and very physical on the mat."

One of the biggest surprises has been Barba at 215 pounds. The Whiteface senior won by fall at Caprock in his first match out and duplicated the feat Thursday night with a pin of Brent Story in only 30 seconds.

Story started the match on the attack as both wrestlers stayed on their feet before Barba got the Dons' wrestler to the mat with a takedown 22 seconds into the match.

"That guy's going . . . Bobby won't let him take him down, and then that guy gets out of position," Dominguez said. "And Bobby pins him. (Story) is a very good wrestler. He pinned him in the first period — under a minute — that's very impressive."

Hammerbeck was almost as impressive at heavyweight against the Dons' Marcus Bettag. Hammerbeck was up 4-2 on a takedown and a reversal before time was called at 1:10 of the first period when the Hereford heavyweight suffered a cut to the top of his nose.

"He came across and knocked my (ear guard strap) down and it came across and it tore my face," Hammerbeck said.

Hammerbeck didn't let the stoppage affect him, securing another takedown with 47 seconds left in the opening period and them jumping out on Bettag in the second period before pinning him at the 3:10 mark.

successful in life long after we're through playing football."

During the sorry state of the moribund program Snyder took charge of in 1989, nothing less than total dedication would have worked.

The Wildcats, the first major college program with 500 losses, had had two winning seasons and three NCAA probationations since 1954.

But they'll take a perfect 11-0 record into the Big 12 championship game against Texas A&M on Saturday, looking for a victory they hope will vault them into the national championship game in the Fiesta Bowl.

In the 1990s, Kansas State is 76-27-1 after closing out the '80s with a 1-36-1 record.

In nearly 10 full seasons, Snyder has won 76 games at Kansas State. To get 77 Kansas State wins prior to that, you have to add up all the Wildcats' victories from 1959 to 1988.

Needless to say, Snyder hears often from coaches trying to resurrect losing programs.

His answer is always the same. "There's no magic to it," he said. "Whatever degree of success we've had has come from basic things — hard work, intrinsic values and a lot of great, great people I've been fortunate enough to be around here. There's nothing magical about things if you've got good people."

The Kansas State coach drew 11 votes from the panel of sports writers.

Sharpe

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him great."

Defensive end Harald Hasselbach said Sharpe "gets under your skin. That's his game, and I don't think he'll do things much differently."

Sharpe hid from the media during the 45 minutes of open locker room on Wednesday, leaving word with the Broncos media relations staff that he would have no comment this week.

Coach Mike Shanahan came to the defense of his All-Pro tight end.

"The only time he really gets in somebody's face is in retaliation for what somebody else is saying," Shanahan said. "But he keeps his poise and composure and doesn't get 15-yard penalties. He has always put the team first."

Shanahan dismissed suggestions that the Chiefs might put a bounty on Sharpe in Sunday's game.

"Once you start looking at people and try to take somebody out, you're not concentrating on your game," he said. "If somebody does that, it's better for us. If they're worried about Shannon, then they're not worried about their job."

Sharpe actually came to Thomas' defense on Monday, saying the Chiefs' linebacker "is getting blamed unfairly" for the team's struggles.

"I don't think you can say their defense is not playing as well as they should be because Derrick is not playing against the run," Sharpe said. "Derrick has never been known as a strong run stuffer. But he's probably the best pure pass rusher of the '90s."

"Because when you've been to nine consecutive Pro Bowls and you've been defensive player of the year, there's no way you can fall that fast. For him to take all the criticism for the defense for what's going on — it isn't right."

Whitefaces

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outscored the Matadors 25-16. Hereford then extended their margin in the third quarter, outscoring Estacado 16-7 to take a 50-36 advantage into the final quarter.

"We played real well," Dean said. "We were able to handle the things they threw at us. They tried to press us full court and we took care of the ball and were able to convert that to points on the other end, especially in the second and third quarters."

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outscored Socorro 17-7 in the third quarter and took a commanding 43-29 margin into the final quarter. The quarter was the biggest offensively for the night for Hereford.

"We were kind of a little bit reluctant," Harrison said. "In the

The Matadors, when not pressing, fell back into a zone defense — a defense that had given the Whitefaces trouble early this season. But Hereford handled that, too.

"That was good to see," Dean said. "I thought we attacked it better than we had in the first four games."

Hereford will play Lubbock High in the second round at 7 p.m. tonight. The Westerners defeated Dimmitt 61-59 in another first-round game Thursday night.

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monitored TV cameras around Fukuoka Dome that were focused on the opposing catcher.

Japanese media reports said the employee picked up the pitches and relayed them by walkie-talkie to a youngster in the stands who then relayed information to the batter by using a megaphone.

Holding the megaphone in front of his face meant a fastball. Holding it to the right meant a curve or a slider, and to the left a forkball.

The three players questioned — infielders Koichiro Yoshinaga and Shikato Yanagita and outfielder Noriyoshi Omichi — all denied the allegations, according to Japanese media.

The Pacific League will convene a special meeting of its board of directors Dec. 9 to discuss the results of Daiei's internal investigation and decide what measures to take.

Appleby has lead after first round of Australian

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP) — The tragedy of his wife's death last summer continues to weigh heavily on the mind of Australian golfer Stuart Appleby.

"I have lived the nightmare for four months," Appleby said Thursday. "One minute I'm good, one minute I'm bad."

Renay Appleby, a promising golfer who caddied for her husband, died in a London traffic accident following the British Open.

Appleby returned to play in his native Australia for the first time since the accident Thursday, shooting a 3-under-par 69 for the first-round lead in the Australian Open.

Only 13 of the 126 players in the Open broke par on the difficult Royal Adelaide Course. Appleby, who will play with the International team in next

week's Presidents Cup matches at Royal Melbourne, had birdies on Nos. 10 and 11, bogeyed Nos. 14 and 15, then closed with two birdies to take the lead.

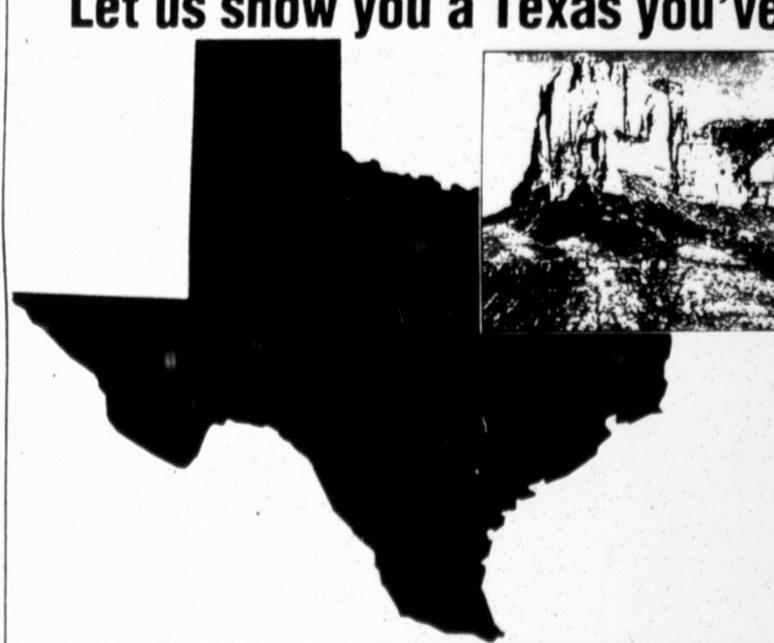
"I'm generally pretty happy with the day," he said. "I'm under-golfed a bit, so I'm trying to get enough good shots in the bag."

Australian Greg Norman, playing his first regular tournament since surgery on his left shoulder in late April, was tied with countrymen Peter Senior and Kenny Druce, Canada's Rick Gibson and New Zealand's Stephen Scahill, one stroke behind.

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News in brief

Space shuttle blasts off with cargo of station parts

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Space shuttle Endeavour and its crew of six blazed a brilliant trail into orbit today, taking off on the first construction flight of the international space station.

"Let's go do this," said commander Robert Cabana, who along with his crew waited a full year for this day.

"Amen," a launch controller replied. The entire sky flashed when Endeavour's boosters ignited at 3:35 a.m. The shuttle shone like a bright star and was visible for more than seven minutes as it sped out over the Atlantic and up the East Coast.

About one minute later, Endeavour was cruising in orbit, bound for a Sunday rendezvous with the first space station component launched by the Russians. The component had just passed over Cape Canaveral when the shuttle blasted off. The full moon gleamed as the chase began.

Endeavour is carrying Part 2, an American-built connecting passageway that the astronauts will attach to the piece that preceded them into orbit by two weeks.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was among the dignitaries from around the world who returned for Endeavour's second launch attempt.

The first, on Thursday, was scrapped when the master alarm in the shuttle cockpit went off with just 4 1/2 minutes remaining in the countdown. This time, the alarm behaved.

Zimbabwean deployment blasted

HARARE, Zimbabwe — Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe may have deployed troops to the rainforests of Congo to boost his standing at home and abroad, but the decision has brought little more than criticism and suspicion.

More than 8,000 Zimbabwean troops are supporting embattled Congolese President Laurent Kabila in his war against a rebel movement backed by Rwanda and Uganda. The troops have been joined by smaller forces from Angola, Namibia and Sudan since the insurrection began Aug. 2.

But while Kabila is thankful for the help from Mugabe, his closest ally, Zimbabweans have been less than pleased with their president's foreign adventure.

Labor groups, church leaders and human rights organizations have demanded Mugabe pull out of Congo, and his involvement in the country has done little to reverse his standing following civil unrest earlier this year.

Food riots in January forced him to deploy troops in Zimbabwean cities for the first time since he became the nation's first black ruler in 1980.

The government's continual reluctance to release information about the situation in Congo also has raised concern at the International Monetary Fund, which was expected to deliver \$55 million in aid this month.

The IMF wants a breakdown of military spending before the money is released. If the aid is withheld, it could worsen the nation's already dramatic economic problems. The Zimbabwean dollar has plunged 80 percent in value against the U.S. dollar this year alone.

While the nation's economic woes may be worsening, reports indicate that some of Mugabe's political allies may be profiting from the intervention.

Writers workshop set at college

LEVELLAND — A writers workshop focusing on the how-tos of inspirational story writing is scheduled Saturday at South Plains College.

The workshop, "Bleeding, Scabbed and Scarred: How to Write Inspirational Stories Editors Buy," will feature guest speaker Nancy Robinson Masters, a successful freelance writer. The workshop is scheduled 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Founders Room in the Student Center.

Cost is \$50, which includes lunch.

"Writing about the triumphs and tragedies of your life is not only a powerful way to explore your personal feelings and help others; it can also be financially profitable," said Jim Walker, dean of continuing and distance education at SPC.

To pre-register, contact the SPC Office of Continuing and Distance Education at 806-894-9611, extension 2341.

Ribbon cut



New business -- Members of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce joined the owners, staff and friends of Top of Texas Tans for the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new business on Main Street. In addition to tanning booths, the business offers gifts and accessories. Cutting the ribbon are (third from left, front) Max and Kim Middleton and Kathleen and Matt Collier.

School districts plan to participate in fair at Portales campus

PORTALES -- There will be a Teacher Fair on Dec. 8 and 9 in the Campus Union Building Ballroom of Eastern New Mexico University in Portales.

December and May graduates, alumni and community members seeking employment in education in January or August are invited.

More than will attend this event. These include public schools from New Mexico from Albuquerque, Bernalillo, Central Consolidated (Four Corners), Chama Valley, Clovis, Floyd, Gallup-McKinley, Las Cruces, Portales, Roswell, Tucumcari, Magdalena, Lake Arthur and Espanola. Schools from Texas include Amarillo, El Paso (Ysleta ISD), Kress, Midland and Odessa (Ector County ISD). Phoenix (Issac ISD), Tucson PS and Tucson (Flowing Wells ISD) and Sierra Vista will attend from Arizona. Denver PS from Colorado, Liberal PS from Kansas and Compton PS from California will also be interviewing.

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Worker morale declines

Here we are at a time when jobs are plentiful and incomes are rising faster than inflation and one study after another shows worker morale is far from what it should be.

The dissatisfaction is widespread and perhaps growing, and the finger may be pointing at what workers consider uninspiring leadership at the top echelons of management. Whatever the reason, key worker turnover is up.

Moreover, a survey just released by a recognized management consulting firm suggests the discontent may be spreading upward. Unlike earlier surveys, supervisors now join workers in placing the blame on management.

Kepner-Tregoe, whose clients include many of the Fortune 500, found that the majority of workers interviewed said co-workers were dissatisfied and found top management ineffective in keeping high-performing workers.

The major part of the criticism was that top management's leadership was uninspiring and that they failed to properly address issues that led to the loss of key workers and then to poorer quality and service.

Such losses, they suggested, dulled the company's competitive edge, caused a loss of valuable experience and knowledge, lowered morale, made goals less attainable and resulted in financial losses to the company.

Asked to compare their management to 1. a finely synchronized symphony orchestra, 2. a medieval kingdom top-heavy with power and 3. a three-ring circus, workers and supervisors chose numbers 2 and 3.

Many will view the story as based in the ages-old stress between management and labor, intensified by a decades-low unemployment rate, but consultants maintain there is more to it than that. Maybe it's because that's how they make their money; maybe not.

Whatever, among factors mentioned in surveys are these: many companies have reduced work crews, top management tends to view worker needs in the abstract rather than in specifics, communications are poor.

In the Kepner-Tregoe survey, some of the old factors were mentioned as being important, such as income, feeling valued, knowing there was room for advancement and having relationships free of conflict.

What stands out in various surveys, however, is the frustration workers encounter in making views known. For example, they feel personally the impact of decisions, and they know firsthand how savings can be made.

Kepner-Tregoe chose these as indicative of responses to the question: "In the face of increasing turnover, is top management contributing to the solution — or to the problem?"

Worker: "I wonder about the perception of the organization to other employees, to our customers, and to the general public. I wonder about whether top management knows of the impact its decisions are having."

Supervisor: "The executives don't feel like the rest of us count. They do not include us in the company's plan, policies, or future. This information is dictated to us when they feel we need to know."

Although the survey didn't examine the issue, a future study might discover specifically why the dissatisfaction seems to be creeping up into the higher echelons of companies.

Management critics have speculated that it could have a lot to do with the awareness among middle managers, supervisors and workers of the growing disparity between their incomes and those at the very top.

That, and the feeling among lower-level workers that many of the efficiencies and savings for which management takes credit originate right there on the production-room floor.

Johnson & Johnson to slash 4,100 jobs

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Seeking more money for research and development, health care giant Johnson & Johnson plans to eliminate 4,100 jobs, or 4 percent of its work force.

The reduction will come over the next 18 months by closing 36 of the company's 158 manufacturing plants, the New Brunswick, N.J.-based Johnson & Johnson said Thursday.

About 2,500 of the job cuts by the maker of Tylenol will be in the United States, with the remaining 1,600 in 20 countries throughout the world.

The cuts will mainly occur at manufacturing and opera-

tions facilities whose work is being transferred to other existing facilities.

The most vexing problem facing Johnson & Johnson, the world's fifth-largest pharmaceutical manufacturer, is that it has no major new drugs to replace some recent failures, said one analyst.

Johnson & Johnson has been beaten in the allergy drug market by Schering-Plough, maker of Claritin. Johnson & Johnson's Hismanal allergy drug lost market share because it had more side effects than Claritin, Mehta said.

The company recorded \$3.3 billion in profits last year on \$22.63 billion in sales.

Israeli-Palestinian talks

Netanyahu tells U.S. he has no new demands

JERUSALEM (AP) — Trying to dampen strong U.S. criticism, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told Secretary of State Madeleine Albright that he has made no new demands on the Palestinians while suspending a West Bank pullback, his senior adviser said today.

Palestinian officials accused Netanyahu of creating a crisis to appease hard-liners and unite his shaky coalition, and vowed today to go ahead with their part of the Wye River peace accord.

Tonight, the Palestinian Cabinet and the PLO Executive Committee were to dis-



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cuss procedures for convening the Palestine National Council, the Palestinians' parliament-in-exile, on Dec. 14.

On that day, the PNC and the other groups are to "reaffirm" a letter to President

Clinton in which Arafat declares that clauses of the PLO founding charter calling for Israel's destructions are null and void.

Israel's security Cabinet had voted Wednesday to suspend a troop withdrawal in response to an ambush near the West Bank city of Ramallah, where rioting Palestinians attacked an Israeli car and beat its driver and his soldier passenger with rocks.

A Palestinian university student who participated in that attack and seized the soldier's M-16 assault rifle has been arrested.

Albright spoke with Netanyahu by phone Thursday to discuss the latest crisis, which came a week before Clinton's arrival Dec. 12 to oversee the second phase of the peace accord.

State Department spokesman James Rubin had criticized the Israeli suspension

and called for implementation of the Wye River accord as signed.

After the Cabinet move, the hard-line National Religious Party announced it would withdraw its support for a bill to dissolve the parliament and call new elections.

David Bar Illan, Netanyahu's policy adviser, said the Israeli leader told Albright that Israel's conditions for renewing the handover of West Bank territory to the Palestinians were not new.

Netanyahu says he will only be satisfied by a public declaration by Arafat that the Palestinians are dropping plans to declare statehood in May and that they accept Israel's criteria for the release of Palestinian prisoners.

Those prisoners plan to begin a hunger strike Saturday to press their demands for freedom.

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PHILADELPHIA — Scared to go to confession? Been away from the church for a while? Need a little religion in your life?

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The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has launched a new toll-free, confidential advice hotline in hopes of bringing people back to their faith. More than a week after a \$225,000 media blitz was launched with a string of television and radio commercials, hundreds of callers have flooded the church's three phone lines with prayer requests, sob stories and questions about divorce, abortion and suicide.

"They can call us about anything," the Rev. Charles V. Devlin said Wednesday.

Next month promises even more calls when billboard advertising in English and Spanish will be placed around town.

About 140 priests from the city and surrounding suburbs have volunteered to work on their days off to answer the estimated 100 calls each day.

Devlin calls the hotline the diocese's new kind of confession since priests have gotten calls from people whose first words on the phone are, "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned."

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LIFESTYLES

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Finishing touches are applied by, from left, Paula Edwards, Helen Rose and Cindy Cole, to one of the Christmas trees at the Deaf Smith County Museum in preparation for the open house and Christmas tea from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The annual event is hosted by the Deaf Smith County Historical Society to express their appreciation to county residents for their support. Demonstrations will be given throughout the afternoon. There will be live entertainment and refreshments will be served.

Syndicated Columnist

Ann Landers



Dear Ann Landers: I would like to address this message to the grown children of widowers who are involved in relationships with widows in the evening of their lives. Many of these children do not understand how important we are to one another, and they treat us as if we were "intruders." To these children, I would like to say:

I am the one who makes sure your father takes along a jacket so he doesn't get chilled in an air-conditioned movie.

I am the one to whom he tells all his life stories, often more than once, and I still listen to them respectfully.

I am the one who goes to the doctor with him, at his request, to help him remember what the doctor says.

I am the one who plays cards with him as we listen to music, just to keep him company and because I like him.

I am the one who watches that he doesn't eat the foods the doctor has told him he shouldn't have.

I am the one who sits by his bedside in the hospital, making sure he is cared for, fluffing his pillow, speaking to the doctors, reporting back to you and, finally, driving him home to his apartment.

I am also the one who respects and admires your father, values his opinion, ap-

preciates his kindnesses, loves his affection, revels in his compliments and needs his companionship.

You should call me now and then and let me know you are pleased that I am in your father's life. — Florida Widow

Dear Florida: I wonder how many sons and daughters who read your letter today will make that phone call. I'll bet it will be more than you think.

Dear Ann Landers: I saw this poem on the Internet and wanted to share it with your readers. I don't know who wrote it, but it touched my heart. — Jennifer B.

Dear Jennifer: Thank you for sending it on. Here it is: When You Thought I Wasn't Looking

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you feed a stray cat, and I thought it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make my favorite cake just for me, and I knew that little things are special things.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I heard you say a prayer, and I believed there is a God I could always talk to.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I felt you kiss me goodnight, and I felt loved.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw tears come from your eyes, and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's OK to cry.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared, and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I looked — and wanted to say thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking.

Dear Readers: I recently printed a story about a boy named Mark who was walking home from school when he met a lad who befriended him. That chance meeting and subsequent friendship was enough to keep Mark from committing suicide. I just learned the piece is called "A Simple Gesture," and the author is John W. Schlatter.

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Wedding information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday to be included in the next *Sunday Brand*. Wedding information forms, as well as those for engagements and showers, are available at the news office, 313 N. Lee.

Women's Division now accepting nominations for Woman of Year

The Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce will be accepting nominations for Woman of the Year until Dec. 15.

Nominations may be mailed to the Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 192, Hereford, or they will be accepted at the office, 701 N. Main St.

The award, presented by the Women's Division, will be given

to a division member who has been active during the past year. The winner will be announced at the Women's Division's first quarterly meeting in 1999.

Persons submitting a nomination need not be a member of the Women's Division. Nominations should be in writing, giving qualifications and reasons why the person named

should be considered. The letter does not have to be signed.

Nominees will be judged on accomplishments done for and on behalf of the Women's Division and/or the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce. Other outside activities will then be considered such as community work, charitable work, church activities, youth work, etc.

College Report

Brent and Brenda Johnson of Hereford announce the awarding of a Bachelor of Science Degree in Advertising from The University of Texas at Austin to their daughter Jenny L. Parker on Sunday Dec. 6.



Jenny L. Parker

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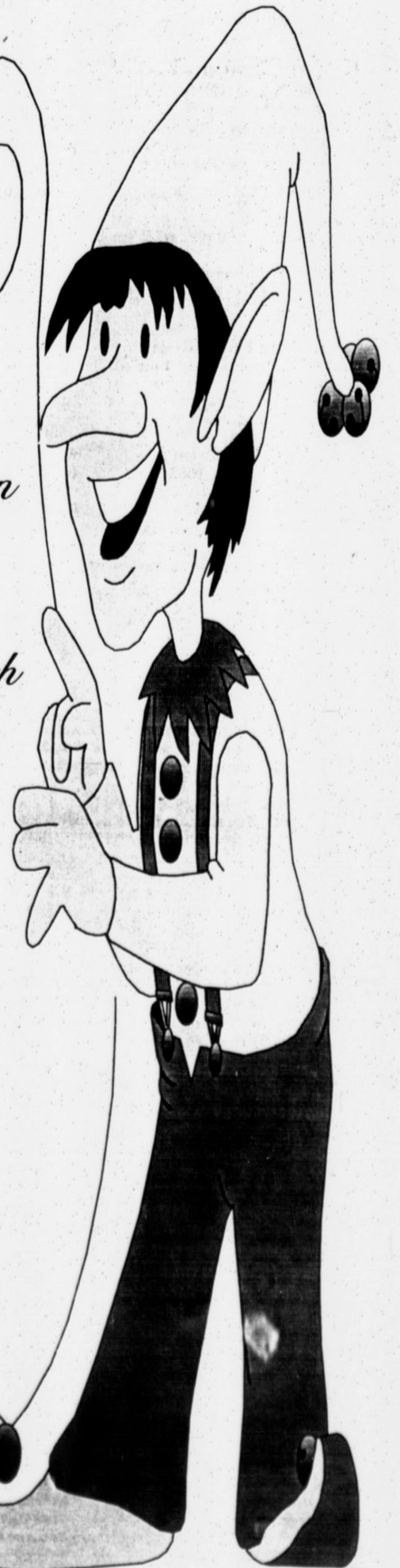
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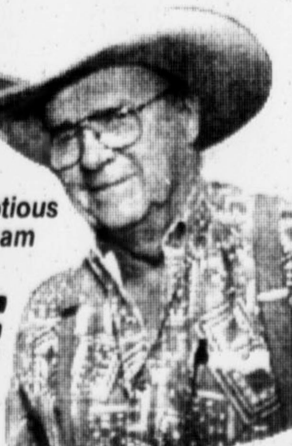
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CHURCH NEWS

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COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Dorman Duggan and congregation invite you to come and worship and praise with them Sunday morning.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9 a.m. and the morning worship service starts at 10. A nursery is provided.

The Sunday evening service is at 6 and a nursery is provided.

The Intercessory Prayer Group meets Monday night at 7 p.m.

Tuesday morning at 9:30 the Ladies Prayer Group meets.

On Wednesday we have our Children's Church and Youth Group meet at 7 p.m. Also, we have our Home Groups for anyone over 18-years-of-age. Call 364-8866 for information on places and times for Home Groups.

For more information or if you need prayer, call 364-8866 or 364-2423.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pastor Ed Warren and the church congregation invite the public to all services at the church located on S. Hwy. 385 and Columbia St.

For additional information, call 364-3487.

COUNTRY ROAD CHURCH OF GOD

401 Country Club Drive

Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

The following is the regular schedule of services.

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services are conducted at 6 p.m. each Wednesday.

Thursday evening prayer service is at 6 p.m.

Gospel singing will be held the last Sunday of each month starting at 5 p.m.

A nursery is provided during all services.

Pastor Wiggins says, "Come and experience what God is doing here - a church where the Spirit is alive and God is moving by His power, a church full of love where you are somebody and Jesus is Lord."

Our 24 hour prayer line is 364-5390.

GOOD NEWS CHURCH

Sugarland Mall

Pastor David Alvarado and the Good News congregation invite you to come and worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us in the spirit of love.

Come and experience the goodness of God and His power.

Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 7 p.m.

There is also a Tuesday worship service at 10 a.m.

If you have any questions or you need prayer, please call Pastor David Alvarado at 364-5239. God bless you.

NEW HOPE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

13th and Avenue H

The members of New Hope Church of the Nazarene and their pastor Tony de Aquino invite you to worship with them.

Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship is at 10:30. Evening worship is at 6 on Sunday and 7 on Wednesday.

The youth meet Friday at 7 p.m.

There are monthly meetings for men and women.

FRIO BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Larry Perkins welcomes all who are interested in prophecy to attend services this Sunday evening as Frio Baptist Church holds a study on prophecy. The service starts at 7 p.m. at the church which is located 5 miles south of Hereford on Hwy. 1055.

Topics include: Are we living in the last days? Is the United States mentioned in prophecy? Why is the Middle East peace process such a big deal? A simple approach to understanding the book of Revelation; and much more.

For more information call 276-5380 or 276-5616.

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

We have been extremely blessed over many weeks now to have so many people sharing what the Lord is doing in their lives, and what He is revealing to them. It has been inspiring everyone to seek even more to see what the Lord is saying daily. We are being equipped to be "overcomers." Revelation 12:11 is truly coming to life for us.

Christian Assembly is a non-denominational church. We have Sunday services at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday nights at 7 there is prayer meeting at the church, and the "in home" youth group, RU4 HIM. On Friday evenings there is now a young adults group. (One or two of these groups gets fed quite well.)

There is also a women's prayer group that meets Thursday afternoons at 2.

We don't look alike. We don't act alike. We don't dress alike. We aren't all the same color. We are all alike in wanting to welcome new people and love them, so please feel free to join us in worshipping and seeking the Lord. You can also call 364-0974, 364-2284 or 364-3742 for more information.

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Come worship with us each and every Sunday at 10:25 a.m. and 6 p.m. Bible Classes are held Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for all ages.

We are located at the corner of Sunset and Plains.

We would like to invite everyone to hear "In Search of the Lord's Way," by Mack Lyon each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. on Channel 4, Amarillo.

We would love to have you come and study God's word with us.

Our minister is Tom Bailey.

NEW BEGINNINGS ASSEMBLY OF GOD BILINGUAL CHURCH

The congregation of New Begin-

nings along with Pastor Armando Pinales and his wife, Nilda, would cordially like to invite you to join us this Sunday morning at 9:45 for an incredible study. There are classes for all ages, so bring your kids.

Sunday evening praise and worship is at 6.

Wednesday night Bible study is at 7.

Youth night service is at 7 p.m. Friday.

The ladies meet for prayer and Bible study on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

If you need prayer call 363-6687.

God bless you. See you in church. We are located at the corner of Bradley and Ironwood, across from West Park Cemetery.

FIRST UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Pastor Warren McKibben is pleased to announce the opening of an Acts 2:38 Bible believing church. We welcome all for a truly down to earth praise and worship experience with our Lord.

If you are seeking answers, come and let's worship together in the name of Jesus. If you are looking for a blessing and still believe in miracles, then this is the place to come. We are one big happy family of God.

We invite all to attend our services at 2 p.m. Sunday.

For further information, call 1-800-454-6051.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

We at Calvary Baptist Church extend a hearty welcome for you to attend our Sunday school and church services.

When you come, we believe you will especially enjoy the wholesome Christian fellowship and spiritual service. There will be a Sunday school class for every member of your family.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and worship is at 11 a.m.

Ray Sanders is the pastor.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Travis Curry and the members of Bible Baptist Church, 1204 Moreman, would like to invite you to worship with us each Sunday at 10 a.m. for Sunday School and 11 a.m. for the preaching of God's Word.

We invite you to our Sunday night service at 6 and our Wednesday prayer service at 7 p.m.

A warm and friendly welcome awaits you. Call 364-3102 or 364-5157 for more information or transportation.

DAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Charles Ellingburg encourages you to come and join us for Sunday School at 10 a.m. and service at 11 a.m. each Sunday. Every third Sunday evening come and sing your praise to the Lord when we dedicate our evening service to praise and worship.

May God bless and keep you.

FAITH MISSION CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Come and worship with us at Faith Mission Church of God in Christ, 307-309 Brevard.

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. We teach it like it is.

Morning worship is at 11 a.m. We preach it like it is.

Richard Collins, pastor, said, "We neither take from, nor add to, what's written in The Book."

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor Tammy Passmore and members of Wesley invite you to visit our services each Sunday.

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. and the worship service is at 11 a.m. Sunday evening worship begins at 6 p.m.

The first Sunday of each month is Communion Sunday.

On Saturday, Dec. 5 Wesley will host an arts and crafts show at Hereford Community Center.

TEMPLO EL CALVARIO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rev. Josue D. Garza, pastor, and Ben Gonzales, minister of youth, invite you to the bilingual services at Templo El Calvario.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. with worship at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Monday youth services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday evening service is at 7.

There is a children's service during the Sunday and Wednesday evening services.

Rev. Garza has announced the church's participation in the Assemblies of God's World Hunger Day. On Nov. 22 the congregation will join with Assemblies of God churches across the U.S. and around the world to collect funds to relieve hunger and poverty worldwide.

A nursery is provided for all services.

For more information, call 364-5686.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

606 E. 15th

Pastor Mike Sullivan and the congregation of First Assembly would like to extend a warm welcome to worship and experience the Lord with them.

Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. and Sunday Morning worship is at 10:45. The evening service begins at 6.

On Tuesdays at 7 p.m., we have Royal Rangers and Missionettes for the boys and girls. Our Youth Service, as well as the Mid-Week Adult Bible Study, is on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. A nursery is provided for all services.

Men's Fellowship meets on the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. For the ladies, Joy Fellowship is on the third Thursday at 7 p.m.

If you are looking for a place to help in God's work, or just want to enjoy the presence of the Holy Spirit, come by and see us.

For more information about the church or if you just need prayer, please call Pastor Sullivan at 364-0305 or 364-4848.



Wesley Arts and Crafts Bazaar, featuring only hand-made items, will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in Hereford Community Center. Included at the annual fund-raiser will be a concession stand with baked potatoes and all the trimmings including homemade chili.

SUMMERFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

Brother Ellis Parson and the congregation of Summerfield Baptist Church extend a warm welcome to come and worship with us. We are located 8 miles west of Hereford on Hwy. 60.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and Sunday worship service is at 10:45 a.m.

The Sunday evening service is at 6 and the Wednesday service begins at 7 p.m. The study is on Proverbs.

Wednesday at 6 p.m. are the R.A. and boys meeting and the G.A. and Acteens meeting.

On Dec. 13 in our morning worship in addition to Bro. Ellis' sermon we will have a guest speaker and performer, Raymond Bull from Amarillo. Following the service we will have a pot luck lunch.

We have a nursery, and transportation is only a phone call away.

For more information, call 357-2535 or 364-5657.

BARN CHURCH

Pastor Randy Bird wants to invite everyone to Barn Church at 6 p.m. Thursday for dinner and then the service at 7:30 p.m. Come for fellowship and a wonderful time of celebrating the abundant blessings God has given us. The Barn Church Arena is located 6 miles west on Harrison Hwy. and then 2-1/2 miles north.

We also encourage you to come to our Bible study at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays at the Ranch House Restaurant on Hwy. 60 West.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Terry Cosby and the congregation of First Baptist Church invite you to come worship with them each Sunday. Sunday services are Sunday school 9:45 a.m.; morning worship 10:50 a.m.; evening worship 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday activities include fellowship meal at 5:30 p.m.; children's choir at 6 p.m.; prayer meeting at 6:15 p.m.; Awanas at 6:50 p.m.; Hang Time for youth at 7 p.m.; and choir practice at 7:10 p.m.

The Sanctuary Choir will present "Mary Did You Know?" During the morning service on Dec. 13. All interested people are invited to attend this special service.

Sunday evening, Dec. 13 the congregation will celebrate The Hanging of the Greens during the regular evening service. A tasting bee will follow. You are invited to bring your special goodies.

On Dec. 16 at 10 a.m. the kindergarten will present its annual program.

Sunday evening, Dec. 20 the congregation will observe a special candlelight service during the evening worship period.

Discipleship classes include Randy Dean teaching "Experiencing God"; GROW team, an evangelistic course, taught by Terry Cosby; Prayer Life, taught by Tommy Rosson; First Place, taught by Janna Williams; and Making Peace, taught by Cindy Simons. Beginning time for all classes is 4 p.m. unless otherwise decided by teacher and class. You may inquire further or sign up for these classes at the church office or by calling 364-0696. There will be a minimum fee for materials for these courses.

TeamKid ministry is held at Buena Vista Church of Christ from 5:30-6:15 p.m. on Thursdays.

If you don't have a regular place to attend Sunday school, come visit First Baptist's excellent Christian education program, and stay for morning worship where you will hear an excellent Bible-based sermon and enthusiastic worship in song.

AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Jim Bulin and the congregation of Avenue Baptist Church, 130 North 25 Mile Avenue, invite you to worship with them.

Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship follows at 11. Rev. Bulin's sermon title will be "A Branch of Hope" based on Isaiah 10:33-11:5.

Sunday evening at 6 there will be a special service with singing favorite religious Christmas carols and viewing a film on international missions.

Choir members are reminded that choir practice is Monday night at 8. Practice on the Christmas program has begun and anyone who likes to sing is invited to become a member of the choir and practice with them on the Christmas music.

The Ladies Prayer Group meets Monday evenings at 6:30.

Rev. Bulin invites church members to meet at the church at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday for visitation. He urges each person to make at least one visit each week.

Wednesday night prayer service is at 6:30. If you have a prayer request, call the church office at 364-1564.

The youth meet on Wednesday night at 7:15.

Avenue Baptist Church has Bible teaching and Bible preaching. If you are looking for a church and a place to serve God, we invite you to join us.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. James Mock of Plainview will officiate at St. Thomas' on The Second Sunday of Advent. The Holy Eucharist, Rite II will be celebrated at 11 a.m. If you have been baptized, St. Thomas' offers open Eucharist. There is a coffee hour after the service. Supervised nursery care is provided during the worship hour.

The regular Wednesday Public Service of Healing is at 7 p.m. and includes the Litany of Healing with the Laying-on-of-Hands, along with the Service of Evening Prayer.

Intercessory prayer requests from the community are most welcome. To have them included in the prayers of the people at all services, please call 364-0146 and leave a message.

Heavenly Treasures Day Care meets at St. Thomas' on Thursdays and Fridays. For information on enrollment, please call Sylvia Martinez at 363-6468.

In case of emergency call Amy Gilliland at 364-2211.

If you want more information about the Episcopal Church, call Earl Brookhart at 364-0249.

WESTWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

Brother Jerry D. Smith and the church family at Westway invite you to come and worship with us. Each Sunday we are privileged to hear the old time Gospel story of Jesus and His love. Brother Kenneth Varner is leading the music. You will be blessed as you join in the service.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and worship is at 11 a.m.

May we each remember the reason for this special time of the year as we rejoice and be glad in Him.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

The congregation and the pastor, H. Wyatt Bartlett, of Temple Baptist Church invite everyone to come worship with them Sunday.

Sunday school and Bible study begins at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship is at 11. In the morning worship we will observe The Lord's Supper. This Sunday will be the ingathering day for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

At noon we will have our Holiday Dinner. Everyone is invited. The church will furnish the meat, coffee, tea and bread. If you are going to join us, we ask that you bring salad, vegetables or desserts.

Discipleship training begins at 5:45 p.m. TeamKIDS meets at 5:45 also. The evening worship is at 7. The pastor will bring the message.

The deacons will meet at 8 p.m. Sunday.

Women on Missions meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday. All women are invited to come study missions and the Bible. They meet in the church parlor.

Wednesday evenings at 7 we have prayer meeting and the study of the Bible. Everyone is invited. The choir meets at 7:45 p.m. All choir members need to be present as they are working on the Christmas music.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The friendly folks and the Rev. Jeremy Grant welcome you to our fellowship and service of worship. At

our 10:30 a.m. service this Sunday, Rev. Jeremy Grant will preach a sermon titled, "What Shall We Do with the Child, Innkeeper?" The Bible lesson is Luke 2:1-7. During the service, Communion will be celebrated.

Everyone is welcome to join us for our time of Sunday morning fellowship and a cup of coffee in the Large Fellowship Hall off the back parking lot. We start at 10:10 a.m. and wrap up before worship.

Worship Team will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday and 7:15 p.m. Wednesday.

Little Blessings Day Care is open Monday and Tuesday from 7:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Give us a call at 364-2475.

On Monday, junior high girls meet at 4:30 p.m. for Bible study and the Prayer Group gathers in praise and intercession at 6 p.m.

Women's Bible study of Ephesians meets at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday. Bring a friend to study God's word with you.

Playgroup for Moms and Kids is 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Wednesday upstairs in the church nursery. For more information, call Kit Grant at 364-0745.

Youth and children's Wednesday night program, LOGOS, meets from 5:15-7:15 p.m. Dinner is served. The Sanctuary Choir practices at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Youth prayer meeting for mission trip is at 4:30 p.m. Thursday. Brian Burynski's Bible study meets at 7 p.m. Thursday. The topic is "Sovereignty of God."

All men are welcome to join Mike Schueler for a light breakfast and book study at 6:45 a.m. Friday.

Invite a friend to worship with us Sunday, Dec. 13 at 10:30 a.m.

Come see what's happening at First Presbyterian Church. Contact us at firstpres@wrt.net or 364-2471. We're located at 610 N. Lee.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Immanuel invites you to come worship with us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. corner of Ave. B and Park. This Sunday's sermon theme is "Christ makes straight our paths" focusing on Matthew 3:1-12.

Sunday School for the children is from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Immanuel offers a Bible study Sunday at 9:15 a.m. The topic is different religions.

Immanuel celebrates the anticipation of the coming birth of Jesus Christ with Advent services at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Come join us as we worship together and celebrate the hope that Christ's birth brings to the world.

Pastor Stadler begins the day Tuesday through Friday with a short morning prayer service at 7:45. The service lasts about 15 minutes.

We hope to have you join us at any one of our services or activities. If you have questions, contact the church at 364-1668.

HEREFORD CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

The Nazarene congregation invites you to worship with us Sunday morning at 10:30. Pastor Ted Taylor's sermon will be "The Forgotten Man of Christmas," taken from the Christmas story in Matthew and Luke.

Join us for Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. We have classes for all ages.

Sunday evening service begins at 6. Pastor Ted's Wednesday night Study class, "That the World May Know," resumes this week. We invite you to open the beauty of the Jewish culture with us.

Weight Down Workshop, now being led by Ruby Sanders, meets at 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the Discipleship Room.

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our annual Parish Holiday dinner will be at noon Sunday in the cafeteria/gym. Children get a special treat and visit with St. Nick, Turkey and dressing with gravy, bread and drinks will be provided. If your last name begins with A-H, please bring a vegetable; I-M, a dessert; and N-Z, a salad.

Life Network, Inc. donates hand-made baby blankets to crisis pregnancy centers for moms who have had positive pregnancy tests. If you want to sponsor a bolt of fabric for \$30 or a number of blankets for \$5 each, send your donation to Life Network, Inc. 83 N. Avondale, Amarillo, TX 79106.

Holiday parish liturgies include Immaculate Conception at 7 p.m. Dec. 7 and 7:15/8:15 a.m. on Dec. 8.

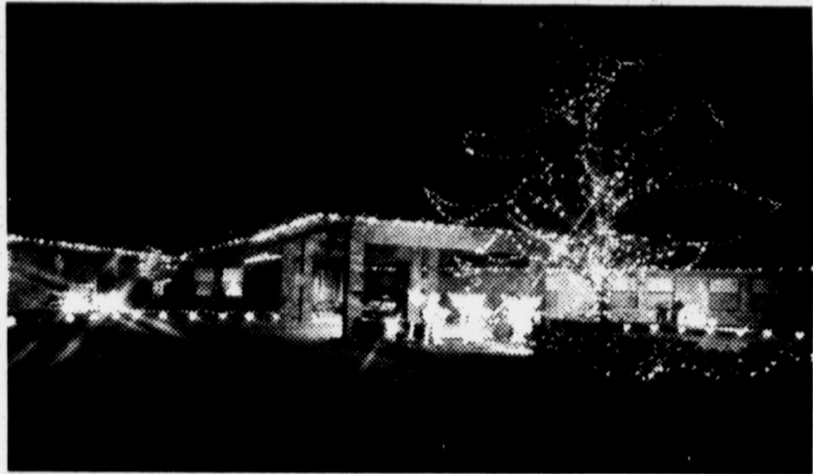
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At FOB, everything we do is considered worship (Old English - *worship* = worthiness): drinking coffee, eating homemade goodies, praying, giving away money, food and clothes, playing, singing, asking hard questions, friendly banter, listening to a sermon or lighting an Advent candle. It's all about the incomprehensible worth of God and celebrating the incredible worth of each person and all creation.

But we gather for corporate worship at 10:30 (concluding no later than 11:30). On this first Sunday of the month, we bring, as an offering, food staples for the Hereford Food Pantry. But offering plates are never passed at FOB. We also dim the lights for an intimate service of Holy Communion which is open to anyone who is "hungry." Prior to Communion, the pastor, Nathan L. Stone, Ph.D., will present a homily/meditation entitled, "Has Anyone Seen That Repent-O-Meter?" (Matthew 3:1-12). With repentance so big in the news, the lectionary gives a timely text.

LIFESTYLES

Now is time to enter



Hereford Care Center was the winner of the Total Business division in the 1997 Christmas Lighting Contest.

Christmas Lighting Contest

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Women's Division is sponsoring the annual Christmas Lighting Contest for homes and businesses.

Nominations will be accepted for any home or business in Hereford.

Entry forms are available at the chamber office, 701 N. Main. Completed entries must be returned to that office by 5 p.m. on Dec. 11.

Categories are: residential-total home or windows and doors; and business-total business or windows and doors.

Previous winners are eligible to enter again, but must compete in a category different from the one entered the past year.

Judging will be Dec. 14-15 and 1998 contest winners will be announced in the Sunday, Dec. 20 edition of The Hereford Brand.

School Menus

HEREFORD I.S.D.

Breakfast

MONDAY-Blueberry pancake with sausage on a stick with syrup; or cereal, buttered toast, sliced pears, milk choice.

TUESDAY-Breakfast pizza; or cereal, buttered toast, orange smiles, milk choice.

WEDNESDAY-Scrambled eggs, cherry muffin square; or cereal, buttered toast, apple juice, milk choice.

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

FRIDAY-Cinnamon tasteries; or cereal, buttered toast, banana, milk choice.

Lunch

MONDAY-Sliced roast beef with brown gravy, smashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, whole wheat rolls, hot cherry cobbler, milk choice.

TUESDAY-Submarine sandwich (turkey and cheese), lettuce and tomato slices, tator stick with catsup, cherry freeze cup, milk choice.

WEDNESDAY-Pepperoni pizza, cabbage apple salad, seasoned corn, gelatin with

mixed fruit and topping, milk choice.

THURSDAY-Crispy tacos with picante sauce, lettuce with tomatoes, Spanish rice, pinto beans, sliced pears, cinnamon roll, milk choice.

FRIDAY-Chili dog with mustard, baked beans, crispy French fries with catsup, fresh fruit cup, royal brownie, milk choice.

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

MONDAY-Pizza, corn, tator tots, applesauce, milk.

TUESDAY-Smothered steak, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, sliced bread, cherry cobbler, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Tacos, pinto beans, tossed salad, apple crisp, milk.

THURSDAY-Turkey and dressing with gravy, green beans, fruity Jello, hot rolls, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle slices, tator tots, pineapple upside down cake, milk.

Hereford has a number of excellent retail stores. Shop Hereford first through the pages of *The Hereford Brand!*

Del Toro is speaker for Hereford Toastmasters

"There Is No Way Out" was the topic of the speech by Margaret Del Toro at the Thursday morning meeting of Hereford Toastmasters.

Evaluator for Del Toro's presentation was Oscar Barrera III.

Sharon Cramer presided at the meeting with Jigger Rowland serving as toastmaster.

Cramer served as timer and wordmaster and Barrera was AH counter and grammarian. Topicmaster was Lydia

Villanueva and the topic speakers were Wayne Winget, Del Toro, Cramer and Rowland.

The vote for best topic speaker was a tie between Rowland and Winget.

One guest, Adolfo Del Toro, was in attendance.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in Hereford Regional Medical Center on Dec. 4:

Christina Arsola, Clemencia Bosquez, Maria M. Garcia, Diana S. Johnson, Elizabeth L. Manley, Lola B. Noyes, George A. Paschel, Doris Rush, Dale Smith, Della Stagner, Ollie Walker, Imogene C. Zinck.

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INSIDE

Lovett lovingly recalls his roots

By Rick Mitchell

Houston Chronicle
HOUSTON — The Aerial Theater at Bayou Place and the Anderson Fair folk club in Montrose are separated by a 10-minute car ride. But that distance can sum up a career for most local musicians.

Lyle Lovett, one of the handful of Houston-based artists to successfully complete the jump to national touring act, led a full house of new and old fans back across that great divide Nov. 27 at the Aerial.

Lovett's latest album, "Step Inside This House," is a two-disc salute to the Texas singer-songwriters he enjoyed and studied as an aspiring artist hanging out at Anderson Fair and other local clubs in the late '70s and early '80s. Most of his two-hour set was devoted to songs from the album, which includes originals by Steve Fromholz, Townes Van Zandt, Guy Clark, Eric Taylor, Vince Bell, Walter Hyatt, Willis Alan Ramsey, David Rodriguez, Michael Martin Murphey and Robert Earl Keen.

Lovett saved a few favorites of his own — "If I Had a Boat," "Memphis," "One Eyed Fiona" — for the latter part of the show.

The truth is that Lovett has long since surpassed most of his early inspirations, both in terms of commercial and creative accomplishments. Song for song, the show might have been more entertaining had Lovett featured more of his own material.

But what a rare and beautiful thing it is to see a contemporary artist give something back to the tradition in which he came up. Lovett's idiosyncratic blend of upbeat country-

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swing and melancholy folk-blues represents the dialectic between Hyatt and Van Zandt, while his wry humor and narrative skills reflect the influence of Fromholz, Clark and all the rest.

By reintroducing these regional heroes to his national audience, Lovett has defined his own place in the tradition while extending a helping hand to those who came before him.

The A&M alum allowed that the only thing that would have improved his day was three more points on the Aggie side of the ledger in the showdown between Texas A&M University and the University of Texas.

"Congratulations to the 'Horns for a great football game, and that's all I better say on that," he said.

Lovett was backed by an eight-piece band, with bluegrass greats Mike Auldridge on dobro and Sam Bush on mandolin joining Lovett's long-time accompanists John Hagen on cello and James Gilmer on percussion.

The presence of bluegrass sweetheart Alison Krauss — whose brother Viktor plays bass in Lovett's band — was an unexpected treat. Krauss added angelic backup vocals on several songs and contributed to the tight three-part harmony with Lovett and Bush on the traditional bluegrass tune "More Pretty Girls Than One." Too bad Krauss

had left her fiddle back in Nashville. It might have been wonderful to hear her try some Texas-style twin fiddling with Gene Elders, on loan from George Strait's Ace In the Hole Band.

By focusing on songs by other writers, Lovett inevitably calls attention to his underrated vocal skills. His singing on Ramsey's humorous "Sleepwalking" swung smoothly, while he brought out the subtle intensity in Van Zandt's "Flying Shoes."

But he remained true to the singer-songwriter dictum that the song comes before the singer and never imposed his style on the material. He seemed to take special care with Fromholz's "Texas Trilogy," which honors the small-town, agricultural lifestyle Lovett himself experienced growing up in Klein.

In introducing "This Old Porch," a song he co-wrote with Keen back in his collegiate days, Lovett apologized to anyone from College Station who might have been offended by their Sunday-morning serenades.

"I was just trying to learn how to talk and play guitar at the same time," he said.

He's come a long way since then, from struggling local act to international celebrity. But Lovett's musical heart is still out on that porch, inviting all who pass by to step inside this house of Texas music.

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Comics

The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Marvin

By Tom Armstrong



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Barney Google and Snuffy Smith

By Fred Lasswell



FRIDAY DECEMBER 4

| | 6 PM | 6:30 | 7 PM | 7:30 | 8 PM | 8:30 | 9 PM | 9:30 | 10 PM | 10:30 | 11 PM |
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| 2 | News Hour with Jim Lehrer | Wash. Week | Wall St | Helmut Lotti Goes Classic | Robert Wells-King of the Keyboard | News Hour | | | | | |
| 3 | Movie: Rudolph and Frosty's Christmas in July (1980) | Movie: Christmas Every Day (1996) | Movie: Robert Hays: ** | 700 Club | AXN | | | | | | |
| 4 | News | Ent. Tonight | Dateline | Homicide: Life | Homicide: Life | News | (3:5) Tonight Show | | | | |
| 5 | Movie: The Jungle Book ***½ 'G' | (20) Movie: Jungle 2 Jungle Tim Allen | AIDS | Famous | Walt Disney Presents | Zorro | | | | | |
| 6 | Roseanne | Roseanne | Grinch | (3:5) Flintstones Christmas Carol | (1:5) Movie: Edward Scissorhands (1990) | Johnny Depp: *** | | | | | |
| 7 | News | Fortune | Two-Kind | Boy-World | Sabrina | Brothers | 20/20 | News | Seinfeld | Nightline | |
| 8 | Fam. Mat. | Fam. Mat. | Movie: Decalved (1991) | Goldie Hawn, John Heard: *** | News | MacGyver | News | MacGyver | Heat | | |
| 9 | News | Home Imp. | Kids Say | Candice C. | Buddy Faro | Nash Bridges | News | (3:5) Late Show | | | |
| 10 | Mad | Simpsons | Brimstone | Millennium | Simpsons | M*A*S*H | Frasier | Cops | Real TV | | |
| 11 | Sportstr. | NASCAR Racing Rivalries | NASCAR | NASCAR Winston Cup Awards | Sportscenter | NFL | | | | | |
| 12 | Outer Limits | Movie: Starship Troopers | Casper Van Dien: *** 'R' | (1:5) Stargate SG-1 | Dead Man's | (4:5) Outer Limits | | | | | |
| 13 | Inside the NFL | Movie: Alien 3 | Sigourney Weaver: *** 'R' | Movie: Renegade Force | Michael Rooker: (3:5) | Movie: Hostile Intent | | | | | |
| 14 | Movie: Naked Gun 2 | Movie: Vig Peter Falk: 'NR' | Edge | Movie: Beverly Hills Cop | Eddie Murphy: *** 'R' | Emmanuelle | | | | | |
| 15 | Movie: The Whisperers | Movie: The Barefoot Contessa (1954) | Ava Gardner: *** | Movie: The Carpetbaggers (1964) | Carroll Baker: *** | | | | | | |
| 16 | Waltons | History-Southern Gospel | Memories XI | Country Honors | Dallas | Dukes | | | | | |
| 17 | Gimme Shelter | Wild Discovery | News | Storm | Mysteries-Unexplained | Justice Files | Wild Disc | | | | |
| 18 | Law & Order | Biography | Rise of Christianity: The First Thousand Years | Law & Order | Biography | | | | | | |
| 19 | Party of Five | Chicago Hope | Movie: Once in a Lifetime (1994) | Lindsay Wagner: ** | Attitudes | Golden Girls | Golden Girls | | | | |
| 20 | Last Word | Sports | Big 12 Champ. Showcase | Boxing Fight Time | FOX Sports News | Sports | | | | | |
| 21 | ER | Movie: Overboard (1987) | Goldie Hawn, Kurt Russell: ***½ | Movie: Jaws (1975) | Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw: **** | | | | | | |
| 22 | Doug | Rugrats | Kablam! | Animorphs | Brady | Wonder Yrs. | I Love Lucy | I Love Lucy | I Love Lucy | M.T. Moore | |
| 23 | Xena: Warrior Princess | Walker, Texas Ranger | Movie: Kindergarten Cop (1990) | ** | Movie: Psycho IV: The Beginning (1990) | | | | | | |
| 24 | Mi Pequena Travessa | Vivo por Elena | Desencuentro | María | Derbez | P. Impacto | Noticiero | Al Ritmo | | | |
| 25 | 20th Century | First Draft Riots | Great Minds of American | Gettysburg: Victory at All Cost | | Draft Riots | | | | | |
| 26 | An. Court | AnimalDr | Vets | Vets | Equestrian World | Equestrian Games | Vets | Vets | Equestrian | | |

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5

| | 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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| 2 | Business | Business | Wash. Week | Wall St | Quilting | Sewing | Quilt | Sewing | Thal Culina | Garden | Papln |
| 3 | Pee-wee | Candy | All Dogs Go | Enigma | Sandiego | Sw. Valley | Pretenders | Countdown | Ghostbstrs | Harveytoon | Heathcliff |
| 4 | Couch | Critter | Science Guy | Saved-Bell | Hang Time | One World | City Guys | Hang Time | Inside Stuff | Paired Prog. | Movie: |
| 5 | Bear | Rolie Polie | PB & J Otter | Amazing | Blutooes | Movie: Ferngully... the Last Rainforest | Movie: Legend (1985) | Tom Cruise: ***½ | Movie: Homeland Bound | | |
| 6 | 3's Co. | Funnies | Funnies | Funnies | National Geographic Explorer | | | | | | |
| 7 | Hercules | Doug | Doug | Recess | Pepper Ann | Bugs & T. | Bugs & T. | 101Dalmts | Pooh | Squiggle | Football |
| 8 | Farm Report | Business | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Outdoor | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Soul Train | Movie: | | |
| 9 | CBS News Sat. | News | Wild About | Franklin | Rhino | Anatole | Bunnies | Rhino | College Football Army vs. Navy | | |
| 10 | Potato Head | Rangers | Godzilla | Godzilla | Godzilla | Godzilla | Godzilla | Godzilla | Under the Helmet | Paired Prog. | |
| 11 | Walkers | Sportsman | Spanish Fly | Photo Safari | Sportscenter Saturday | College Gameday | College Basketball Temple at Indiana | | | | |
| 12 | Movie: Doctor Dolittle 'G' | (1:5) Movie: Dreamrider | Matthew Genak: 'PG' | Movie: Who's Harry Crumb? | John Candy: (5) Movie: 12 Angry Men *** | | | | | | |
| 13 | Inventors' Specials | (1:5) Movie: Crocodile Dundee | Paul Hogan: 'PG-13' | Inside the NFL | Movie: Ferris Bueller's Day Off | 'PG-13' | | | | | |
| 14 | Movie: Last of the Dogmen | Tom Berenger: ** 'PG' | Movie: How Do I Love Thee? | Jackie Gleason: ** 'GP' | Movie: Beavis, Butt | | | | | | |
| 15 | Movie: It Should Happen to You (1954) | Movie: Platinum Blonde (1931) | *** | Movie: The Naked Spur (1953) | James Stewart: *** | Movie: | | | | | |
| 16 | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Outdoors | Grigby | Fishing | Ducks | Shooter | Fishin' | In-Fish | Outdoors | Rodeo |
| 17 | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Great Chefs | Epicurious | Design | Great Chefs | Epicurious | Our Favorite Fun Food | News | | |
| 18 | Movie: Cockslell | Guide to Historic Homes | America's Castles | Biography International | Sink the Bismarck! | | | | | | |
| 19 | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. |
| 20 | Sports | Sports | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | High School Extra | Paired Prog. | Big 12 Show | Cowboys | Football | Golf | |
| 21 | How the West Was Won | Wild, Wild West | Adv. of Brisco County, Jr. | Due South | Movie: A Fish Called Wanda (1988) | *** | | | | | |
| 22 | Nicktoons Marathon | Nicktoons Marathon | Tiny Toon | Tiny Toon | Looney | | | | | | |
| 23 | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | World Wrestling Live Wire | Pacific Blue | Baywatch | Skating | | | |
| 24 | Plaza Sesamo | Tigritos T.V. | Giorgiomania | Complices | Cuchufleta | Onda Max | | | | | |
| 25 | History Showcase | Automobiles | Trains Unlimited | Great Ships | Tales of the Gun | Weapons | | | | | |
| 26 | Lassie | Lassie | Petcaters | Pet Con. | Pet Line | Petsburgh | Amazing | All Bird TV | Horse Tales | Breed | Good Dog |

| | 12:30 | 1 PM | 1:30 | 2 PM | 2:30 | 3 PM | 3:30 | 4 PM | 4:30 | 5 PM | 5:30 |
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| 2 | Old House | Workshop | Hometime | MotorWeek | Red Green | Tracks | All Aboard | Trailside | Best Travels in Europe | | |
| 3 | Mouse | Eek!stravag | Bad Dog | Monster | Walter M. | 3 Friends | Countdown | Pinocchio's Christmas | Movie: Clarence (1990) | ** | |
| 4 | Movie: Against Her Will | Golf Father/Son Challenge | Famous | Flash | Baby-Sitters | Torkelans | Bug Juice | Bug's Life | Flash | | |
| 5 | (12:20) Movie: Brink! Erik von Detten. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Movie: The Last Starfighter (1984) | Robert Preston: *** | Movie: Spaceballs (1987) | Mel Brooks, John Candy: **½ | (5:05) WCW Saturday Night | | | | | | |
| 7 | College Football Western Athletic Conference Championship Game -- Teams TBA | College Football: Big 12 Champ. -- Kan. St. vs. Texas A&M | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | (12:30) Movie: ** Flashback (1990) | Xena: Warrior Princess | Hercules-Jrmys. | Crow: Stairway to Heaven | Earth: Final Conflict | | | | | | |
| 9 | (11:00) College Football Army vs. Navy | College Basketball Michigan State at Connecticut or Miami at Kentucky | Ice Talk | CBS News | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. | Paired Prog. |
| 11 | Basketball | College Football UCLA at Miami | PGA Golf J.C. Penney Classic -- Third Round | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | Movie: ** 12 Angry Men | Dead Man's | Behind | Outer Limits | Movie: Big and Hairy | Richard Thomas: (5:5) Movie: My Girl (1991) | | | | | |
| 13 | (4:5) Movie: The Beautician and the Beast ** 'PG' | Inventors' Specials | Movie: Adventures in Babysitting | *** | Movie: Crocodile Dundee | | | | | | |
| 14 | Movie: Nutcracker Pr. | Movie: To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday | (1:5) Movie: Little Nikita | Sidney Poller: ** 'PG' | Movie: Three Wishes | 'PG' | | | | | |
| 15 | (12:00) Movie: Stand and Deliver (1987) | Movie: Meet Me in St. Louis (1944) | Mary Astor: ***½ | Movie: Coogan's Bluff (1968) | Clint Eastwood: *** | | | | | | |
| 16 | Rodeo | Motor Trend | Hot Rod TV | Mechanic | NASCAR | Auto Racing: ASA's Kansas City Excitement 300 | Inside NASCAR | | | | |
| 17 | Storm | Mysterious | Mysterious | Discover Magazine | Anatomy of an Alien | Mysteries-Unexplained | Ultimate Guide | | | | |
| 18 | Bismarck | New Explorers | Investigative Reports | Inside Story | American Justice | City Confidential | | | | | |
| 19 | Attitudes | Movie: Daughter of the Streets (1990) | Roxana Zal ** | Movie: The Burning Bed (1984) | Farah Fawcett: *** | Movie: Million Dollar | | | | | |
| 20 | Golf Million Dollar Classic -- Third Round | College Basketball Nevada-Las Vegas at Arizona State | College Basketball Rhode Island at California | | | | | | | | |
| 21 | Movie: Fish-Wanda | (20) Movie: Escape From Alcatraz (1979) | Clint Eastwood: *** | Movie: Jaws (1975) | Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw: **** | | | | | | |
| 22 | Looney | You Do | Crazy Kids | Gadget | Hey Dude | Pete & Pete | You're On! | You're On! | Wonder Yrs. | Brady | Rocko's Life |
| 23 | (12:00) Figure Skating Improv-Ice | Movie: Dead Husband (1998) | Nicolette Sheridan. | Movie: Kindergarten Cop | | | | | | | |
| 24 | Control | Caliente | Festival Internacional OTI de la Cancion 1998 | Duro y Directo | Lante Loco | Noticiero | | | | | |
| 25 | Weapons | Road to Infamy: Cntdown | Air Combat | Masters of War | Sworn to Secrecy | History Undercover | | | | | |
| 26 | An. Court | An. Court | Petcaters | Pet Con. | Pet Line | Petsburgh | Amazing | All Bird TV | Horse Tales | Breed | Good Dog |

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| 2 | People's Pharmacy | Mias Patti Page: The Singing Rage | Frank Patterson | Roy Orbison & Friends | Psychology | | | | | | |
| 3 | (5:00) Movie: ** Clarence | Movie: The Man in the Santa Claus Suit (1979) | **½ | Movie: Christmas Eve (1986) | Loretta Young: *** | Christmas | | | | | |
| 4 | News | Criminals | Movie: Getting Even With Dad (1994) | Ted Danson: ** | Profiler | News | Coaches | Cowboys | | | |
| 5 | Movie: George of the Jungle **½ 'PG' | (3:5) Holidays in Concert | (3:5) Movie: George of the Jungle 'PG' | (5:05) Holidays in Concert | Zorro | | | | | | |
| 6 | WCW Saturday Night | (5:05) Movie: Goldfinger (1964) | Sean Connery, Gert Frobe: **** | (3:5) Movie: The Living Daylights (1987) | *** | | | | | | |
| 7 | (3:30) College Football | College Football Southeastern Conference Championship Game -- Teams TBA | News | Cheers | Cheers | | | | | | |
| 8 | Malibu, CA | Ill. Luckiest | Movie: Honey, I Blew Up the Kid (1992) | **½ | News | Coach | Movie: Fire Birds (1990) | | | | |
| 9 | News | Coach | Early Edition | Martial Law | Walker, Texas Ranger | News | Walker, Texas Ranger | | | | |
| 10 | Xena: Warrior Princess | Cops | Cops | America's Most Wanted | X-Files | Mad TV | NYPD Blue | | | | |
| 11 | College Basketball North Carolina State at Duke | College Basketball Arkansas at Oklahoma | Sportscenter | Superbouts | | | | | | | |
| 12 | (5:05) Movie: My Girl 'PG' | Movie: My Best Friend's Wedding | | | | | | | | | |

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DAVID AND SAUL
IN THE DARK OF NIGHT, DAVID AND ABISHAI HAVE CREEPT INTO SAUL'S CAMP, PAST SLEEPING SENTRIES, AND NOW THEY STAND ABOVE THE KING, HIMSELF...

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GOD HATH DELIVERED THINE ENEMY INTO THINE HAND THIS DAY...

...LET ME NOW SMITE HIM WITH HIS OWN SPEAR, I PRAY THEE! I WILL PIN HIM TO THE EARTH—AND IT WILL NOT BE NECESSARY TO SMITE HIM A SECOND TIME!

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 FQK FIOCJYO BQ FKLOIZBUA.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of J. B. Shirley, Deceased, were issued on December 2, 1998, in Cause No. PR-4440, pending in the County Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas, to: GERALD WAYNE SHIRLEY.

The residence of the Independent Executor is 6813 Still Meadow Circle, North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas 76180; the post office address is: c/o Rex W. Easterwood, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 273, Hereford, Texas 79045-0273.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 2nd day of December, 1998.
 By: Rex Easterwood
 Attorney for the Estate

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioner's Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas will open bid proposals at 9:00 AM on January 25, 1999, for the employee health insurance program of Deaf Smith County. The proposals should include deductible amounts of \$500, \$1,000, and \$2,000. Out-of-pocket cost to employees of \$5,000 and \$10,000. Pharmacy card limits of \$3 name brand \$5 generic, \$10/\$15, and \$15/\$20. Proposals should include employee only coverage, dependant coverage, and family coverage amounts. Details of limitations on coverage, pre-existing conditions, and overall limits on coverage should be included. Detail employee census information and prior claims history may be obtained by contacting Nan Rogers, County Treasurer. The Commissioners reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.

INSIDE

Global economic crisis

Brazil Fears rise; Congress refuses to approve austerity measures

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) — Lawmakers' failure to pass a key measure in the government's austerity package signals growing public discontent with the belt-tightening needed to shore up Brazil's ailing economy, analysts said Thursday.

Congress voted Wednesday to block a proposal to raise the monthly social security contributions of public workers and, for the first time, collect them from retired civil servants.

The measure's defeat hit financial markets hard on Thursday. The Sao Paulo stock exchange's Bovespa Index closed down 8.8 percent after plunging 5 percent within the first five minutes of trading. Rio de Janeiro's smaller stock exchange closed down 8.9 percent.

"It was a negative surprise for the market, as everything indicated the government would win this vote," said Jorge Simino, a director with Unibanco Asset Management.

The proposal turned down by Congress was part of Brazil's Fiscal Stability Plan, the basis of a \$41.5 billion international aid package announced by the International Monetary Fund on Nov. 13.

In late October, the government unveiled a mix of taxes and spending cuts in a bid to save nearly \$24 billion in 1999 and \$80 billion by 2002.

"With recession and unemployment looming, there is a growing uneasiness among the population," said Alexandre Barros, a Brasilia-based consultant.

"In rejecting the proposal, congressmen reflected their constituencies' anxiety and discontent."

He said the government has no one to blame but itself.

"The government has not done enough to stitch together the political and popular support needed for the approval of the highly unpopular measures contained in the austerity package," he said.

In turning down the proposal, lawmakers signaled to the government that "it will have to negotiate approval of the measures," possibly weakening the overall package, Barros said.

Presidential spokesman Sergio Amaral said Wednesday's defeat will require extra cuts in public works and will deprive states of some federal funding.

It will also delay a reduction in interest rates, he said. Rates were increased to 50 percent in August to stop a rapid outflow of dollars and have been lowered slowly since then.

Japan Economy shrinks; as recession deepens

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's economy has sunk deeper into recession, shrinking at an annual rate of 2.6 percent in the latest quarter to mark a startling four consecutive quarters of contraction.

The latest sign of weakness from Tokyo means other struggling Asian nations will have to wait even longer for Japan, normally the strongest economy in the region, to help pull its neighbors out of an economic slump.

Japan's gross domestic product — a measure of all goods and services produced — slid 0.7 percent in the three months from July through September compared to the previous quarter, the government reported.

It was the first time the economy has shrunk for four consecutive quarters since the government started compiling growth statistics in 1955, and showed Japan remains mired in its worst recession since World War II.

The Asian economic slowdown is continuing to be felt in the United States. On Tuesday, Boeing Co. announced an additional 20,000 job cuts — on top of 28,000 announced earlier — partially because of a sharp dropoff in orders from Asia. Boeing, one of the biggest exporters in the United States, said it expects the Asian slowdown to last up to five more years.

Japan's top economic official, Economic Planning Agency head Taichi Sakaiya, said at a news conference Thursday that the economy was unlikely to meet a government target for minus 1.8 percent growth in the fiscal year ending next March.

But he said the worst may be over. "These figures actually were a little better than I expected," he said.

Many private sector economists were less confident. "This talk about bottoming out is extremely premature," said Ron Bevacqua, economist in the Tokyo office of Merrill Lynch, who expects Japan's economy to shrink 2.1 percent in the current fiscal year.

The government has tried to jump-start the economy with enormous investment in public works projects and temporary tax relief. Its latest stimulus package totals a record \$201 billion.

But consumer spending, which accounts for two-thirds of the overall economy, remains sluggish as people pinch their purse strings amid growing fears about job security and falling incomes.

Japanese corporations also have trimmed outlays on new plants and equipment.

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Los bancos de alimentos comparten la generosidad de los Texanos

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| North Texas/Dallas | 14.7 |
| Tarrant Area/Fort Worth | 13.4 |
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| Rio Grande Valley/McAllen | 6.6 |
| South Plains/Lubbock | 6.0 |
| Capital Area/Austin | 5.4 |
| Odessa/El Paso/Alpine/Big Spring | 4.5 |
| Regional East Texas/Tyler | 4.0 |
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| Food Bank/Abilene | 2.7 |
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| Community Food Bank/Victoria | 2.0 |
| Caritas-Food for People/Waco | 1.9 |
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| Concho Valley/San Angelo | 1.0 |
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| Brazos/College Station | .7 |

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Keeping an eye on Texas

Food banks share Texas' bounty

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Urich has smooth sailing

NEW YORK — It's smooth sailing for Robert Urich in both his personal and professional lives.

His UPN television show, "Love Boat, the Next Wave," has been renewed for six more episodes, and his health has hit calm seas.

"It's the perfect job for me at this point in my life ... after the medical event," Urich told the Associated Press on Thursday.

The "medical event" was Urich being diagnosed two years ago with synovial sarcoma, a rare cancer that affects joints.

A recent checkup gave him a clean bill of health, said the actor, who turns 52 on Dec. 19.

Urich was in New York with his wife, actress Heather Menzies. She was presented with the Mozart Medal for her role as Louisa in the film version of "The Sound of Music."

Madonna selling Miami mansion

MIAMI — First it was Sylvester Stallone. Now Madonna appears to be the next superstar moving out of her Florida digs.

The *New York Daily News* reported Thursday that Madonna's friend, Rosie O'Donnell, is buying the singer's \$6 million mansion in ritzy Biscayne Bay.

A spokeswoman for the talk show hostess would not say if the deal was done, just that talks were under way.

"It looks like she is going to buy it, but I don't know for how much," said Jennifer Glaisek of O'Donnell's public relations firm.

Madonna's property on well-to-do Brickell is just south of downtown and north of Coconut Grove.

Nearby, Stallone put his 11.7-acre property on the market in Aug. 1997, seeking \$27.5 million. Moving trucks packed up possessions from the home Thursday.

Comic Dangerfield isn't amused

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Rodney Dangerfield found nothing funny about an Internet site that allegedly used his likeness without permission.

The comedian reached a settlement with Epoch Networks Inc. after suing the company for \$2.8 million. The 77-year-old claimed Epoch pirated his name and likeness for its own commercial purposes.

The company denied the allegations and admitted no wrongdoing in last week's settlement. Terms were not disclosed.

Epoch's president, Scott Purcell, said only that he and Dangerfield decided to "agree to disagree."

In a statement through his lawyer, Dangerfield said: "the lawsuit and the settlement send a message to everyone on the Internet that the system works and can protect celebrity rights."

Dangerfield contracted with Epoch to operate his Web site in 1995. He has since switched Internet service companies.

Blades keeping his day job

PANAMA CITY, Panama — Ruben Blades may be active in Panamanian politics, but he's not about to give up his day job.

Some critics in his native Panama say the international singer and actor spends too much time in California entertaining to be a political leader in the country. However, Blades said he will continue performing.

"Work takes me out of the country ... and nobody can prohibit me from working," Blades said Thursday.

Last week, the party Blades helped found, Papa Egoro, elected him as its president. Blades ran for the Panamanian presidency in 1994 and finished third. He says he no longer has presidential ambitions but wants to remain active in politics.

Ian has benign tumor removed

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Janis Ian, who sang the 1975 smash "At Seventeen," is recovering from surgery to remove a benign liver tumor.

Doctors in the Miami area removed the tumor Wednesday during a hour-long operation, said Karen Sternberg, Ian's Nashville-based spokeswoman.

"It went so well, they didn't have to do a blood transfusion, which is rare in this type of operation," Sternberg said.

Ian plans to stay in the hospital for about a week and will resume performing Jan. 23. Two days later, she is scheduled to be in the lineup at Madison Square Garden for a concert billed as a "History of Women in Music."

Ian, 47, won a Grammy for "At Seventeen," a ballad of teenage despair.

Burglars hit Estefan's home

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — About \$250,000 in antique watches were stolen from the home of Gloria Estefan and husband Emilio while they were on vacation.

While police didn't specify what was stolen, WSVN-TV reported the watches were taken from a locked bedroom closet.

There was no apparent sign of forced entry to the couple's palatial gated estate on Miami's Star Island, police said Thursday. Nor was there evidence the closet had been broken into, WSVN said.

"At this time we're interviewing anybody who had knowledge of Mr. Estefan's personal property which will include employees of the Estefan organization," said Al Boza, a police spokesman.

The Cuban-born singer reported the theft after the Thanksgiving holiday and police believe the watches were taken between Nov. 9 and Nov. 27.

"It's a private matter," Estefan said through a spokesman.

Singer not contrite about arrest

LOS ANGELES (AP) — George Michael doesn't feel in the least contrite about his arrest for a lewd act in a park bathroom.

"Contrite for what?" the British-born pop singer said in Thursday's *USA Today*. "Everyone expected me to be devastated because I've been such a private person. I wasn't."

Michael, who acknowledged he was gay after the incident, said he was entrapped by overzealous police April 7 and wants to tell his side of the story.

He said he was in his car when "I saw this guy cruising, an undercover cop who was basically pretending to cruise. He was very cute; he wasn't Karl Malden. I didn't get out of my car until everyone left the park. Then I followed him in. I don't want to go into details."

Michael pleaded no contest to lewd conduct, paid an \$810 fine and was ordered to perform 80 hours of community service.

"Cookie's Fortune" set for film festival

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Robert Altman's murder-mystery comedy "Cookie's Fortune" will open next year's Sundance Film Festival.

The film starring Laura Dern, Glenn Close and others will be shown Jan. 21 at Abravanel Hall, organizers said Wednesday.

In the 10 days following opening night, 12,000 people are expected to see 114 feature films.

Dole 2000?

Elizabeth, not Bob, being touted for GOP mantle

WASHINGTON (AP) — Elizabeth Dole has said she won't seek the presidency, but that hasn't quelled speculation about her political future.

Admirers of Mrs. Dole, president of the American Red Cross and wife of 1996 GOP presidential candidate Bob Dole, are putting in motion a strategy to encourage her to run in 2000.

Leading the "Draft Elizabeth Dole" effort is Republican activist Earl Cox, who also tried to draft Colin Powell for a White House run.

Cox has set up headquarters in a renovated railroad depot in Mrs. Dole's hometown, Salisbury, N.C., and plans to form similar operations this month in her husband's home state, Kansas, he said in letters sent recently to state Republican chairmen.

The National Draft Elizabeth Dole 2000 campaign has filed federal candidate paperwork to begin raising funds and has set an official kickoff for Jan. 23 in Salisbury. Organizers plan to present Mrs. Dole with a petition next

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Earl Cox, Republican activist

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Another leader of the effort is Margaret Kluttz, former mayor of Salisbury.

The group is seeking support from GOP members of Congress and county Republican chairmen in Kansas, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

Mrs. Dole often is mentioned as a possible Republican nominee for president or vice president. A CNN-USA Today Gallup poll in May showed Texas Gov. George W.



Elizabeth Dole

Bush as the leading Republican presidential candidate and placed her second, ahead of former Vice President Dan Quayle and former vice presidential candidate Jack Kemp. Her resume includes Cabinet positions in the Reagan

and Bush administrations, as well as her current post with the Red Cross. Many Republicans also view her as someone who fuses high name recognition with the potential to unite religious and fiscal conservatives.

In an interview early this year, she said: "I've said I'm not going to run, and I have no plans to run." But she said in a September speech in St. Joseph, Mo.: "I guess I've learned in this world never to say never."

Her Oprah Winfrey-style stumping was an enduring image from the presidential campaign her husband lost in 1996 — as was her roaring motorcycle entrance onto "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno," when she donned a helmet and black "Bikers for Bob" leather jacket.

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