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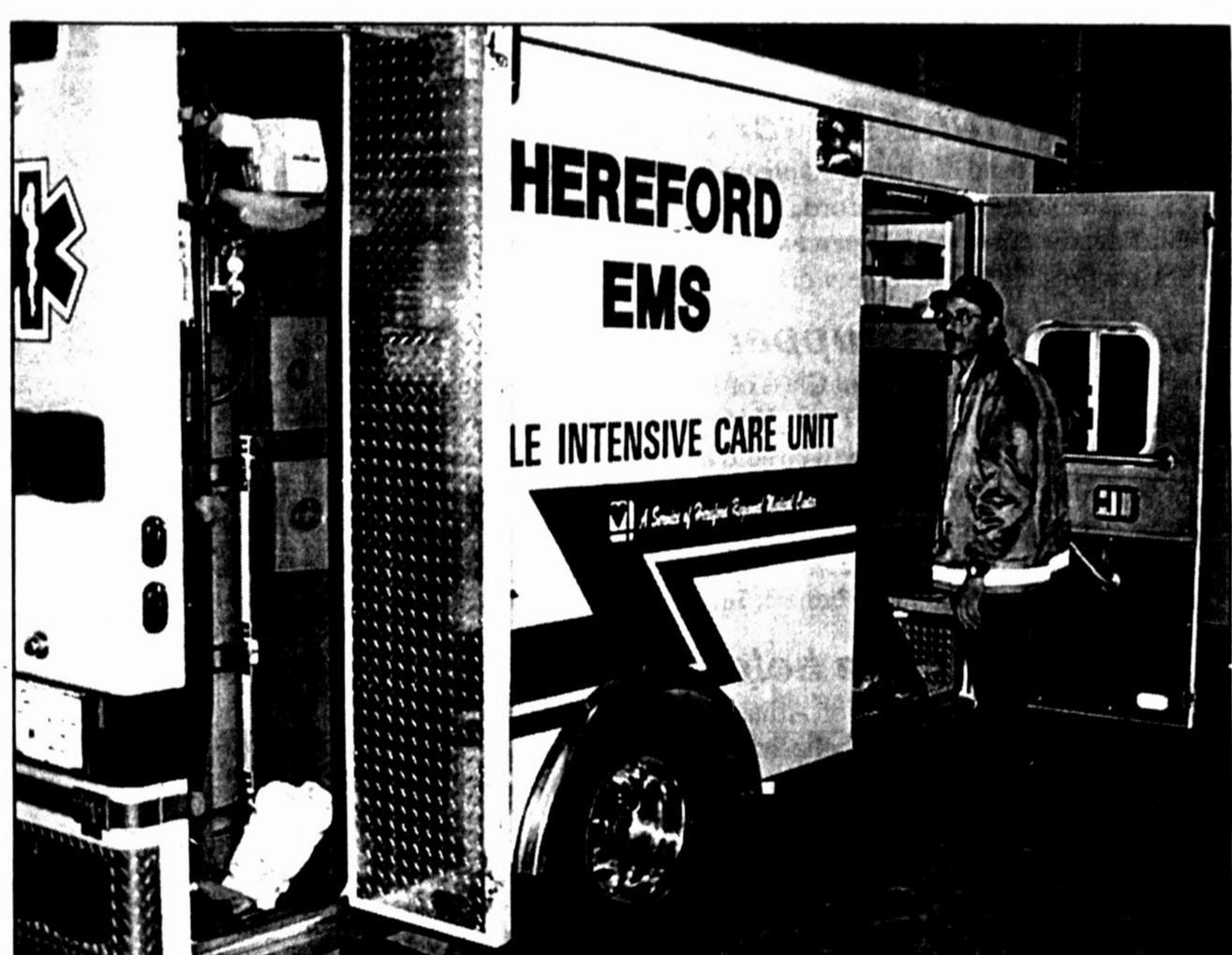
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Pair hurt in flash fire working on gas line Railroad Commission conducting probe

**By WILLIAM SEELEY
Staff Writer**
Two local men contracted by Energas Co. to disconnect natural gas service in the 300 block of Avenue J on Tuesday morning were injured, one seriously, by a flash fire from the gas line on which they worked, according to Acie Boyd, Energas district manager in Hereford.
Jessie Melanato, 33, was air lifted to University Medical Center's Burn Unit in Lubbock with second and third degree burns on his face and neck, and remains in "satisfactory condition," according to Annetta Currington of Currington Plumbing in Levelland, the pair's employer.

Melanato was moved from intensive care to a private room on Wednesday, and will likely be released within a week, Currington said.
Santiago Guzman, 47, sustained burns to his face, and was released from Hereford Regional Medical Center after emergency room treatment, Currington said.
The cause of the blast is as yet unknown but is under investigation by the Texas Railroad Commission, an Energas official said this morning.
The TRC investigator "showed up (Tuesday afternoon), took pictures, sampled the gas and left," said Lewis

Binswanger, Energas vice president of operations in Lubbock.
Andy Ruth, a TRC spokesman in the agency's Austin office, this morning said the investigators' report will not be available until later today or tomorrow, provided that no further testing is required.
Boyd, of the local Energas office, said the men were performing a routine disconnection. "It's unusual" that a disconnection would result in a flash fire, he said.
Currington agreed. She said her company performs disconnection services for Energas "on a daily basis," and in 30 years this is the first accident.



New ambulance arrives

Joe Hamby, director of Hereford EMS, stands at the side door of the newest ambulance in the department's fleet. This 1990 model was purchased used on Sept. 20 and placed in service five days later. Hamby said the unit has plenty of space to store equipment and supplies for treating patients at emergency scenes and en route to the hospital. See related photo, Page 2.

New ambulance offers lots of room to take care of patients

**By GARRY WESNER
Managing Editor**
Residents of Hereford may have seen a new sight whizzing past them the past few days -- a large white ambulance, unfamiliar appearance but bearing the same maroon-and-white color scheme of the rest of the Hereford EMS fleet.
The vehicle is the newest addition to that fleet, having been put into service scant days after the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board of directors approved expenditure of \$20,000 for the used vehicle.
The ambulance, a 1990 model that had been owned by TLC Investments for Cardiologists Associates in Lubbock, came to Hereford with a mere 45,000 miles on it.
"It's in top-notch, perfect mechanical condition," Hereford EMS director Joe Hamby said Wednesday.
Hamby got approval to purchase the ambulance on Sept. 19. Less than 12 hours after the board meeting

adjourned, Hamby was on his way to Lubbock -- check in hand -- to finalize the deal.
In proposing the deal, Hamby told directors that he had the ambulance appraised at \$28,000, and that the sellers were going to include an additional \$8,000 worth of equipment.
The ambulance is a "Mobile Intensive Care Unit," which, Hamby said, means Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians can "do whatever we need to do" to save the life of a patient.
There is plenty of room inside the box -- the actual work area of the ambulance -- to transport two patients and crews, with room enough for both crews to administer emergency treatment.
Inside the box, shelves line one wall -- except where a small seat is positioned for use by a paramedic or EMT while treating a patient strapped to a gurney locked onto the floor -- the primary patient position.

An upholstered seat at the patient's head is for a second person to sit while monitoring the patient's vital signs and keeping in radio contact with hospitals and other units.
Shelves are also mounted above the second bed area. A special stretcher is used for that bed and clamps directly into the ambulance wall.
Monitoring equipment is mounted at the front of the box.
Hamby said the set-up is a far cry from ambulances of old.
"The days of throwing them in a truck and hauling them to the hospital are long gone," he said. "People expect more."
Hamby -- wasting no time in getting his new ambulance -- drove it home to Hereford from Lubbock as soon as the deal was completed.
He then just had to prepare it for regular service.
"The work it required was me
(See AMBULANCE, Page 2)

Formerly parched soil now too wet for farmers to work

**By MARK BABINECK
Associated Press Writer**
DARROUZETT, Texas (AP) - The fickle nature of farming probably made it inevitable: Growers who had suffered under the weight of a three-year drought anxiously waited last month for rain ... to stop.
The very soil that parched much of Texas' wheat crop last spring turned so soggy earlier last month that farmers couldn't get into their muddy fields to plant wheat, reap hay or pick cotton.
"Anytime it dries up you want to get out there and get the weeds under control," said Karen Terrell, manager of Equity Country Inc., the grain elevator in this far northeastern Panhandle hamlet. "Normally the

fields are clean this time of year."
Mrs. Terrell and others in the state's wheat belt are quietly optimistic that three years of harvest-devastating drought has ended.
A bone-dry winter and spring gave way to torrential late summer rains, dousing some dire predictions that Texas was heading for a repeat of the 1950s drought, the worst on record.
"Yeah, they were talking about seven years of drought and all that baloney," said Gerald North, chairman of Texas A&M's Department of Meteorology. "Right now, there's simply no way to predict things out beyond a week."
North added that the term "drought" generally deals with soil conditions, which can remain good

even through dry spells. The cool late summer that accompanied the rains had helped to slow evaporation, an added plus for farms, ranches and lakes.
However, joy in the agricultural community should be tempered with extreme caution in cities and towns that rely on the state's 77 reservoirs, where water levels have dropped steadily since early 1995.
"I don't think we can really say we're completely out of it," said Mike Personett, director of the local and regional assistance division of the Texas Water Development Board. "When you look at the drought of the 1950s, which is the drought we measure all droughts against, it doesn't mean it never rained. We had two or three wet years in that period, but they were bracketed by drought."
The TDWB's drought severity index shows rainfall and soil conditions are at near normal levels, compared to the severe drought the index indicated in mid-August.
Drought tends to hit farmers first, Personett said, but they also see it break first once the rain starts falling.
While Rio Grande reservoirs, the Highland Lakes near Austin and the Toledo Bend Reservoir on the Texas-Louisiana border remain well below capacity, traditionally dry West Texas is faring better. Lake Meredith, which supplies 11 cities, including Lubbock and Amarillo, is at its highest level since 1983.

State drought conditions

By The Associated Press
The Texas Water Development Board monitors the ongoing drought across the state using a formula called the Palmer Drought Severity Index, which is based on rainfall, soil conditions and other factors.
As of Aug. 10, most of Central, North and East Texas was experiencing severe to extreme drought conditions, the survey reported. Heavy rainfall statewide in the seven weeks since has ended drought conditions in Texas, the state reported. Around the state:
-The area that includes Austin and San Antonio is considered to be in an "incipient" drought, the mildest level on the chart. It is the only one of 10 regions the TWDB monitors that remains in any sort of drought.
-The High Plains area of far northwest Texas was in the best shape in August in an incipient drought. Continuing rains have made the region "normal to wet," a designation shared with the Lower Rio Grande Valley.
-Rainfall and soil moisture levels constitute "near normal" conditions in the rest of the state.

Mannings to be honored at reception

Farewell event set Sunday afternoon; couple moving to Oklahoma City



Doug and Barbara Manning

**BY SPEEDY NIEMAN
Publisher-Editor**
When Doug and Barbara Manning pack up and move to Oklahoma City later this week, they'll be looking back at a 23-year love affair with Hustlin' Hereford.
So, it is with mixed emotions that the couple attends a reception in their honor Sunday from 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the Fellowship of Believers Church at 245 N. Kingwood. Without doubt, many friends will drop by to wish them well.
"It was not an easy decision and there is a downside to making the move," said Manning, an author, speaker and minister whose business carries him all across the United States and to some foreign countries.
Manning and his wife, Barbara, moved their company, In-Sight Books, to Oklahoma City and opened that office on Sept. 21. Two of their daughters live in Oklahoma City and that, says Manning, is what precipitated the move.
"We had talked about bringing the girls into the business for some time, and they recently became available." He added that the business had grown to a point where it can be carried on in the future without him.
"So much of the business involves direct mail that we could operate anywhere. But we were not far from the airport here and we loved

Hereford, the weather, our friends, and our involvement in the Fellowship of Believers Church.
"We put down roots here. After all, I buried both of my parents here," said Manning.
He and his wife have been very involved in the community. The family moved here in July, 1973 when he became the pastor of First Baptist Church. In July, 1983, he decided to leave his 28-year career as a pastor to take on a fulltime speaking and writing career.
By that time, the couple had become involved in the community in many areas. Doug was active in chamber of commerce activities and, for a number of years was co-host of the Chamber Fun Breakfast. He also served on the chamber board of directors.
Manning also found time to work with the United Way campaigns, helped spearhead the Hereford Senior Citizen funding campaign for the new facility, and worked as a volunteer with the Harrington Cancer Center.
Manning also found time to write a weekly column, "The Penultimate Word," for The Hereford Brand. It revealed his exceptional way of dealing with life's serious side through humor and honesty. The column ran for several years and won an award in a West Texas Press Association better newspaper contest.

He was named Hereford's Citizen of the Year for 1980, and he is the recipient of a Bull Chip award. Seven years ago, he agreed to minister again--parttime--as he became the worship leader at Fellowship of Believers Church.
Barbara taught piano lessons up until this year, and has been active in La Madre Mia Study Club and Hereford Music Club. She has served as pianist at Fellowship of Believers. She also works with Doug in their business.
Working from the In-Sight Books office at 805 Main St. and from his office at home, Manning plunged into his writing and an extensive speaking tour across the country.
His first book, "Don't Take My Grief Away from Me," was written after the 18-month-old daughter of close friends died suddenly. The impact on the mother had an impact on Manning's decision to study grief.
When the child died, the young mother became hysterical, Manning recalled. As people were trying to get her to calm down, she turned to them and said, "Don't take my grief from me. I deserve it; I'm going to have around the country."
His book gently walks a person through the grieving process, covering such topics as the funeral and family, while assuring the reader that he or she is normal for having

feelings of guilt, anger and resentment during the grieving period.
His second book, "When Love Gets Tough: The Nursing Home Decision," deals with issues a person faces when caring for elderly parents. He has also authored a series of books to walk families through the first year after a death.
Other titles include "The Gift of Significance," another book dealing with grief, and "The Quiet Winner," a book about listening skills.
He now has 17 titles, many dealing with grief and caring for elderly parents. His business has expanded to include audio and video tape programs, as well as such products for other specialized speakers. Besides his 8 audio tapes and 12 videos, he has produced videos for a specialist on Alzheimer's Disease and another for a program on recovering from strokes.
His seminars and personal appearance are still growing. He usually travels from September through December and from late January through May or June.
Manning, tired of flying and rental cars, has purchased an RV and will try to schedule trips so he can drive around the country.
"Me and John Madden," quipped Manning, referring to the pro football TV announcer who hates flying and has a big traveling home.
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Local Roundup

Mercury to rise on Friday

Hereford's high temperature on Wednesday -- 65 degrees -- was recorded at 10 a.m., before a cold front moved into the city, sending readings plunging. The overnight low recorded by KPAN Radio, was 45 degrees. For tonight, look for partly cloudy skies this evening, becoming cloudy with a low in the mid-40s and south winds of 5-15 mph. Friday will be partly cloudy and warmer with a high of 70-75 degrees and southwest winds of 10-15 mph.

Medical fund set for Brown

A medical fund has been established at Hereford State Bank for Lester Brown of Hereford. Brown suffered second- and third-degree burns over 30 percent of his body in a fire Monday at Charlie's Tire, where he works.

Junior Class supper set Friday

The Hereford High School Class of 1998 will host the Junior Class supper from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday in the Hereford Junior High cafeteria. The supper will be held before the Herd football game against Pampa High School. Cost to attend is \$4 per person at the door, and \$4.50 per person for take-out. The menu will be chili, beans, cheese, coleslaw, cornbread, onions, pickles and cobbler. Proceeds will benefit junior class activities.

Recycling to be held Saturday

The Hereford Beautification Alliance, Community Christian School and St. Anthony's Catholic School will sponsor a recycling collection from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday at St. Anthony's parking lot. They will collect aluminum, glass, bundled newspaper, scrap metal and car batteries.

Obituaries

IRENE COMBS BARKER

Oct. 1, 1996

Irene Combs Barker, 96, of Amarillo, died Tuesday. She was born in Deaf Smith County.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy Chapel with Rev. C.N. "Shad" Rue, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Concluding services and burial will be in West Park Cemetery in Hereford at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Barker was born in Deaf Smith County and had lived in Amarillo since 1962. She was a school teacher, having taught at Pampa and Amarillo. She was member of Paramount Baptist Church and former member of Amarillo Garden Club.

Her husband, C.A. Barker, died in 1976. Survivors include a niece, Billie McCutchin of Levelland; and three nephews, Lynn Hart of Clayton, N.M., Jon H. Hart and George C. Lowe, both of Gruver.

LESLIE D. PHIPPS

Oct. 2, 1996

Leslie Dee Phipps, 19, of Quanah, died Wednesday at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church in Quanah with Rev. Clinton Young officiating. Burial will be in Quanah Memorial Park under direction of Price-Jackson Funeral Home.

Miss Phipps was born Jan. 30, 1977 in Lubbock. She lived in Quanah most of her life and graduated from Quanah High School. She was attending Weatherford College.

Survivors include her father and step-mother, Dewain and Sheri Phipps of Quanah; a sister, Pam Mantooth of Arlington; a brother, Tim Phipps of Quanah; two grandmothers, Lola Hunter of Quanah and Roxie Phipps of Hereford; and three step-sisters of Quanah.

News in Brief

San Antonio-Brewed Beer Will Not Be Featured At Next Year's Fiesta

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Trouble is brewing over a decision to serve beer from a St. Louis-based brewery instead of beer from a local brewery during next year's Night in Old San Antonio celebration.

It will be the first time that beer brewed along the banks of the San Antonio River will not be on tap for the event sponsored by the San Antonio Conservation Society and held during the annual Fiesta celebration.

More than 100,000 people attend the event that has always featured food, drink and culture from the local area.

The revelers will not be able to drink Lone Star or Pearl Beer for the first time in the 49-year history of the event. They will be able to drink Budweiser, Bud Light and Michelob, beers offered by Budco Inc., the local distributor for Anheuser-Busch Cos.

Lutz Isleib, president of Pearl Brewing Co., which employs 280 workers at its downtown brewery, told reporters the society should change the name of the annual fund-raiser to "A Night in Old St. Louis."

Blockbuster Eyes Downtown Dallas Site for Headquarters

DALLAS (AP) - Blockbuster Entertainment Corp., which started in Dallas in 1985 with a single store, is considering moving its corporate headquarters from Florida to Dallas, a newspaper reported today.

Real estate agents and business executives familiar with the transaction say the world's biggest chain of videotape and music stores is eyeing a site in downtown Dallas, The Dallas Morning News said.

If the entertainment giant, now based in Fort Lauderdale, makes the move, it would bring 850 home office jobs to Dallas.

Blockbuster moved to Florida in 1987. Today, the firm has about 4,800 video stores and 500 music stores that handle more than a million transactions a day. In 1995, those outlets took in about \$3 billion for Viacom Inc., the media conglomerate that bought Blockbuster in 1994.

Officials in Blockbuster's Fort Lauderdale headquarters declined Wednesday to confirm or deny that the company is considering a Dallas move.

Pratt & Whitney To Become First Private Operation At Kelly

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - With the opening of a jet engine overhaul and repair center, Pratt & Whitney plans to become the first commercial operation at Kelly Air Force Base.

"We're making history. This is a new era," said Hansel E. Tookes, president of Pratt & Whitney Government Engine Business, as he made the announcement Wednesday while standing next to a jet engine at Kelly.

The Base Realignment and Closure Commission decided last year to close Kelly by 2001. Since then civic leaders have been working with the Air Force to privatize some of the base's workload.

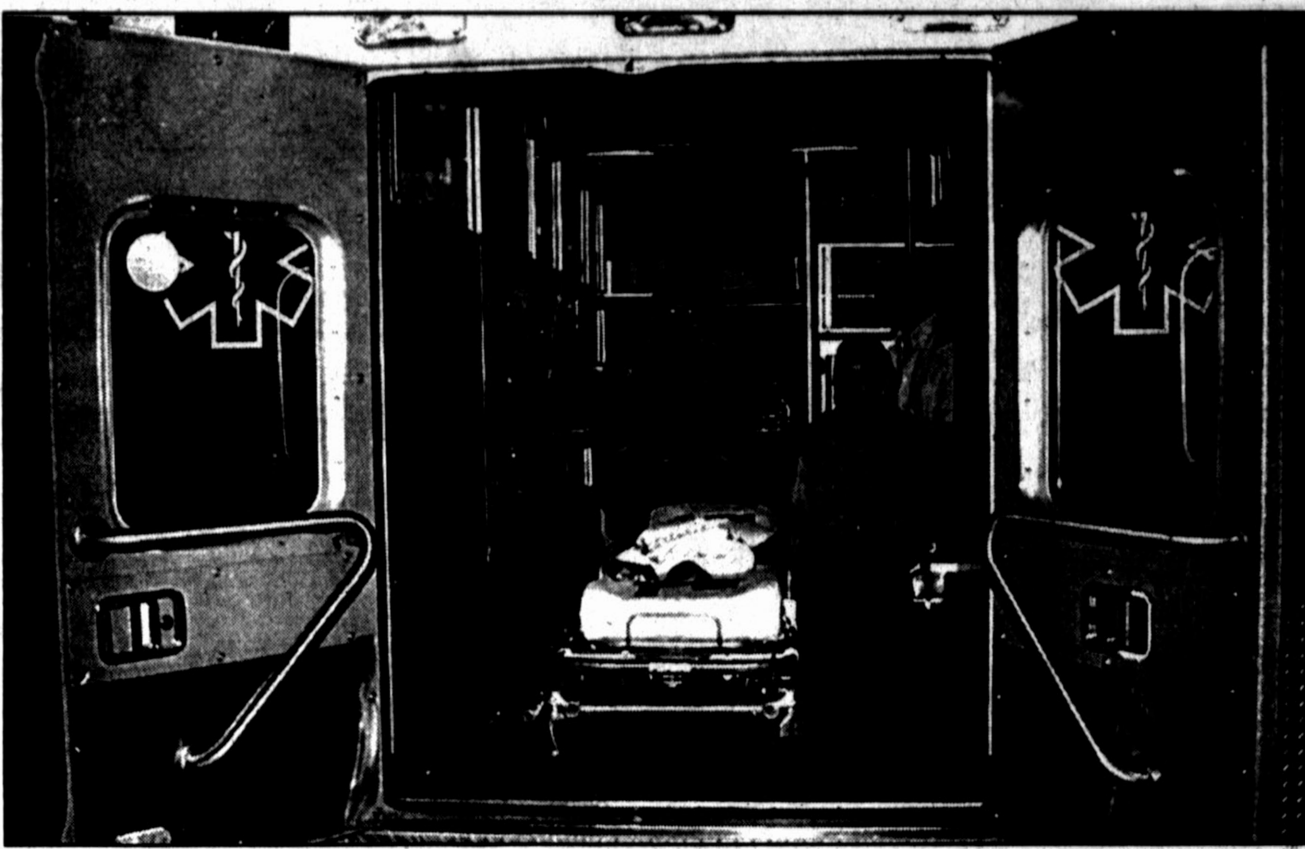
Susan McDougal's Brother Says Family Focusing On Appeal

HOUSTON (AP) - Jim Henley is convinced his sister is a scapegoat and a political prisoner.

"She's in chains today because she knew the president and because it's a political season," Henley says. "Everything has been timed for this to occur right now during this political season prior to the election."

His sister is Susan McDougal, now jailed for contempt of court following her conviction related to the Whitewater scandal.

Henley, a Houston middle school teacher, says the family is focusing on appealing her conviction because they don't expect a pardon from President Clinton.



Inside the new unit

Hereford emergency medical personnel, from left, Terry Hazlett and Ken Cook, paramedics, and Dava McGettes and Kelly Daniel, Emergency Medical Technicians, sit in the box of the new Hereford EMS ambulance that was placed in service last week. The new ambulance has enough room for the transport and treatment of two intensive care patients.

Reform Party activists also trying to have impact in Congressional races

By DAN SEWELL
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) - At Perot '96 headquarters, a large U.S. map marking contested Senate and House races decorates Russell Verney's office wall.

"This is a different dimension to the Reform Party," said Verney, Perot's national campaign coordinator. "It's part of the long-term building of this new party."

While Perot's public focus has been on his second presidential run, other Reform Party activists are trying to carry out another of his goals - to have an impact in the congressional races.

Perot said last year, when founding his new party, that it would endorse House and Senate candidates pledged to work for issues his party espouses. "Then," he said, "if our president is elected, he has a government that will be supportive of him because they are reformers, too."

Verney suggested that a good Perot showing nationally will spur some candidates elected with Reform Party backing to switch to the new party.

The independent-minded voters who gave Perot 19 percent of the vote nationally in 1992 represent a crucial swing vote in many districts. However, polls indicate 1996 support for Perot is lagging at around 5 percent and it's hard to gauge how influential a Reform Party endorsement would be.

Some state parties are running Reform candidates for Congress, including California with 10 House candidates, Kansas with candidates for the two open Senate seats and Minnesota, where Reform Party candidates are running for everything from Senate to county commission. They don't get aid from Dallas and in many cases, barely register as blips on polling radar.

Verney said Reform Party leaders haven't decided yet how to put together and announce endorsements, expected in mid-October.

Verney said handling of congressional races is up to the individual state parties, who are in varying stages of organization. Headquarters

offers suggested "congressional candidate pledges."

They include pledges to run positive campaigns and requests for candidates' positions on seven "principles of reform" - plans for redesigning federal entitlement programs; ethical standards for government; campaign finance reform; a balanced budget; a new tax system; creating U.S. jobs; and renegotiating trade agreements.

Endorsements have already been made in some states. In Minnesota, where Perot tallied 24 percent of the vote in 1992, many major-party candidates courted the Reform Party by attending its state convention in June, answering questionnaires and making presentations to party caucuses.

"It was a very elaborate process, more elaborate than our own Democratic Party's," said Bob Dechene, campaign manager for Rep. Bill Luther.

Luther's campaign advertising cites his Reform Party endorsement. Dechene said it's important in a district in which Perot polled 27 percent four years ago and where the first-term Luther is in a rematch with Republican Tad Jude - whom he defeated by only 550 votes in 1994.

"It's like a Good Housekeeping seal of approval from the voice of the moderate middle," said Phil Madsen,

a Reform leader who said the party endorsed four Democrats, one Republican and two of its own candidates in Minnesota congressional races, including Dean Barkley for Senate.

"We certainly publicized our endorsement," said second-term Democratic Rep. David Minge, another Reform Party pick in Minnesota. "The significance for me is that it is a recognition of the positions I've taken for campaign finance reform and the balanced budget."

In Georgia, the Reform Party's first congressional endorsement went to a Republican, Darrel Ealum. He's opposing Democratic incumbent Sanford Bishop, who didn't return the Reform Party questionnaires, saying there wasn't time before the party's deadline.

"We're certainly glad to have it. We think it's very important," said Rick Waters, Ealum's campaign manager.

Perot had warned that Republican presidential nominee Bob Dole's opposition to his participation in the debates with President Clinton could result in a backlash against GOP House and Senate candidates. Richard Taylor, a Georgia party leader, rented a chicken costume and wore it with a Dole mask for three days to protest Perot's exclusion from the debates.

Emergency Services

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

HEREFORD POLICE

At a residence in the 200 block of Avenue D, an intoxicated man was accused of assaulting his wife because she would not fix him something to eat. The woman told her husband she would go to the store and get him some food, at which time she called police. The man was arrested for assault.

At a residence in the 400 block of Western, someone spray painted numbers and initials on the garage doors. Damage was set at \$100.

A 31-year-old female was caught stealing a bottle of medicine in the 1100 block of West Park Avenue. She was issued a Class C theft citation and issue a criminal trespass warning not to return to the business.

A 33-year-old man is suspected in a theft of gas reported in the 400 block of East First.

A Hereford Police Officer was reported as bit by a dog in the 400 block of Long Street. The dog's owner was cited for not vaccinating her dog against rabies.

A 12-year-old boy was reported as a runaway from a residence in the 400 block of East Third. He was later found and returned to his parents.

A 46-year-old male was arrested on outstanding Department of Public Safety warrants.

At a convenience store located on South Main, an 18-pack of beer was reported stolen by two suspects approximately 20 years old each.

A man reported that his ex-wife picked up his three children for her visitation time and had not returned them. An arrest warrant was issued and the three children have been listed as missing.

Officers issued three citations for speeding; one citation for driving without having a seat belt on; and eight other traffic citations.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF

A 59-year-old male was arrested

for theft by check over \$20/under \$500.

A 32-year-old female was arrested for driving while license suspended.

A 30-year-old male was arrested for theft by check.

A 22-year-old female was arrested for theft over \$50/under \$500.

A 33-year-old male was arrested for driving while license suspended.

A 36-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation (DWI).

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No calls.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$12 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 2, 3, 11, 33, 41 and 43. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$17 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 02-23-30-34-36.

Estimated jackpot: \$71,019. Number matching five of five: 4.

Winning tickets sold in: San Antonio, Houston, Liberty City, Amarillo.

Matching four of five: 653. Prize: \$652.

Matching three of five: 22,982. Prize: \$31.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

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

4-3-4 (four, three, four)

MANNING

Manning, 64, was born in Frederick, Ok., and graduated from high school there. He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee. Several years ago he was honored with a Profile in Excellence Award by OBU. The award is given each year to alumni who have demonstrated excellence in their profession or life service.

He had pastorates in Weatherford and Tulsa before moving to Hereford. Barbara is also a native of Oklahoma, growing up in Altus, Mountain View and Tipton. They married in 1953.

The couple has four daughters and five grandchildren. Glenda Stansbury, Cindy Jones and Sandra Roberts all live in Oklahoma City, while Kathy Burns lives in Joplin, Mo.

AMBULANCE

sitting down here peeling the Aero Care labels off it," Hamby said with a laugh, recalling the Sunday he spent at that task.

Once those were removed, all that remained was for Hereford EMS labels to be applied, and for the radio to be set to the proper frequencies for Hereford traffic.

It was placed in service on Sept. 25.

"We're real lucky to have it," he said. "This ambulance has really complemented our service. ... And for the money, shoot, I wouldn't take for it."

He said the new ambulance is just the first of several major moves involving the department's fleet this year.

The hospital board -- Hereford EMS is a service of Hereford Regional Medical Center -- has also authorized purchase of a brand new ambulance later this year.

Hamby said he is assembling the specifications for that unit now. The hospital will trade two old ambulances in on the purchase of the new unit.

After that, a third ambulance -- which up until last week was the primary unit for Hereford EMS -- will be put in the shop for replacement of its engine.

A fourth ambulance and special equipment van round out the fleet. The fourth ambulance is a four-wheel-drive model designed for inclement weather or rural situations where regular ambulances cannot go.

"I'm thankful to the board. They've got the good foresight and good vision ... they know what needs to be done," Hamby said.

New claims for unemployment insurance stay unchanged

WASHINGTON (AP) - The number of new claims for jobless benefits was unchanged last week at the highest level in nearly three months, a possible sign of slowing job growth and a decelerating economy.

The Labor Department said today new applications for unemployment insurance totaled a seasonally adjusted 340,000, the same as the previous week. It was the highest since they totaled 367,000 during the week ended July 13.

Many analysts had expected little change.

Marilyn Schaja, an economist at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp., said a trend of about 340,000 weekly new claims would indicate "significant labor market moderation."

The department will provide the latest broad view of the economy on Friday when it releases its employment report for September.

Many analysts expect the jobless rate to rise to 5.3 percent, from 5.1 percent in August. And, they say, nonfarm payroll growth will total just 160,000, well below the 250,000 jobs created the previous month.

The four-week moving average of new weekly jobless claims rose by 5,750 to 334,500 last week, highest since 338,000 during the period ended July 27.

Many analysts prefer to track the less-volatile four-week average because it smooths out the spikes in the weekly reports.

During the week of Sept. 21, 22 states and territories had increases in claims and 31 registered declines. The state data is reported a week later than national totals.

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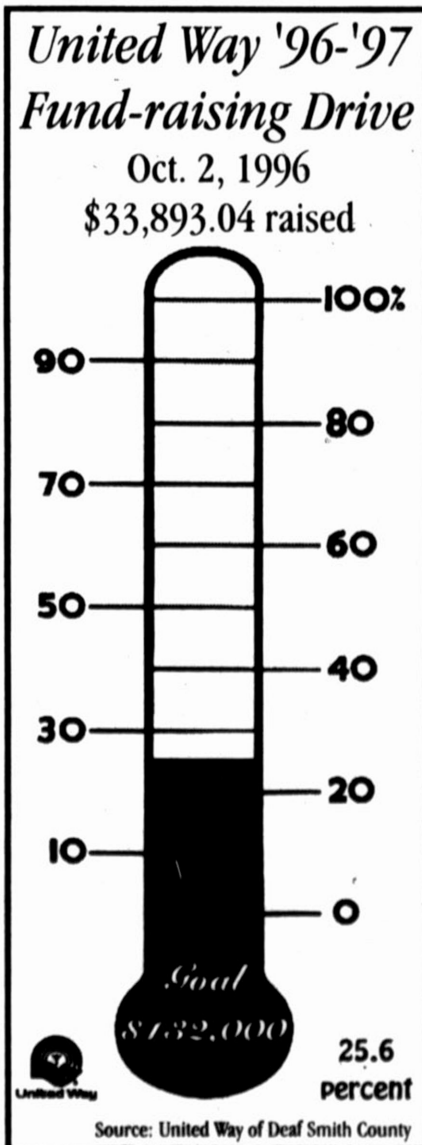
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Lifestyles

KUB Award Recipients

The Keeping Us Beautiful (KUB) Award is a local award bestowed by the Hereford Beautification Alliance on groups, individuals and businesses who exhibit a strong and sustained commitment to the appearance of their neighborhood and community.

Less than one percent of the property owners in Hereford are chosen to receive this award each year.

Property is judged on neatness (free of weeds and junk cars), flowers and shrubs in season, house and trim painted and lawn mowed.

Individuals within the community have noticed these property owners and recommended that they be granted this honor. The awards committee, composed of five anonymous persons, then chooses the winners.

Winners for the week of Sept. 30 are:

- *Ramon M. Landeros, 209 Avenue B
- *Cecil and Dorothy Bell, 100 Quince Street
- *Roy Martin, 111 Avenue C
- *Joe Ed and Janet Crawford, 102 Mimosa
- *Triangle Park, Hereford Kiwanis Club, 25 Mile Ave. and 4th St.
- *William and Tenna Reinauer, 101 Liveoak

Hereford Beautification Alliance wishes to congratulate these people for the high standards they are setting and offers its sincere thanks for their personal contributions to the improvement of the city's appearance.

Hereford students get WTAMU scholarships

The West Texas A&M University Foundation, thanks to a challenge grant from the Amarillo Area Foundation (AAF), has eased the way for 40 students to attend college, including two from Hereford.

Renee Banner, a senior nursing major, is the recipient of the Don and Dorothy Patterson Leadership Scholarship. Tatyana Vakhraneva, a sophomore general business major, is the recipient of the Paulus Schroeter Leadership Scholarship.

In 1992, The AAF issued a challenge to the WTAMU Foundation that included establishing leadership scholarships benefiting students from the top 26 counties in the Texas

Panhandle.

The keep the grant, WTAMU Foundation had to establish 10 new leadership scholarships each year for a four-year period ending Aug. 21, 1996. The AAF pays a total of \$2,000 in scholarship awards toward each fund over four years.

The WTAMU Foundation will recognize the AAF, donors and scholarship recipients at a reception from 4:30-6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8 in the Mary Moody Northern Hall Atrium on the WTAMU campus. The reception provides an opportunity for donors to meet the students who benefit from the endowments.

Harder speaks for Wyche FCE

Beverly Harder, County Extension Agent/FCS, gave the program on "Four Vital Signs" when the Wyche Family Community Education Club met recently in the Community Center.

Harder's presentation covered power of attorney, living will, and letter of last instruction.

Audrey Rusher was hostess for the meeting. Virgie Duncan led the pledge and prayer.

Roll call was answered with "My Last Physical Checkup."

Club members Mary Lou Aven and Carol Worthan brought baked goods for the club fund raiser.

Members in attendance were Thelma Auten, Louise Axe, Shirley Brown, Argen Draper, Camelia Jones, Jo Lee, Dorma Kirby, Marie Maxwell, Carol Sartain, Rusher, Duncan, Aven and Worthan.

Auxiliary plans fall jewelry sale

The Hereford Regional Medical Center's Auxiliary is hosting a jewelry sale from 7 a.m.-4 p.m. on Oct. 8 in the dining room of the hospital.

The sale, which is a major fund raiser for the Auxiliary, will feature fashionable jewelry for all occasions. All profits from the sale will go to the Auxiliary for their various projects.

"This is a great time to do some early Christmas shopping," Irene Reinhart, president of the auxiliary, said. "Customers will have a chance to make some excellent buys and help fund worthy projects at the same time."

The jewelry for the fund raiser will include earring, bracelets, watches, rings and 14k gold, sterling silver gemstones and other costume jewelry.

Chili supper is topic at meeting

Hereford Rebekah Lodge #228 met Tuesday evening with eleven members present.

The Chili Supper scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 12 was discussed. The supper will be held from 5-8 p.m. in the I.O.O.F. Hall. The menu will consist of chili, beans, cornbread, pie and coffee or tea. Cost is \$3.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children.

Reports were made at the direction of noble grand Lucille Lindeman. Sixteen visits, 24 cheer cards, eight dishes of food delivered and five flowers were reported.

Nelma Sowell read a poem. Jessie Matthews served as hostess to Lindeman, Sowell, Ben Conklin, Tony Irlbeck, Peggy Lemons, Susie Curtisinger, Leona Sowell, Irene Merritt, Frankie Ruland and Mary Lou Weatherford.

We Want Your Recipes!

The holidays are nearly upon us and The Hereford Brand wants to help make this season shine by sharing special holiday recipes with our readers.

We want to publish as many of our readers' traditional holiday favorites as we can during the holiday season -- from Thanksgiving's turkey dinner through New Year's Day's black-eyed peas.

Anyone wanting to submit a recipe may do so to The Hereford Brand, 313 N. Lee, in any of five categories -- Main Dish, Appetizers/Beverage, Vegetables/Salads, Desserts and Candies/Cookies.

Each recipe must include the name of the person submitting it, complete list of ingredients and preparation directions, plus a short history of the recipe, including the name of the cookbook where it originally appeared, if applicable.

The Brand staff will select the best of these recipes to publish during the holidays.

All recipes must be typed or neatly handwritten. Deadline for submission is 5 p.m. on October 25.

So please, share the holidays with your friends and neighbors by sending us your favorite traditional holiday recipes.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I need an objective opinion about a request my mother made today. She asked me not to tell my brother when she or my father dies.

Two years ago, at my son's second birthday party, my parents and my brother had a fight. It wasn't the first time. My brother and his wife stormed out of the house, and they haven't spoken since. Mom phoned a few days later to try to make amends, but my brother hung up on her.

Ann, I used to play peacemaker and go-between, but I gave up that role and told them they had to work things out themselves. Today, I told my mother I could not honor her request. I wouldn't feel right if I didn't tell my brother when she or Dad passes on.

Am I on solid ground? My brother and my mom both read your column. Maybe they will see themselves and do something about it. -- Hackensack, N.J.

Dear Hack: You sound like one of the more balanced members of the family. When the time comes, make the call. If your brother hangs up on you, so what? You will have done the right thing.

Dear Ann Landers: Two years ago, on the night before my wedding, two members of the wedding party (brothers) told me they were low on funds and would have to wait a while to send their wedding gifts. I said it was perfectly OK and not to give it a thought.

Since one year is the time allowed to send wedding gifts (according to Letitia Baldrige), they are long past due. Both brothers have been employed steadily and seem to be living well. Two months ago, one of the brothers asked for my new mailing address so he could send me a card. Three weeks later, he apologized and said he was mailing the card that day. It never came.

I'm still good friends with both brothers, but I feel insulted that two members of my wedding party did not even send a card, let alone a gift. Should I tell them how I feel or just let it pass? The brother who said he was sending a card may be getting married this year. Should I be the better person and send a gift? -- G.G., Cortlandt Manor, N.Y.

Dear G.G.: For the umpteenth time -- a gift is something a person

chooses to give, it is not mandatory. So the fellow said he was sending a card, and the card never came. Big deal. Poor manners? Yes, but no reason to throw a major hissie fit.

Send a wedding gift if you like. Rest assured he will remember that he didn't send you one, and you will have made your point.

Dear Ann Landers: I am writing in reply to "Quebec Quandary," the teacher who felt students who used computers had an unfair advantage.

I am 12 years old. In my school, the language and spelling teachers ban computers. They say we are in school to learn grammar and spelling and we will not learn it if the computer does the work for us.

This letter may not be perfect, but at least I can say I wrote it and checked it myself and I didn't depend on a computer. -- Learning in Pa.

Dear Learning: A big red apple for those teachers who don't let their grade school students use computers for every assignment. They are right when they say you will not learn proper grammar and spelling if the computer does it for you. I hope you students appreciate those "tough" teachers. If you don't now, you will later.

Mammograms being discounted at HRMC

As part of National Breast Cancer Awareness month, Hereford Regional Medical Center is offering women a 10 percent discount on mammograms during the month of October, according to Jim Robinson, administrator. Examinations may be scheduled Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

"The purpose of National Breast Cancer Awareness month is to encourage millions of American women to receive, sign up for, or make a commitment to get a mammogram screening," Claudia Smith, RT, manager of the radiology department said. "Each year 46,000 women will die from breast cancer. A mammogram is the best way of finding breast cancer when it is most treatable."

"HRMC is a certified mammography facility," Mrs. Smith said. "That means that our equipment and our mammography program has been tested and certified by the American College of Radiology, the Texas Department of Health, and also

approved by the Federal Drug Administration. Our technologists have received special training, and are credentialed as qualified technologists to perform mammograms," she said. The mammographers on staff include Claudia Smith, RT; Michelle Zamora, R.T. and Cori Watts, R.T.

"Guidelines from the American Cancer Society, American College of OB/GYN and the Academy of Family Practitioners recommend that women have their first mammogram between 35 and 40 then every one to two years for women 40-49, and yearly after age 50.

"Women are also encouraged to practice monthly self-examinations of their breasts which is an extremely important measure in cancer detection," Mrs. Smith said.

Women may have their mammograms scheduled by their doctor's office or may self-refer by calling the Hereford Regional Medical Center radiology department at 364-2141, ext. 248.

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WTAMU

West Texas A&M University's Department of Art, Communication and Theatre will present "The Homage That Follows" at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9 through Saturday, Oct. 12 and at 3 p.m., Sunday Oct. 13 in the Branding Iron Theatre, located in the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU campus.

"The Homage That Follows" focuses on ex-teacher Katherine Samuel and her memories concerning the death of her television star daughter, Lucy. These thoughts center around her hired hand, Archie Landrum, a highly intelligent man who becomes obsessed with Katherine. Along with attorney Joseph Smith and deputy Gilbert Tellez, these characters lead the audience through a variety of dramatic and moving conflicts.

Because of the severity of its themes and the passions of its characters, the play does contain adult situations and profanity. Audience discretion is advised.

Tickets are \$7 at the door or can be purchased in advance. For more information or to reserve tickets, contact the WTAMU Department of Art, Communication and Theatre at 806-656-2798.

West Texas A&M University Office of Admissions will host Intro to College, a program for high school students and their parents, from 1-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19.

This workshop is designed to introduce prospective WTAMU students and their parents to the campus, education issues and college life.

The workshop begins at 1 p.m. Following the workshop, a tailgate party and barbecue will be held at Kimbrough Memorial Stadium. The participants are also invited to attend the WTAMU vs. East Texas State University football game at 6 p.m.

The workshop is free to students and their parents. Those participating in Intro to College may attend the football game for \$2 and the tailgate party for \$5. The reservation deadline

is Wednesday, Oct. 16.

For more information, contact Van Doren or Scott Edwards in the Office of Admissions at 806-656-2020 or 1-800-99-WTAMU.

West Texas A&M University Counseling Services will offer students the opportunity to learn more about depression, a condition plaguing college students across the nation. The department will offer students a free screening as part of National Depression Screening Day, Thursday, Oct. 10.

Two sessions will be held, one from 10 a.m.-noon and the other from 4-6 p.m., in the Virgil Henson Activities Center, Room 211 on the WTAMU campus.

All students, even those only curious about this condition, are encouraged to attend. For more information on this event or any other topic related to this field, contact Dr. Bob Capes or Dayna Schertler in Counseling services at 806-656-2340.

AMARILLO

The Don Harrington Discovery Center's Young Astronauts Club, which began in 1995, is gearing up for another terrific year. This group which is geared for children grades 3-5 will meet at the Discovery Center twice each month and will participate in a great deal of fun aerospace and astronomy activities, crafts and planetarium shows.

Meetings will be held on the first and third Tuesdays through May at 4:5-30 p.m. or 6-7:30 p.m. at the Discovery Center.

The annual fee is \$20 for Discovery Center Members and \$30 for non-members.

For further information regarding Young Astronauts, please contact Christine Shupla at 806-355-9548, ext. 13.

The Amarillo College Center for Continuing Healthcare Education will offer a Medical/Surgical Update from 8 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Friday at the Amarillo Garden Center.

This conference is designed to update participants on current issues and care of patients in the medical-surgical area. Specific areas to be addressed include Getting Beyond Healthcare Restructuring, What's New in Diabetes, The Patient with HIV Infection, Continuity of Care for the Asthma Patient, Legal Issues in Documentation and Delegation, Cardiovascular Disease, Dealing with Psych Patients on the Medical/Surgical Unit and Communication Strategies.

Cost is \$59 which includes lunch, breaks, program materials and CEU's.

The American Cancer Society's FreshStart is a free straightforward, no-nonsense quit smoking program. It consists of four one-hour sessions held from 7 p.m.-8 p.m. on Oct. 8, 10, 15 and 17.

Sessions are held at the American Cancer Society Office, 3915 Bell, Amarillo.

Facilitator is Dr. Arthur Morton. FreshStart contains all the elements that can help smokers to stop and actually stay off cigarettes.

RSVP by Oct. 7 to assure a spot in the class. A \$10 fee is requested to reserve your spot. This fee is payable at the first class and refundable after attendance of all four sessions.

Call the American Cancer Society at 806-353-4306.

The Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra will open its 1996-97 season with a free performance Sunday at 4 p.m. at Amarillo High School.

The concert will feature 47 string players from middle and high schools around the Texas Panhandle.

This concert marks the debut of the Youth Orchestra's new music director and conductor, Dr. Mo Trout.

The Youth Orchestra is sponsored this season by Maxor Pharmacies, the Lawrence R. Hagy Fund and the Amarillo Symphony Guild.

The Don Harrington Discovery Center and Laser Fantasy, Inc. will present the ever-popular laser shows in the planetarium Oct. 4, 1996-Jan. 4, 1997.

The schedule will offer a variety of shows and promises something for everyone. Tickets may be purchased on the day of the show, so plan to arrive early, as shows will sell out.

Admission is \$3 per person for matinee shows, and Discovery Center members will be admitted free. Evening show admission is \$6 per person and \$4 for Discovery Center members.

Laser shows will include Peter and the Wolf: A Laser Tale, Halloween Special, Learning to Fly, Space Odyssey, Holiday Magic and Symphony of the Stars. There will also be additional laser rock shows.

For further information regarding any of the laser shows, contact Christine Shupla at 806-355-9548, ext. 13.

CANYON

The University Study Club of Canyon is sponsoring its 40th annual home tour from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 13.

Admission for viewing the four homes on the Harvest Home Tour is \$5. Tickets can be purchased from club members or at the homes.

Home owners are Lon and Beverly Conner, 17 Southridge Drive; Joel and JoElyn Richardson, 66 Country Club; Bill and Kathleen Hudson, 4270 White Fence Road; and Bob and Ann Gooch, 17875 Harvest Road.

SHAMROCK

The Shamrock Chamber of Commerce is proud to sponsor the Irish CraftFest to be held this Saturday and Sunday in the Shamrock Area Community Center, 911 S. Main St.

The festival will be held from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday and from 12 noon-5 p.m. Sunday.

Handmade items made by crafters from Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas will be the highlight of this years show.

A concession stand will be open, featuring homemade Irish stew, cobblers and a variety of other food items.

DUMAS

The Retail Trade Committee of the Dumas and Moore County Chamber of Commerce will host the Christmas Sidewalks Festival and Parade at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 30.

Events will center around the courthouse square and will include "Light-Up Dumas," Christmas carolers, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, various types of booths, a parade and lots of other entertainment.

For more information on this celebration, contact the Dumas and Moore County Chamber of Commerce at 806-935-2123.

PLAINVIEW

The 5th annual "Plains-of-Texas" Talent Contest, sponsored by the Plains-of-Texas Musical Jamboree, will be held Dec. 21 in Plainview.

Age groups are 3-10, 11-18 and 19-up. A prize of \$100 will be awarded the winner in each age group, vocal and/or instrumental.

Entry deadline is Dec. 14 and there is no entry fee.

For more information, contact the Plains-Of-Texas Talent Show, 313 Irene, Plainview, Texas 79072, 806-

293-3180.

Abraham Family Art Gallery at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview is open daily through Nov. 1 for persons wishing to view "Selections from the Malouf Abraham Jr. Collection," the inaugural exhibit of the recently opened art gallery.

The exhibit includes 33 works from Dr. Abraham's collection, including "First Day of School," an original Norman Rockwell painting.

Dr. Abraham also designed the gallery, which is located on the lower level of the recently-completed J.E. and L.E. Mabce Learning Resources Center. The family of Malouf Abraham Sr. provided funds for the construction of the gallery.

For the showing of "Selections from the Malouf Abraham Jr. Collection," the gallery is open from 1-6:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 1-5 p.m., Friday; 2-6:30 p.m., Saturday; and 2-5 p.m., Sunday. Admission to the gallery is free.

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Today in History

Today is Thursday, Oct. 3, the 277th day of 1996. There are 89 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: One year ago, on Oct. 3, 1995, in a decision that outraged some and elated others, the jury in the O.J. Simpson murder trial found the former football star innocent of the 1994 murders of his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

On this date: In 1226, St. Francis of Assisi, founder of the Franciscan order, died; he was canonized in 1228.

In 1863, President Lincoln declared the last Thursday in November, Thanksgiving Day.

In 1922, Rebecca L. Felton, D-Ga., became the first woman to be seated in the U.S. Senate. (Mrs. Felton had been appointed to serve out the remaining term of Sen. Thomas E. Watson.)

In 1929, the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes formally changed its name to the Kingdom of Yugoslavia.

In 1941, Adolf Hitler declared in a speech in Berlin that Russia had been "broken" and would "never rise again."

In 1942, President Roosevelt established the Office of Economic Stabilization and authorized controls on farm prices, rents, wages and salaries.

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. troops cracked the Siegfried Line north of Aachen, Germany.

In 1962, astronaut Wally Schirra blasted off from Cape Canaveral aboard the Sigma 7 on a nine-hour flight.

In 1974, Frank Robinson was named major-league baseball's first black manager as he was placed in charge of the Cleveland Indians.

In 1981, Irish nationalists at the Maze Prison near Belfast, Northern Ireland, ended seven months of hunger strikes that had claimed 10 lives.

In 1988, Discovery completed its four-day mission, the first American shuttle flight since the Challenger disaster.

In 1990, West Germany and East Germany ended 45 years of postwar division, declaring the creation of a new unified country.

Ten years ago: American hostages Terry Anderson and David Jacobsen, held by pro-Iranian kidnapers in Lebanon, asked the Reagan administration in a videotaped message to work as hard for their freedom as it had done in getting reporter Nicholas Daniloff out of the Soviet Union.

Five years ago: Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton entered the race for the Democratic presidential nomination. South African author Nadine Gordimer was named winner of the

Nobel Prize in literature.
Today's Birthdays: Author Gore Vidal is 71. Actress Madlyn Rhue is 62. Rock 'n' roll star Chubby Checker is 55. Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., is 53. Singer Lindsey Buckingham is 49. All-star outfielder Dave Winfield is 45. Actor Jack

Wagner is 37. Rock musician Tommy Lee (Mötley Crüe) is 34. Actress Neve Campbell ("Party of Five") is 23.

Thought for Today: "The worst disease in the world is the plague of vengeance." -- Dr. Karl Menninger, American psychiatrist (1893-1990).

Designer ends up wearing pie

DALLAS (AP) - Oscar de la Renta was in Dallas to show off a new clothing line. He ended up wearing a pie.

An anti-fur activist yelling "Fur! Shame!" shoved a whipped-cream pie into the designer's face Wednesday during a charity fashion show at a Neiman Marcus store.

Police said 28-year-old Kelly Nichols, identified as a member of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, hid the pie in a shopping bag before hitting de la Renta with it.

Ms. Nichols was arrested and charged with Class A misdemeanor assault, which carries a penalty of up to one year in jail and a \$2,000 fine, Dallas police said.

The runway show was a fund-raiser for the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas. It was also meant to introduce "Oscar," the designer's new, lower-priced women's collection.

De la Renta said he makes a line of furs that Neiman Marcus sells but doesn't use fur that is farmed. He said he doesn't use fur from endangered species, either.

Michael McGraw, a spokesman with PETA in Norfolk, Va. said Ms. Nichols acted independently of the animal-rights group. But McGraw added that de la Renta is a PETA target.

The designer appeared to take the incident in stride, changing suit coats and returning to the show and a standing ovation.

"I didn't like the taste of the cake," he joked.

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Sports

Pampa brings staunch defense to Hereford

By JAY PEDEN
Sports Editor

The District 1-4A schedule for the Hereford football team started tough with Borger last week, and the Bulldogs won 40-19 to drop Hereford to 1-3 overall.

It doesn't get any easier this week, as Pampa comes to Whiteface Stadium Friday for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff.

Pampa (3-1) started its district schedule by edging Dumas 20-14. The Harvesters showed scoring balance in that game - scoring one touchdown on offense, one TD on defense with a pass interception and one TD with its special teams on a blocked field goal return.

It was an unusually close game for a Pampa-Dumas meeting.

"They've had injuries, continuity problems, that have hurt them," Herd coach Craig Yenzler said. "They lost their quarterback in the Amarillo High game (Clint Curtis broke his ankle) but their backup quarterback (Josh Blackmon) has done an admirable job. They're not as athletic a team, but they still have lots of ways to hurt you."

Pampa is fifth in the district in total offense, averaging 247.8 yards per game. No offensive player stands out in the district statistics, although running back Marques Long is averaging 115 yards rushing per game.

"Offensively, they run the short passing game, and they're going to try to pound you by trying to run right at you with the 'I' formation," Yenzler

said. "They're pretty conservative. If they struggle offensively, they're going to run, run, run, then punt and let their defense play. They play great defense."

The Harvesters are third in the district in defense - giving up 239 yards a game - but they may be better

than that.

"They get in the 4-3 and their secondary plays some man-to-man, some three-deep zone," Yenzler said. "Defense is where they impress you. They've got Devin Lemons playing defensive end and J.J. Mathis playing safety."

Another player to watch is middle linebacker Jared White, Yenzler said.

"Their coaching staff does a good job with the 4-3," he said. "They don't make mistakes, and they do run to the football."

Yenzler reported that the Whitefaces had a good week of

practice and their confidence is up despite the 1-3 record.

"I think the kids have confidence, but they've got to have the confidence to win the game we're not supposed to win," Yenzler said. "When we get to that point, we'll be ready to take off."

Friday in Borger.

Zack Wall took defensive honors with three sacks and another tackle for a loss totaling 45 yards in losses for the Bulldogs.

Curt Sherron is the special teams player of the week after getting every block he was assigned to make.

The Fan of the Week is Richard Sierra Sr.

The Herd junior varsity team is scheduled to play at 7:30 tonight in Pampa, and the sophomores also go on the road for a game against Frenship at 5 p.m. today.

The Herd freshmen A team will play here, hosting Pampa today at 5 p.m. The B team does not have a game scheduled this week.



Charging ahead

The Hereford Whitefaces will charge into Friday night's game with Pampa in Whiteface Stadium. The game starts at 7:30 p.m.

Braves' Smoltz dominates Dodgers

By JOHN NADEL
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) - John Smoltz has been a pitcher with wonderful stuff for years, a potential big winner waiting to blossom.

He came of age this season, moving ahead of four-time NL Cy Young Award winner Greg Maddux and one-time recipient Tom Glavine as the ace of the Atlanta Braves staff.

Smoltz, 29, did just what an ace is supposed to do Wednesday, coming through with a dominating performance as the Braves beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 2-1 in 10 innings to get the jump in their NL playoff series.

Byars lashes out at Johnson

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) - Keith Byars hasn't decided whether to retire, but he won't play for Jimmy Johnson again.

Byars burned that bridge Wednesday.

A bitter Byars complained about being released by the Miami Dolphins, saying he deserved better treatment as an 11-year veteran. Byars compared Johnson to a dictator and expressed skepticism about the coach's chances of winning a Super Bowl with Miami.

"His program and his system, if

you look at his track record, it's firecrackers instead of bombs," Byars said. "It's short bursts. He doesn't have any longevity in any program."

"If he doesn't get it done quick, Jimmy won't be there. Because of the way he is, he doesn't have the endurance to go the long haul. He's good in small doses."

Byars, 32, started the first four games this season at tight end, but was cut Tuesday when Johnson acquired tight end Troy Drayton in a trade with the St. Louis Rams.

Smoltz, the major league leader in victories and strikeouts, allowed only four hits in the first nine innings, and Javy Lopez homered off Antonio Osuna leading off the 10th to provide the margin of victory.

Mark Wohlers, who had a club-record 39 saves, worked around a one-out single by Greg Gagne in the bottom of the 10th to preserve the victory for the defending World Series champions.

Maddux (15-11), whose streak of four straight Cy Young Awards will likely be stopped by Smoltz, will pitch for the NL East champion Braves in Game 2 of the best-of-5 series tonight against Ismael Valdes.

Smoltz, 24-8 this year, retired his final 13 batters, including Piazza on a long fly to right to end the eighth. "I thought I hit it pretty well," Piazza said. "I hoped it would go out for me, but it obviously didn't."

Smoltz struck out seven, walked two and threw strikes on his last 17 pitches in improving his lifetime postseason record to 6-1.

"The only difference I see in John this year is probably that his control has been better than it's ever been," Glavine said. "But whether he won 24 games this year or what, John Smoltz has still been a great pitcher for this organization."

Perhaps so, but Smoltz had never won more than 15 games in a season until this year.

"This truly was a big game for me," Smoltz said. "I enjoyed being in this situation. I really felt good all game. Even in the 10th inning, I felt I could go out (and pitch)."

Smoltz threw 125 pitches - 85 for strikes.

As expected, the matchup between the teams with the top two ERAs in baseball was a pitching duel. There was a total of just nine hits - four by Atlanta.

"We both have good pitchers," Dodgers manager Bill Russell said. "It will probably be the same way tomorrow. Hopefully, we'll be one run better."

Ramon Martinez matched Smoltz for eight innings, giving up just three hits before being removed after throwing 131 pitches. But his relievers didn't do the job as the Dodgers lost their fifth straight game.

They've scored just six runs in those five games, and only one - in the fifth inning Wednesday - in their last 27 innings.

Martinez, who struck out six and walked three, said he knew he had to be near-perfect for the Dodgers to win.

"Every time you go out there, you go with the pressure that you can't give anything to the other team," he said. "That's the way I looked at it when I went out there today. Against the Cy Young Award winner, you don't expect to get too many runs."

Lopez will be rewarded with a spot on the bench tonight, in favor of Eddie Perez, who frequently catches Maddux. But Lopez said he didn't mind.

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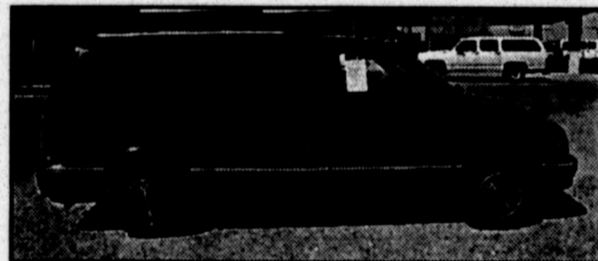
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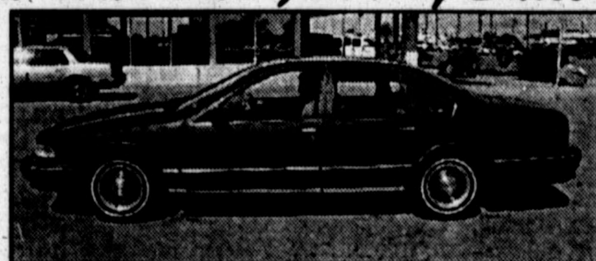
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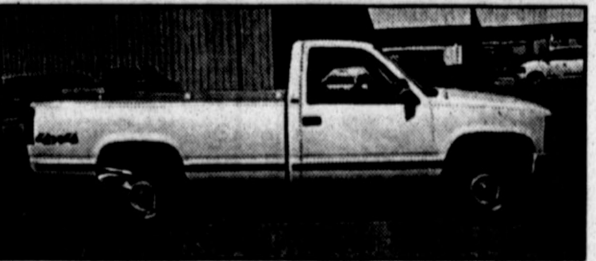
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Bird watchers confirm success of falcon project

By DAN PARKER

Corpus Christi Caller-Times
MATAGORDA ISLAND, Texas - The swallow was flying low to the ground, perhaps unaware that predators watched.

But four northern aplomado falcons were only 100 yards away, and they were fixed on their target. In close formation, they sprang from their perches and shot toward the swallow.

The falcons surrounded the smaller bird in midair, taking turns diving at their prey.

From the ground, conservation workers Amy Nicholas and Molly Thomas watched the spectacle through telescopes.

"They weren't just scrambling for the bird," Nicholas said later. "It looked almost like it was choreographed. They're very cooperative."

The falcons plunged at the swallow again and again before one finally struck the fatal blow.

"It was really fast," Thomas said. "It hit the bird, and then they picked it up and started carrying it."

The swallow's misfortune represented a big step in a success story for the endangered northern aplomado falcon.

The attacking birds were among six northern aplomado falcons released by wildlife authorities at Matagorda Island National Wildlife Refuge and State Natural Area on July 29 to help replenish the world's population of the birds.

The capture of the swallow at about 10:30 a.m. on Aug. 26 marked the first confirmation that the falcons had hunted successfully. The falcons were brought to the island by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Department and the Peregrine Fund, a nonprofit conservation group.

Historically, northern aplomado falcons have ranged from Honduras throughout Mexico and in the southern parts of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico, according to the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Wildlife officials do not know how

many northern aplomado falcons are left in the world. But the falcons are on the federal endangered species list because none was seen nesting in the United States from 1952 until 1995.

A captive-raised aplomado falcon released by the Peregrine Fund nested in Cameron County in 1995. Until the recent releases, there had been no verified sightings of aplomado falcons in the Matagorda Island area in the past few years.

The falcons were released on Matagorda Island after being hatched and raised at a captive breeding facility in Boise, Idaho. The falcons were flown aboard a commercial airliner from Boise to Corpus Christi and finally transported by Coast Guard helicopter to Matagorda Island.

At first, the 5-week-old falcons were kept in a refrigerator-size box atop a 12-foot platform on a broad prairie. The box was ventilated and had a window with bars, but it stayed closed for six days so the young falcons could get used to their new environment.

The birds flew away from the box two days after it was opened, but they returned after short flights, using it as a home base.

Nicholas and Thomas were hired by the Peregrine Fund to monitor the falcons' progress.

Nicholas, 23, of Cheyenne, Wyo., recently earned a bachelor of science degree in zoology and is planning to begin work soon toward a master's degree, probably in conservation biology. Thomas, 23, of New Orleans, La., recently was awarded a bachelor's in biology and also plans to pursue a master's degree. Every day at 6:30 a.m., Nicholas and Thomas have gotten out of their beds in a small bungalow on the nearly uninhabited island and fed the falcons farm-raised dead quail.

The women have spent days watching the falcons through

telescopes, monitoring the birds' progress from dawn to dusk. They have had to put up with heat, humidity and clouds of mosquitoes, but they say they've enjoyed the work.

"It's active conservation," Thomas said. "It's not just like you're talking about it or giving money. You're actually out there doing it."

It can get monotonous watching the falcons for hours at a time. "But it's still interesting," Thomas said. "You get to know (the falcons). People wouldn't really think of birds as having real distinct personalities.... But they do."

First, there's the unusually large, clumsy female falcon that took a long time to learn how to fly.

"You could see her come flying in, and she'd crash into the other birds," Thomas said. "She'd try to

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - Some folks go watch a movie when they're just hanging out. Big-time country music stars like Reba McEntire and Vince Gill? They go to the Grand Ole Opry - to perform.

The two were attending a dinner Saturday night when Gill asked McEntire, "You want to go over to the Opry and sing a song?"

The result: They drove the short distance to the Grand Ole Opry House and made a surprise appearance on the 71-year-old country show to sing their duet, "The Heart Won't Lie."

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Maybe she was at a wedding - or a funeral. In any event, the hooker caught with Hugh Grant, Divine Brown, didn't show up in court as ordered Monday to face prostitution charges.

Authorities issued a warrant for Brown, whose real name is Estella Maria Thompson.

Brown and Grant, star of "Four Weddings and a Funeral" and "Nine Months," were caught in the middle of a sex act in Los Angeles last year. Both pleaded no contest to lewd conduct.

for its identification band. "White was a clown, totally," Nicholas said. The falcon once stripped a plastic tree that Nicholas and Thomas had set up as shade and camouflage for the birds.

"He pulled every leaf off this plastic plant and danced around with them," Nicholas said.

"He'd fly around with a leaf and try get the others to fly after him like it was something they'd want," Thomas said.

The falcons are doing well and are expected to do well in the future, the women said.

But the birds eventually may abandon Matagorda Island, choosing to fly into other areas of South Texas,

where prairies have the shorter grass the falcons prefer. They might leave also because juveniles tend to disperse over wide areas as they get older.

In addition, relocating might bring them to an area where they can find more abandoned nests, Nicholas said. Aplomado falcons prefer to use other birds' old nests, and there may not be enough of them in the Matagorda Island area, she said. The falcons were released on Matagorda Island largely because the island has fewer predators than do other parts of South Texas.

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Television

THURSDAY

OCTOBER 3

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
22	Movie: Neverending Story II		Movie: Susie Q. Justin Whalin.		Blondie	Avonlea					Michael Bolton
23	News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Single Guy	Seinfeld	Suddenly	ER		News	(3:5) Tonight Show	
24	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Legendary Trails		Mystery!			Difference	Computer	Charlie Rose	
25	Video	Video	(:05) Movie: Smokey and the Bandit (1977) ***		(:05) Movie: Smokey and the Bandit II (1980) **						Movie:
26	News	Wh. Fortune	High Incident		Movie: Under Siege (1992) Steven Seagal. ***		News	Seinfeld	Nightline		
27	Fam. Mat.	Bzzz!	Movie: Death Wish 4: The Crackdown (1987) * 1/2		News		Wipeout		Heat		
28	News	Home Imp.	Diagnosis Murder	Motown		48 Hours	News		(3:5) Late Show		
29	Roseanne	Mad-You	Major League Baseball Playoffs Divisional Round Game 2 -- Teams to Be Announced		Mad-You	Martin			Real TV		
30	Sportcenter	College Football	Mississippi vs. Tennessee						Sportcenter		Baseball
31	Waltons		Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911		700 Club		Three Stooges			Carson
32	Movie: ** End of the Line	Movie: Renaissance Man	Danny DeVito. ** 1/2 PG-13		Bedtime	Sherman	Latino	Full Frontal			Movie:
33	(:15) Movie: Hiding Out (1987) Jon Cryer, Keith Coogan.	Movie: Silent Trigger	Dolph Lundgren.		Ghost-Dark.			Inside the NFL			Hooters
34	(5:00) Movie: *** Singles	Movie: Criminal Minds	Kevin Dillon. 'R'	Movie: Just Cause	Sean Connery. ** 'R'	(:15) Movie: Poison Ivy II: Lily 'R'					
35	Movie: Adventure-Robin	Movie: The Charge of the Light Brigade (1936) ****		Movie: Decapitation (1946)	Bette Davis. ***						Movie:
36	Dukes of Hazzard	Life of Minnie Pearl		Prime Time Country	News	Club Dance	Dallas		Dukes		
37	Bay, 2000	Next Step	Wild Discovery	Movie: Magic	Next Step	Time Traveler		Next Step	Bay, 2000	Wild Disc.	
38	Equalizer	Biography		Ancient Mysteries		Mysteries of the Bible		Law & Order			Biography
39	HopeGlori	Designing	Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: The Conviction of Kitty Dodds (1993)		Living	Mysteries	Mysteries		
40	Triathlon		This Week in NASCAR		Cycle World	Motorsports Hour		Press Box	Spotlight	Football	
41	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: Harry and the Hendersons (1987) John Lithgow. ***		Movie: Batteries not included (1987) ** 1/2							
42	Doug	Rugrats	Happy Days	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Munsters	M.T. Moore	Rhoda	Tail	Odd Couple	Bewitched
43	Highlander: The Series	Movie: The Outlaw Josey Wales (1976) Clint Eastwood. Chief Dan George. ***							Silk Stalkings		Big Date
44	Cancon de Amor	Maria Barrio	Canaveral de Pasiones		Bienvenidos				Noticiero	P. Impacto	Hoy Daniela
45	Combat at Sea	Cops and Robbers	Battle of Chattanooga		Automobiles				Year by Year		Cops/Rob
46	Kickoff	RPM 2Night	Motoworld	Showdown in Miami: Stanley Cup Finals Gm. 4 -- Avalanche at Panthers					NHL 2Night		Auto Racing

FRIDAY

OCTOBER 4

	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
22	Pooh	Mermald	Wonderland	Umbrella	Groundling	Pooh Crnr.	Ducktales	Care Bears	Dumbo	Wonderland	GummiBr
23	Today				Leza		Geraldo Rivera	Real Life	Days-Lives		
24	Nutrition	Nutrition	Sesame Street		Lamb Chop	Storytime	Mr Rogers	Imaginand	Barney	Puzzle Place	Kidsong
25	Brady	Bewitched	Little House on the Prairie		Boos?	Family Ties	Empty Nest	Griffith	(:05) Matlock		Movie:
26	Good Morning America				Live -- Regis & Kathie Lee		Cary & Marilyn: Friends	Medicine Woman	News		
27	BugsDaffy	Animaniacs	Woody	Bewitched	Griffith	Empty Nest	Charlie's Angels	Geraldo Rivera	News		
28	This Morning				Ricki Lake		Price Is Right	Young and the Restless	News		
29	Bobby	Duchs	The Mask	C. Sandiego	Fox After Breakfast		Maureen O'Boyle	K. Copeland	Paid Prog.	Matlock	
30	Sportcenter		Sportcenter						Sportcenter		Sr. PGA
31	Highway to Heaven		Waltons			700 Club		FIT TV	Rescue 911		Home
32	Movie: Muscle Beach Party ** 1/2		(:35) Movie: Gung Ho	Michael Keaton. ** 1/2 PG-13		Movie: Chaplin (1992) Robert Downey Jr., Dan Aykroyd.					Movie:
33	Death on the Job	Movie: For Keeps	Molly Ringwald. 'PG-13'	(:45) Movie: Revolution (1985) Al Pacino, Nastassja Kinski. ** PG		Movie: (15) Movie: Forever Young	Ma' Gibson.				
34	(6:30) Movie: Oblivion 'NR'	Movie: Fandango	Kevin Costner. 'PG'	Movie: In the Line of Duty: Cop		(:15) Movie: Sidewalks of New York (1931)					
35	Movie: Split Marriage	Movie: Doughboys (1930), Sally Eilers **	(:25) Movie: Free and Easy (1930) ** 1/2	Movie: Sidewalks of New York (1931)							
36	(Off Air)		VideoMorning		Dallas				Alene's Crafts		Wildhorse
37	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Mandela's Fight		Home Matters		Housemart!	Start	Interior Mot.		Home
38	McMillan and Wife				Lovejoy Mysteries		New Mike Hammer	Quincy	Equalizer		
39	Baby Knows	KidsDays	Sisters		Designing	Our Home	Main Ingrid.	Handmade	Living	Our Home	Designing
40	Press Box	Press Box	Paid Prog.	Get Fit	Body Squad	Body Squad	World Team Tennis	St. Louis Aces	At Delaware Smash		Equestrian
41	JonQuest	Scobby Dooby Doo	Flintstones	Gilligan	Gilligan	Knots Landing		CHiPs			Thunder
42	Looney Tunes	Rugrats	Busy World	Rupert	Muppets	Allegra	Gullah	Little Bear	Blus's Clues	Busy World	
43	Mighty Max	Sonic	Weird Sc.	Facts of Life	Murder, She Wrote	Major Dad	Major Dad	Wanted	Top Cops	People	
44	Pizza Sesa	El Chavo	Cheespritz		Papa Solt.	Dr Perez	La Picara Sonadora	Divina Obsesion		Morelia	
45	Classroom		History Showcase		Real West						A.D.
46	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Crunch	Training	Flex Appeal	Crunch	Gotta Sweat	Fitness	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Sports Babe

	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
22	C. Brown	Donald	Pooh	Movie: Return From Witch Mountain 'G'	C. Brown	Tale Spin	Ducktales	Chip 'n' Dale	Goof Troop		
23	Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones		Maury		Oprah Winfrey		NBC News		
24	Body Elec.	Legendary Trails	Paetee	Cartoon	Taste of La.	Reading	C. Sandiego	Science Guy	Creatures	Wichbone	
25	(:12:05) Movie: Smokey and the Bandit II	Flintstones	Scobby-Doo	Taz-Mania	JonQuest	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.		
26	Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Montel Williams		Roseie O'Donnell		News	ABC News		
27	News	Magnum, P.I.	Beauty and the Beast	Beverly Hills, 90210		Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell		
28	Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Dating	Newlywed	Day & Date		News	CBS News		
29	Matlock	Little House on the Prairie	Mr. Cooper	Step-Step	Eek!stravag	Batman	Beetlebruce	Rangers	Fresh Fr.	Simpsons	
30	Inside PGA	PGA Golf: Las Vegas Invitational	Baseball	Major League Baseball Playoffs Divisional Round Game 3 -- Teams to Be Announced							
31	(:12:00) Home & Family		ShopDrop	Shopping	Small Talk	WaitTil	New Family Challenge	C. Burnett	C. Burnett		
32	Movie:	Movie: Fate is the Hunter	Glenn Ford. ***	Movie: Harmony Cats (1993) Kim Coates, Jim Byrnes.		Movie: Gung Ho (1986)					
33	(:12:00) Movie: Wild Thing	Movie: Fast Forward	John Scott Clough. ** PG	Ghost-Dark.	Movie: Crime of the Century	Stephen Rea. ***					
34	Movie:	Movie: Little Women	Winona Ryder. *** 1/2 PG	Movie: The Karate Kid, Part Two	Ralph Macchio. 'PG'	Movie: Next Karate					
35	Movie: Passion. Plumb	(:45) Movie: What! No Beer? (1935) **		Movie: Paradise for Three (1938) Robert Young. **		Movie: Balalaika (1939) **					
36	Wildhorse	VideoPM	America's Country Hits	Dallas		Wildhorse Saloon		Club Dance			
37	Home	Housemart!	Interior Mot.	Great Chefs	Cuisine	Great Chefs	Travelers		Go for It!		
38	Equalizer	McMillan and Wife		Lovejoy Mysteries		New Mike Hammer	Quincy		Supernat!	Debt	
39	Nurses	Movie: Benefit of the Doubt (1993), Amy Irving. ** 1/2		L.A. Law		Commlah			Supernat!	Debt	
40	Equestrian	Horseworld	Rodeo	Baseball	Playing	Pathfinders	Football	Big 12 Show	WAC Mag.		
41	Thunder	How the West Was Won	Wild, Wild West	Movie: The Far Horizons (1955) Charlton Heston. ***		In the Heat of the Night					
42	Storytime	Gumby	Chipmunks	Nick in the Afternoon		You Afraid?	Rocko's Life	Clarissa	Tiny Toon		
43	Live With the People's Court, Love Connection & the Big Date			Wanted	Top Cops	Wings	Wings	Renegade			
44	Morelia	Confidente de Secundaria		Cristina		Primer Impacto					
45	(:10:00) A.D.	Story of the USS Intrepid	Real West		A.D.						
46	Sports Babe	Amazing Games	NFL Great	NFL Great	Auto Racing	FIA Formula One -- Argentina Grand Prix			Sportsman	Racing	

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23	News	Ent. Tonight	Major League Baseball Playoffs Divisional Round Game 3 -- Teams to Be Announced		News	(:35) Tonight Show					
24	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Wash. Week	Wall St.	Sweet Honey in the Rock	Red Green	Fewty T.	Keeping Up	Charlie Rose		
25	Video	(:05) Movie: The Great Outdoors (1988) **		(:15) Movie: National Lampoon's Animal House (1978) ** 1/2							
26	News	Wh. Fortune	Fam. Mat.	Sabrina	Cluesless	Boy-World	20/20	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
27	Fam. Mat.	Bzzz!	Movie: The War of the Roses (1989) ***		News		Wipeout		Heat		
28	News	Home Imp.	Dave's	Raymond	Mr. & Mrs. Smith		Nash Bridges		HS Football	Late Show	
29	Roseanne	Mad-You	Sliders		X-Files		Star Trek: Voyager		Mad-You	Martin	Real TV
30	Sportcenter		NHL Hockey Colorado Avalanche at St. Louis Blues		Rescue 9						

Yankees even up series

Palmer's error in 12th allows winning run

By RONALD BLUM
AP Sports Writer
NEW YORK (AP) - The Yankees were desperately hanging on.

For three straight innings, Texas had put on the leadoff runner, threatening to take the lead, threatening to go home to Arlington with a 2-0 lead in the AL playoff series.

Then, as rain began to fall through the Bronx, it turned around. First, Dean Palmer flied out with the bases loaded and two outs in the 12th. Then, in the bottom half, Palmer threw away Charlie Hayes' bunt, allowing Derek Jeter to score for a 5-4 victory Wednesday night.

"If we had lost, we'd have had to go to Texas and win three in a row, and that's too tough," Jeter said. "It's still going to be a struggle, but we like our chances."

When the best-of-5 series resumes Friday night, Jimmy Key will pitch for the Yankees against Darren Oliver.

"We came in here to win two," Rangers manager Johnny Oatés said. "We tried to make all the moves and then we ran out of players. The pitching was getting thin at the end."

In a 4-hour, 25-minute marathon, the Yankees used seven pitchers and the Rangers used five.

Mike Stanton came in to start the 12th, gave up a leadoff single to Jeter and then walked Tim Raines. Mike Henneman relieved at that point, and Hayes, who hit a sacrifice fly batting for Wade Boggs in the seventh, bunted to third. Palmer, who made the defensive play of the game on Paul O'Neill's grounder in the series opener, then threw the ball somewhere near the tarp.

"It was a little bit wet," Palmer said. "Still, it's a routine play."

In the early going, Juan Gonzalez homered twice off Andy Pettitte to give the Rangers a 4-1 lead. He wrapped a homer just inside the left-field foul pole in the second and hit a three-run drive in the fourth following a double by Kevin Elster and a walk to Rusty Greer.

"Tonight was a real charge for us," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "This was a better victory than if we would have won it from the first inning because of how emotional it was for us."

Texas, the top fielding team in the majors this year, gave New York a gift run in the second when Palmer and starter Ken Hill made consecutive bad throws on potential double-play grounders, getting only one out each time. The second, by Jim Leyritz, scored Tino Martinez.

Cecil Fielder, back at DH after Darryl Strawberry replaced him in the opener, homered in the fourth and singled in the tying run off Jeff Russell in the eighth.

The game then turned into a battle of the bullpens, with New York's Mariano Rivera, John Wetteland, Graeme Lloyd, Jeff Nelson, Kenny Rogers and Brian Boehringer combining for 5 2-3 scoreless innings.

"It was kind of emptied out by the time I came in to pitch," said Boehringer, who got the victory.

Exactly one year earlier, the Yankees and Mariners played past midnight in Game 2 of their series. New York won that one in 15 innings to take a 2-0 series lead, then lost three straight at the Kingdome.

"It started raining, and I said to Tino, 'This is exactly like last year,'" Nelson recalled. "It's starting to rain and it's after 1 o'clock."

With the series shifting to the Ballpark in Arlington, Texas figures to have the advantage. The Rangers have won 13 of their last 16 at home against the Yankees, including five of six this year.

"We didn't dwell on the win last night," Texas second baseman Mark McLemore said. "We won't dwell on the loss tonight."

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O's take 2-0 advantage over Tribe

By DAVID GINSBURG
AP Sports Writer
BALTIMORE (AP) - The Cleveland Indians finally get to utilize the home-field advantage Friday in their first-round AL playoff series against the Baltimore Orioles.

At this point, though, it might be too late to benefit from it.

The Baltimore Orioles won the first two games of the best-of-5 series at Camden Yards, and now they've got their winningest pitcher poised to apply the clincher.

The Orioles got another home run from Brady Anderson and broke a tie in a controversial eighth inning to beat the Indians 7-4 Wednesday and move within one win of eliminating the defending AL champions.

Cleveland won 99 games, best in the majors, while the Orioles grabbed the wild-card berth on the second-to-last day of the season. But Baltimore got the first two games at home, and took full advantage of it.

"All of a sudden we're in a hole, and we haven't gotten to play at home," said Cleveland's Jack McDowell (13-9), who will oppose Mike Mussina (19-11) in Game 3 Friday at Jacobs Field. "But that's the way it's set up, and that's what we have to deal with."

The Orioles went 0-6 in Cleveland last season, but this year's team is poised to do something that's never been done - advance in the playoffs as a wild-card team.

"You don't need no pep talk. This is what it's all about," Baltimore's Bobby Bonilla said. "This is very special and elite. These guys can sense that. They can feel it."

The Indians, on the other hand, are starting to feel the pressure of being pushed to the brink of elimination.

"They're getting the big hits. In a couple of instances, we haven't," McDowell said. "It's going to be a tough matchup, but hopefully we can bring our game up a notch."

The Indians will have to, because they've never held the lead in the series and have thus far been outscored 17-8.

"It was nice to get two victories at home," Bonilla said. "We still have some work to do, but it's a lot easier to go in there trying to get one win than it is trying to get two. We accomplished a lot by winning this game, no question about that."

It wasn't easy. Anderson's second homer in as many games helped Baltimore take a 4-0 lead after five innings. But Albert Belle hit a two-run homer to spark a comeback that helped Cleveland pull into a 4-4 tie in the eighth.

Then Baltimore bounced back in the bottom of the inning. Bonilla drew a leadoff walk from Eric Plunk and Cal Ripken hit a ground-rule double before Eddie Murray was given an intentional walk to load the bases.

Paul Assenmacher relieved, and B.J. Surhoff hit a tapper back to the mound. Assenmacher threw home for a forcout, but - with Surhoff running on the wrong side of the baseline - the throw from catcher Sandy Alomar bounced off the glove of first baseman Jeff Kent.

"He definitely blocked my view," Alomar said. "I was trying to aim the ball but couldn't see Jeff clearly. Either (Surhoff) was running close to the grass or inside the line."

The wild throw allowed Ripken to score for a 5-4 lead, and brought Indians manager Mike Hargrove out of the dugout to discuss the play with plate umpire Greg Kosco.

"Obviously Sandy did not make a good throw, but our contention was he had to alter his throw because Surhoff was running inside the line," Hargrove said. "In the umpire's judgment, they said that it didn't have anything to do with the way the play turned out."

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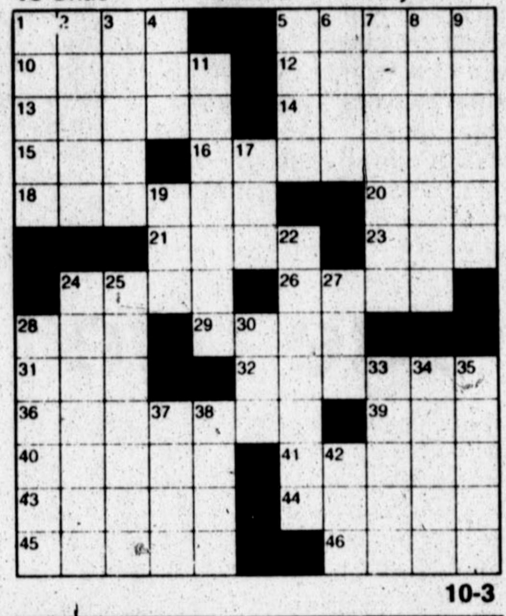
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Top CMA award goes to Brooks & Dunn

By JIM PATTERSON
Associated Press Writer
NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - The country music industry gave its most prestigious awards to old favorites Brooks & Dunn and George Strait and made white-hot sellers LeAnn Rimes and Shania Twain cool their heels.

After dominating the vocal duo category for five years, Kix Brooks and Ronnie Dunn won that one again and added the evening's top award, entertainer of the year.

Strait ended a six-year dry spell and won the most Country Music Association Awards of any artist Wednesday night, getting nods for

best male vocalist, single and album. "It's been awhile since I walked up those stairs," said Strait, who has been a consistent hitmaker for 15 years, but was last recognized by the industry voters who award CMAs in 1990, when he was named entertainer of the year.

Rimes and Twain, perched one-two on the country album sales charts, both came up empty. Twain has sold more than 8 million of her "The Women in Me" CD over the past 18 months.

Both were recognized with prominent performance slots during the show broadcast live by CBS from the Grand Ole Opry House.

"Man, she's awesome," said host Vince Gill after the 14-year-old Rimes sang the evening's first number, her hit "Blue." Rimes lost out on the Horizon Award for most promising artist to Bryan White, and voters picked Strait's "Check Yes or No" instead of her Patsy Cline-influenced "Blue."

In other major awards, The Mavericks won best group for the second straight year, Patty Loveless got best female vocalist, and song of the year was Gill's "Go Rest High on That Mountain."

"It's too hard to speak about it," Gill said of the song he wrote as a tribute to his late brother. "Just thank

you."

Loveless thanked her brother Roger Ramey, her former duet partner and manager.

"I've been making records for 10 years, and I've been waiting for this moment for a long time," she said.

Three greats were inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame: Buck Owens, Ray Price and the late Patsy Montana. Owens sang his classic "Act Naturally," and was inducted by singer Dwight Yoakam.

"Thanks and remember the great Don Rich, above all and everybody," Owens said. Rich, Owens' guitar player and harmony singer, died in a motorcycle crash in 1974.

Country music award winners

By The Associated Press
Winners of the 1996 Country Music Association awards Wednesday:
ENTERTAINER OF THE YEAR: Brooks & Dunn.
FEMALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR: Patty Loveless.
MALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR: George Strait.
SINGLE OF THE YEAR (for singer): "Check Yes or No," George Strait.
ALBUM OF THE YEAR: "Blue Clear Sky" by George Strait.
HORIZON AWARD: Bryan White.
VOCAL GROUP OF THE YEAR: The Mavericks.
VOCAL DUO OF THE YEAR: Brooks & Dunn.
MUSIC VIDEO OF THE YEAR: "My Wife Thinks You're Dead" by Junior Brown.
SONG OF THE YEAR (for songwriter): "Go Rest High on That Mountain" by Vince Gill.
VOCAL EVENT OF THE YEAR: Dolly Parton and Vince Gill for "I Will Always Love You."
MUSICIAN OF THE YEAR: Mark O'Connor.

Szymborska wins Nobel Prize in literature

By JIM HEINTZ
Associated Press Writer
STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) - Polish poet Wislawa Szymborska, whose work went from socialist realism to comparing Josef Stalin with the Abominable Snowman, won the Nobel Prize in literature today.

She was cited for "poetry that with ironic precision allows the historical and biological context to come to light in fragments of human reality."

Szymborska, 73, also is a critic. She lives in the Polish city of Krakow.

"I am very happy, stunned and frightened," she said on nationwide Radio Zet in her first reaction to the news. "I'm afraid I will not have a quiet life now. It is hard to believe but I was never hoping for an award."

Tadeusz Nyczek, a writer and literary critic told the Zycie daily that Szymborska was "Poland's best female poet since the war."

In its citation, the Swedish Academy said "the stylistic variety in her poetry makes it extremely difficult to translate, but there nevertheless exist a number of works in other languages so that the major part of her poetry is accessible to a wider readership."

In its citation, the academy quoted one of her poems, "Nothing Twice" from 1980, whose final stanza, translated into English, reads:

With smiles and kisses, we prefer

to seek accord beneath our star, although we're different (we concur) just as two drops of water are.

Her most recent book is 1993's "The End and the Beginning," not yet translated into English. Works available in English include "View With a Grain of Sand," "People on a Bridge" and "Sounds, Feelings, Thoughts: Seventy Poems."

This year's prize was the richest ever since it was first awarded in 1901 - \$1.12 million.

The Swedish Academy keeps its deliberations secret and doesn't say who was nominated for the prize. Informal surveys of critics and publishers turned up a score of names that were believed to have been nominees.

Exiled Chinese poet Bei Dao was high on many lists.

Other names included Belgium's Hugo Claus; J.M. Coetzee from South Africa; Ismail Kadare from Albania; Jaan Kross from Estonia; Gyorgy Konrad from Hungary; Doris Lessing from Britain; Jose Saramago and Antonio Lobo Antunes from Portugal; and Trinidad-born V.S. Naipaul.

Szymborska figured in many predictions, along with poets Vizma Belshевичa of Latvia and Gennady Aigi of Russia's Chuvashia region.

The literature prize was the first of this year's Nobels to be given. The prize for physiology or medicine will be announced Monday, followed by

economics on Tuesday. The separate awards for physics and chemistry will be on Oct. 9, and the peace prize on Oct. 11.

All the announcements are made in Stockholm, except for the peace prize, which is announced in Oslo, Norway.

O'Hair's son asks police to investigate disappearance

AUSTIN (AP) - More than a year after his mother was last seen, the estranged son of atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair has asked police to investigate the disappearance of his mother, half-brother and daughter.

The missing persons report was filed by William J. Murray, who lives in the Washington, D.C., area.

Murray, who disavowed his mother's atheist beliefs years ago, said Wednesday he felt it was time authorities looked into the trio's disappearance.

"For the sake of her grandchildren and supporters and the public at large, the time had come for some central agency to make a determination as to what had happened to her," Murray said Wednesday. "It just is that simple."

The 77-year-old woman who rose to prominence because of the lawsuit she filed that led to the 1963 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that outlawed organized prayer in public schools has not been seen for more than a year.

Also not reported seen in more than a year are Jon Garth Murray, 44, and Robin Murray-O'Hair.

A police spokesman said a car belonging to Robin Murray-O'Hair was impounded on Tuesday after officers found it parked on a remote lot at Robert Mueller Municipal Airport. The spokesman said he didn't know how long the vehicle had been there.

Ms. O'Hair told friends that she was going to New York City to picket the pope's appearance, but she was never seen in New York City.

William Murray said he was embarrassed at filing the report because he had been estranged from his mother for so long.

"There could have been some tragic accident on the road in which a car was destroyed and a plate melted," Murray said. "If there are three bodies lying in a morgue somewhere, there has to be some central agency to handle this."

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