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## Van crashes into apartment

One woman in an apartment was injured when a 1988 Chevrolet van (background) crashed into the side of the building at the Eldorado Arms Apartments Friday night. A 28-year-old woman

was taken to the hospital with unknown injuries. The driver of the van and her 4-year-old child were not injured, and no charges were filed.

## Taxes a problem, solution is tough, says Bush panel

**JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr.**  
Associated Press Writers

AUSTIN (AP) - Gov. George W. Bush's tax study committee reported Friday that rising school property taxes are a growing problem. But neither the panel nor Bush offered a specific plan for lowering the \$10 billion a year levy.

"The Citizen's Committee on Property Tax Relief can unequivocally state that substantial public sentiment exists for school property tax relief," the group reported.

However, it said, "Identifying problems is easy; solving them is hard. ... A consensus in support of a particular alternative to current school taxes did not evolve."

Bush reiterated his belief that rising property taxes are a time bomb, calling them "storm clouds on the horizon."

The tax committee and Bush said school property taxes hinder business investment and the ability of Texans to buy and keep their homes.

The Republican governor said he is convinced that Democratic legislative leaders and lawmakers of both parties have heard that message and will unite behind a plan to replace at least some of that local school money.

"I'm convinced something will be submitted to the Legislature. We don't have a specific plan in place yet. But as the Legislature approaches, I'm confident that people ... will agree that we need to start addressing the issue in a constructive way," Bush said.

Bush began talking about property tax relief in 1995, saying he hoped to see a tax relief bill passed by the 1997 Legislature.

The governor said that much has changed since he first raised the issue.

"Sixteen months ago, when I started talking about it, there was one voice: mine," he said.

But today, "Members of the Legislature are openly talking about the need to put together a bipartisan approach to listening to what Texans are saying and doing something about it."

This week, state Democratic Party Chairman Bill White said Bush's as yet unannounced 1998 re-election bid

might hinge on providing property tax relief.

Bush rejected that suggestion. "If there is a bill submitted and the members (of the Legislature) vote against it, I would submit that the members failed the people."

Just what form a tax relief plan might take remains the subject of speculation.

Both Bush and state Rep. Tom Craddick, who chairs the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee, said a personal income tax is out of the question.

Gubernatorial aides and legislative experts earlier suggested three tax options:

Widening or increasing the state sales tax, which already ranks among the nation's highest; creating a gross-receipts tax on total business revenue; and establishing a business-activity tax, which would tax the difference between the sales and costs that a business incurs.

The tax committee said a hybrid combination "may offer the best hope for a solution."

## Powell might accept post

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - Retired Army Gen. Colin Powell said Friday he would consider a cabinet post in President Clinton's new administration, although he added he has not been contacted by the White House.

"You always have to listen to your president," Powell told The Orlando Sentinel for Saturday's editions.

Powell, former national security advisor and chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has been mentioned as a possible successor to Secretary of State Warren Christopher or Secretary of Defense William Perry.

Powell denied rumors during the Republican National Convention in August that presidential nominee Bob Dole had offered to make him secretary of state if elected.

The White House on Friday would not say whether Powell, who has worked for three presidents, was being considered for a cabinet position.

## Combest says GOP hopes to avoid stalemate, push ahead with agenda

**BY SPEEDY NIEMAN**  
Editor-Publisher

Hoping to avoid a stalemate without giving up on the goals Americans have indicated they want, Republicans will push for a balanced budget amendment and progress on other issues, U.S. Rep. Larry Combest said Friday.

The Lubbock Republican congressman, visiting with West Texas editors and publishers in a telephone conference call Friday morning, said the House will try to stop raises in taxes on programs that would be a regulatory burden.

Combest was not pleased with the presidential result, naturally, but he said from a congressional side "that

the checks and balances will be in place, which is what Americans apparently wanted."

Now that the election is over, said Combest, "I hope the lies and rhetoric on Medicare is behind us and the truth on what Republicans are trying to do to save the program will surface."

He added it was "unfortunate that the distortions and scare tactics used by the Democrats to claim the GOP was cutting Medicare stuck with too many voters." The national media didn't seem to try much to set the record straight, he said.

Combest, a ranking member of the House Ag Committee, said his status will be determined when the House

reorganizes in a few weeks. The worst case scenario, he said, is that he will be vice chairman of the committee.

Asked about the House speaker's post now held by Newt Gingrich, the congressman said that is also to be determined in the reorganization, but he has seen no indication that there will be a change.

"There will be a Republican and a Democrat nominated, and I can tell you that I will vote for the Republican," said Combest. "I have had some differences with the Speaker, especially on the farm bill of 1995, but he is not in my district. I vote for the best interests of my constituents."

The tax cuts proposed by Dole are not likely to happen, said Combest, because President Clinton will not accept the plan. The GOP will watch Clinton's line-item veto power, but the party will need help from conservative Democrats to override a veto.

Asked if he thought some of Clinton's new cabinet members might be easier to work with, Combest said it would be a wait-and-see proposition. "We don't know who they are yet, and they will have to go through the confirmation process. They will be scrutinized and some pointed questions will be asked."

## Veterans Day Monday: 'Remember them always or their sacrifice will have been in vain'

# Two local veterans recall World War II events

### Smart wounded in Iwo Jima landing

**By SHERRI MARTIN**  
Staff Writer

Veterans Day falls on Nov. 11, but this Monday Jeff Smart of Hereford will be thinking about February of 1945. He remembers landing on the volcanic island of Iwo Jima at that time.

Smart, 74, served as a Private First Class in the Fifth Division of the 28th Regiment of the United States Marines.

He traveled to the Pacific Ocean aboard the USS Lubbock, then transferred to a landing boat.

When the landing boat hit the beach, Smart said, the raft was lowered and the Marines went right out of the boat.

"I didn't even get my feet wet," he said.

Smart will never forget what he saw after he landed. "Most of us...I mean I did...I'm sure most others could see dead Marines laying all over the place that had already been killed."

"When I hit, there was a dead Marine and I nearly fell right on top of him," he said.

Because so many Marines in such a confined space, Smart said, he could hardly move.

"The Japanese from the volcano could see everything we did, every movement we made they could observe," he said.

Smart was nearly run over by a tank while hiding in a trench.

"I stuck my rifle up, hoping they would see it," he said. And he narrowly escaped danger.

However, on his third day on the island, Smart was

hit by a shrapnel.

The wound left scars on his face and other parts of his body. Also, slivers of shrapnel still remain in his body.

"Most of it's still there," he said.

Smart was awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received in action against an enemy of the United States on Feb. 21, 1945.

"It means a lot to me that I got it and I'm still alive because a lot of them didn't live," he said.

"It's a decoration that you don't want to get. But once you receive it, then it becomes a prized possession," he said.

Smart and his wife, Pat, have attended reunions of the Fifth Marine Division and Paratroopers for the past 12 to 15 years.

At the reunions, former Marines renew friendships, remember fallen heroes and review battlefield accomplishments.

"We enjoy it. I think my wife kind of enjoys it too," he said.

Smart has seen fellow Marines at the reunions that he has not seen since the war. There are a few new faces each year, he said.

"I was surprised that there are so many of our Fifth Division -- the ones that landed on Iwo Jima. I was surprised that so many of us really survived," he said.

Smart was given a photograph, which is the only group photo that he was in, at a recent reunion.

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### Brownd re-visits Solomon Islands

**By BECKY CAMP**  
Lifestyles Editor

Local islanders of Munda in the South Pacific Ocean still remember World War II.

So does Gid Brownd who was stationed on that island when he served with the 13th Air Force, 321st Bomb Group, 9th Service Squadron during the war.

His memories of more than 50 years ago were recently refreshed while a scuba diving tour he was on visited many of the places in the Solomon Islands where he was during the war.

"I didn't want to make the trip when Carl (his son) first asked me to go, but he and my wife, Juanita, kept after me about it until I changed my mind," said Brownd. "And now I'm glad I went."

Reminders of the war are still evident and more are found frequently. According to Brownd, "Children playing are forever bringing in bullets, hand grenades and the like."

Since the islands were occupied by both Allied and Japanese forces, memorials have been built to both. At Honiara, Guadalcanal, an old fighter air strip is now a golf course.

While on Guadalcanal, Brownd and his son also visited the old control tower at Henderson Air Field. Brownd remembered landing at Henderson on each flight.

"The tower was rebuilt 13 times during the war. Across from Henderson's tower was a place where the Japanese had their pagoda (temple). When the American troops captured it, they found an ice machine.

And they put it to good use at headquarters."

From Guadalcanal, Brownd and his son flew in a 1978 twin engine Britten prop plane to the New Georgia Islands, to the island of Munda where he had been stationed for three months in 1943.

Even though much of the old air field had grown back to jungle, relics of the war were as evident on Munda as on Guadalcanal.

Brownd said, "We visited a cave near the air strip that the Japanese had dug during the war for command headquarters and a hospital. There were still medicine bottles and needles in the cave."

From the cave, they traveled over a road of coral and limestone that was built by American troops and has not been repaired since the war ended, but is still passable.

The road led to a location where Japanese anti-aircraft guns were still mounted and riddled with bullet holes from air strafing.

Brownd remembered, "While I was stationed at Munda, a Japanese plane dropped a bomb nearly in the middle of my tool box next to an aircraft I had been working on only minutes before. I had gone to get a cup of coffee and a sandwich."

The islanders have their memories of the war. One Brownd spoke with was only 8 years old when the island was occupied. He recalled surviving for months in the jungle while hiding from the Japanese who forced captured island men to work and who sometimes raped

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# Skyline Ranch provides boys from low-income families place to ride horses, roam ranch's land

By NORMA ADAMS-WADE  
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS - Until 9-year-old Amos Jamerson and his two brothers met Dallas businessman Robert Pitre, their only encounter with horses, ranches and swimming pools had been through television.

Pitre showed the youngsters the real thing at his Skyline Ranch, located on the city's southern edge.

Now Amos and his brothers, Quintin Griffin, 10, and Dominic Griffin, 6, are among the 20 South Dallas boys from low-income families who spend weekends riding and grooming horses, swimming, mending fences and roaming the ranch's lush terrain.

"They just love it," said Mattie Griffin, a relative and the three brothers' guardian. "They get really excited when it's time to go out there."

Amos, who says he wants to become a police officer, enjoys walking Valentine, a black-and-white pinto.

"He's gentle, and he takes you around in circles," he said.

Quintin said he loves to swim and ride horses, but likes helping Mr. Pitre, too.

"I help him pick up the trash, and we ride the horses," Quintin said. "It's fun."

Skyline Ranch, one of the largest black-owned ranches in Dallas, is 90 acres of good earth and financial promise, said Pitre, who owns Pitre Auto Sales, a used-car dealership in the South Dallas/Fair Park area.

The ranch is part of his plan to bring economic development and social rehabilitation to poverty-plagued neighborhoods in southern Dallas.

Boys there face many of the obstacles he did as a child, he said.

"I used to question God, asking, 'Why, God, did you bring me to South Dallas?'" Pitre said. "Now I know. These kids are the reason."

He also doesn't want kids to suffer the same fate as one of his sons, who served time in a juvenile facility for stealing a car and later was shot to death at the scene of another crime.

"It was hard to reach him," Pitre said.

Pitre said he grew up poor in a single-parent home and lived in the projects in Beaumont, Texas. But a rancher stepped in to serve as a positive influence, and Pitre said he always wanted to return the favor to other youths.

Friends call him a visionary, but one who puts feet to his dreams. He and a partner received a patent and public acclaim in 1990 for a converter that allows users to listen to television programs on their car radios. He is negotiating to have the device manufactured in South Dallas to boost jobs there. And he is writing a movie script about his social ideals while overseeing the 5.5 million square feet of real estate he owns throughout Dallas.

Much of it is south of downtown, including 27 acres in an enterprise zone.

Dallas businessman Comer Cottrell, a partner in some real estate ventures with Pitre, said his friend "was totally committed" to developing the ranch.

It was "a wreck" when Pitre bought it, said Cottrell, who urged him to bulldoze an old, condemned house on the property. But Pitre restored the house and made it the centerpiece of the ranch. He cleared rotted shelters for animals, put up a white picket fence and installed water and gas lines, a pool and all the entertainment facilities.

The ranch features horses, wagon and hiking trails, groves of pecan, oak and cedar trees, a spring, a fish pond, a lake, rolling hills, the pool, athletic courts for basketball, tennis and baseball, horseshoe pitching, a pavilion and picnic areas.

"I've always admired his ability to take nothing and make something of it," Cottrell said.

transformed the sprawling property into a public entertainment facility that will accommodate as many as 5,000 guests. They also use the ranch to help mold their 20 young charges

*'They just love it,' said Mattie Griffin, 'they get really excited when it's time to go out there'*

from poor homes in South Dallas.

"It's become such a passion for us," Mrs. Pitre said.

Pitre said he first began helping boys in the neighborhood when a barefoot 6-year-old wandered over to his car lot on a cold, drizzly day about three years ago.

Pitre bought the boy a pair of athletic shoes and "gave him his own office" - an unused room at the car lot.

The boy soon told others in the neighborhood about his private office, new shoes and the nice man he had met. Soon, other

boys came by. Pitre said he met many of the boys' parents and saw that they could use help with their sons. Later, the weekly ranch visits began.

The Pitres help provide the boys with tutoring, clothing, medical needs and recreational training, including karate, wrestling and golf. They make

sure a bus picks them up for church each Sunday. As a reward for good behavior, the boys have access to all the ranch can offer on weekends. They learn how to care for the horses and help the Pitres and their 4-year-old son, Jordan, tend the property.

"I always felt this was the perfect place for me," Pitre said of the ranch. "But this is a long way from the projects of Beaumont."

He said he still marvels that he was able to buy the sprawling ranch where he used to rent stalls for his horses. Owning a ranch was his boyhood

dream.

African-American boys in South Dallas have little chance for such experiences, he said. And they face tougher obstacles today than he faced growing up in the 1950s, he said.

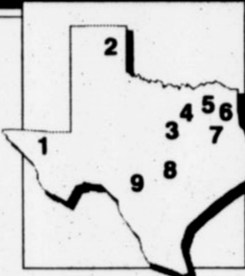
"I ask myself, if I grew up in the same environment as these boys, would I be the same man I am today?" he said. "I'd have to say no."

The Pitres have reached out to their community in other ways. They fed about 150 people for several Christmases, including homeless people and people with no family in town.










### Keeping an eye on Texas

#### Fall foliage forecast

Although pictured in black and white below, Texas leaves over the next months will display a burst of autumn colors from yellow and gold to rust and flaming red. In addition to the locations listed, call the Fall Foliage Hotline 1-800/452-9292 for weekly updates on Texas fall color.



**Leaves and locations**

 <b>1. Quaking Aspen:</b> Guadalupe Mountains National Park, Salt Flat (915/828-3251)	 <b>6. Red Maple:</b> East Texas Chamber of Commerce, Longview (903/757-4444)
 <b>2. Cottonwood:</b> Canadian Chamber of Commerce, Canadian (806/323-6234)	 <b>7. Dogwood:</b> Autumn Color Steam Train, Palestine/Rusk (1-800/442-8951)
 <b>3. Southern Red Oak:</b> Cleburne State Park, Cleburne (817/645-4215)	 <b>8. Pawpaw:</b> Wildflower Research Center, Austin (512/292-4200)
 <b>4. Sassafras:</b> Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, Dallas (214/327-8263)	 <b>9. Big Tooth Maple:</b> Lost Maples State Natural Area, Vanderpool (1-800/792-1112)
 <b>5. Sweetgum:</b> Winnsboro Chamber of Commerce, Winnsboro (903/342-3666)	

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## As the Years Turn

(From the files of The Hereford Brand)

### 5 YEARS AGO

November 10, 1991--Teresa Baker, a senior at Hereford High School was named the 1991 Football Queen on Friday. She was crowned at the pep rally Friday afternoon and introduced before the Borger-Hereford game at Whiteface Stadium. ...Hereford High School's Mighty Maroon Band faces a tough field this week in the state marching band contest in Austin. ...For several months, members of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Umbarger have focused on the day for their annual fall festival. A sausage dinner will be held at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

### 10 YEARS AGO

November 9, 1986--Alleging impropriety in the entire operation of a 10-month undercover drug investigation which ended in a major countywide bust Jan. 23, the High Plains Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union has called for a U. S. Justice Department probe of the entities involved. ...The 1986 season of the Hereford Bass Club concluded recently with competition at Baylor Lake. Larry Buckley won the tournament and also placed first in the season standings. ...Since she is allergic to live, furry cats, Lori Sanders has collected porcelain, brass and ceramic cats. Lori's collection is on display at the Deaf Smith County library.

### 25 YEARS AGO

November 7, 1971--The Deaf Smith County United Fund, off to a good start before beginning to sputter in the late stages of the drive, failed again to reach its goal although it did surpass the amount collected during last year's drive. ...Mrs. Virgil Marsh and Mrs. Cora Bentley were honored recently at a Mother's Tea given by the Friendly Bluebird Group. ...Milo harvest on the Dwaine Walker farm north of Hereford got into full swing late last week during a brief period of good weather. Heavy moisture over the past few weeks kept area farmers out of their fields until fair weather last week.

### 50 YEARS AGO

November 7, 1946--The Hereford Whitefaces are riding the crest of the wave this week after toppling the Canyon Eagles from the undefeated brackets Saturday night in the District 1-A championship scramble. A crowd of more than 3,000 fans thronged Buffalo Stadium in Canyon to see the game. ...Two Hereford girls -- Mary Ruth Russell and Helen Jo Wilson -- are candidates for "sweater Queen" at West Texas State University. ...The County Council of the Deaf Smith County Home Demonstration Club met this week at the courtroom. The council is making plans for their annual Christmas party.

### 75 YEARS AGO

November 8, 1921--The Brand has been informed that the prospects for a new post office continue to brighten up. ...The real estate firm of Suggs and Bray announced this week the closing of two land deals. The local weather is simply ideal. The days are neither too cold nor too hot, with enough ozone to make them snap. ...Ethythe Bule and Ruth Smith were selected to the staff of the Daily Texan, the University of Texas newspaper.

## Hispanics back Clinton, Morales

By STEFANI G. KOPENEC  
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) - Hispanics, following tradition, strongly backed President Clinton and Democratic U.S. Senate nominee Victor Morales in the general election, but it wasn't enough for them to claim victory in Texas.

"It kept them from being beaten more badly than they were," said Jerry Polinard, professor of political science at the University of Texas-Pan American in Edinburg.

Republicans and Democrats alike predicted that Hispanics could provide the swing votes in both races. A Texas Democratic Party spokesman called the group's vote "a sleeping giant."

Indeed, a record 1.6 million Hispanics registered to vote, and officials with the San Antonio-based Southwest Voter Registration and Education Project conclude that 69 percent, or 1.1 million, cast ballots. Slightly more than 977,000 came to the polls on Election Day, including about 14 percent who voted for the first time.

Clinton, who hoped to be the first Democrat in 20 years to carry the Lone Star State, received more support among Hispanics than in his previous White House bid, a voter poll found.

Clinton garnered 75 percent of the Latino vote this year, compared with 58 percent in 1992. GOP candidate Bob Dole received 17 percent, while Reform Party nominee Ross Perot got 6, according to interviews Tuesday with voters at polling places and telephone interviews in the past week.

Overall, Clinton polled 44 percent, while Dole garnered 49 percent. Morales, Texas' first Hispanic major-party Senate nominee, was the clear winner among Latinos. He picked up nearly 80 percent of the vote in his race against incumbent GOP Sen. Phil Gramm.

But Hispanics accounted for only 16 percent of the Texas electorate. About 72 percent of the voters were white; and 10 percent, black.

Among the white Texans dominating the ballot, Clinton and Morales picked up only about a third of their votes.

Observers cited a number of factors for the political interest among Hispanics. Among them is a

sense of a growing anti-Latino sentiment, exhibited by new laws cracking down on illegal immigrants and restricting welfare benefits for legal aliens; barnstorming by the president and first lady in areas with high concentrations of Hispanics; some hotly contested local races; and Morales' candidacy.

"No one reason outweighed the other," said Ms. Camarillo, executive director of Southwest Voter Registration and Education Project, which conducted a massive registration effort. "I think they all weighed fairly evenly in terms of importance because every person came out for a different reason."

First-time voter Ramona Gonzalez, a 63-year-old farm worker, said she trusted Clinton to bring jobs to the Rio Grande Valley so people won't have to rely on welfare.

"We want him to bring jobs because here there is nothing," Gonzalez told The (McAllen) Monitor. "We don't want to depend on the government. We've always been laborers and the jobs are disappearing."

As a whole, poll results found Hispanic voters in the presidential race consider themselves slightly more moderate than liberal and clearly more moderate than conservative.

Texans overall consider themselves slightly more conservative than moderate, but both groups overwhelming outnumber liberals.

The voter poll was conducted by the Voter News Service for The Associated Press and five television networks.

## Bullock says Senate won't bicker

AUSTIN (AP) - Both Democratic and Republican leaders in the Texas Senate say they want to avoid the partisan bickering that has plagued Congress.

And Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock says the Senate will maintain its bipartisan spirit as long as he's there.

"We have seen what happens in Washington when they do that," Bullock said of partisan fighting. "It will be over my dead body before that ever happens in this state."

Republicans won 15 of the Senate's 31 seats in Tuesday's elections. Democrats currently hold

15, as well, but will lose one when Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, resigns to take the Congressional seat he won Tuesday.

That will give Republicans a temporary 15-14 majority. Control of the chamber will be decided in a special election to replace Turner and in a Dec. 10 runoff to replace Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, who left earlier this year to become chancellor of Texas Tech University.

Bullock, a powerful Democrat, controls much of the chamber under Senate rules. He has used his authority to name both Republicans

and Democrats to committee chairmanships and has worked closely with Republican Gov. George W. Bush.

He told The Dallas Morning News that he sat in "stunned silence" at a private meeting with four key Republican senators on Wednesday when they made suggestions about how the chamber should operate with a GOP majority.

The senators who met with Bullock are chairmen of four of the most influential Senate committees. Among them was Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown of Lake Jackson, the senior

ranking Republican in the Senate.

Also present were Sens. Teel Bivins of Amarillo, Bill Ratliff of Mount Pleasant and David Sibley of Waco.

"No demands were made," Brown said, declining to discuss specifics of the meeting. "We don't want to see the Texas Senate turn out like the Congress and be partisan to where we can't get anything done."

Brown said Republicans have not talked about changing chamber rules to remove some of the Democratic lieutenant governor's authority.

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### Kiwanian of the Month

Frank Prowell, right, was recognized for work on various Hereford Kiwanis Club projects by being named Kiwanian of the Month for October. Making the presentation this week was Mike Morrison, club president.

## Weight loss a problem for half ton man; has lost 84 pounds

By MICHAEL J. BURNS

### The Town Talk

ALEXANDRIA, La. (AP) - Albert Deville Jr. knew he had to do something about his weight when he couldn't gather enough strength to lift his 600-plus pounds out of bed.

It's not like the 29-year-old never noticed his bulk before.

"I never seen it was a problem. The only thing that happened was I couldn't walk very far because I would get out of breath," he said.

But now Deville knows he has to lose weight.

He has already dropped 84 pounds - down to 542 pounds - after spending the past month at Winward Hospital in Alexandria. He has been undergoing treatment for his weight problem, which he said is caused by his thyroid condition.

His goal is to weigh 250 pounds within the next two to three years, and the hospital staff has started the process of teaching him how to stick to a proper diet, exercise and tend to his medical problems. Those problems include his thyroid trouble, diabetes and high blood pressure.

Suffering from cellulitis, he woke with pain on the morning of Aug. 29, and an ambulance was sent to his parents' home near Deville.

They had to take off the end of the trailer to load Deville into the ambulance.

After getting the cellulitis taken care of in New Orleans, Deville wound up too weak to get out of bed. He spent days lying in bed and, while he said he lost some weight at home, he finally agreed to check into Winward.

Obesity has been a problem for Deville his entire life. He says he weighed 200 pounds when he was in the second or third grade.

He was so large during his school years he couldn't fit in the normal student desks.

He quit school in the ninth grade, in part he said because teachers were "I guess irritated" at him for needing a special desk.

He ended up getting his GED diploma in 1991, but he has never held a job, again, he thinks, because of his weight. He has applied for jobs

in the past, but no one has hired him.

Deville has received social security payments since he was 18 because of his weight and problems he has developed with his legs and back.

He said he would go fishing and sometimes helped out a friend at a store near his house.

Trips to the mall were tough, with Deville only being able to walk from one bench to another before having to sit down for 10 minutes and his feet would "start burning on the bottom."

Until he got married in June 1995, he was only able to wear overalls that were altered by his sister. He now gets his clothes at a boutique for large people.

His brother has had to fix the driver's seats in Deville's cars and put on a smaller steering wheel to accommodate his girth.

He said he doesn't eat a big amount of food, although he admits he sometimes would drink a two-liter Coca-Cola in an hour or two.

A normal meal consisted of meat, rice, gravy and biscuits before he was put on a 2,000-calorie-a-day diet at Winward.

His wife, Tiffany, said most of the time their meals consisted of unhealthy fried foods and the like. But she now vows to start cooking healthy foods as part of the diet and exercise regime he will be on when

he leaves the hospital next week.

This won't be the first time Deville has tried to lose weight.

Deville was on one diet program in which he lost 131 pounds in a year, "and then, as usual, I got tired of being on a diet ... and I just gave it up and went back to eating and stuff," he said.

The staff at the hospital has him on what he described as a bland diet of three meals and three snacks a day.

He also undergoes physical therapy to improve his conditioning.

Just four weeks ago, Deville had difficulty walking 30 feet without being "out of breath."

Kathy Noe, a certified dietary manager at Winward, said if Deville sticks to the regimen worked out at the hospital, he will reach his goal.

It's more than the diet, though, Ms. Noe said. It's a combination of the treatment of his thyroid disease, diabetes, and sticking to his diet and exercise regime, she said. "The most important thing is the patient wants to lose weight," she added.

Deville swears it's for real this time.

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## Fergie says she lacked royal stuff

LONDON (AP) - Fergie admits she never had the royal stuff.

In her autobiography, the Duchess of York says that as a royal she was a national disgrace, the Daily Mirror reported today.

"I was hopeless from the start, the wrong person in the wrong place at the wrong time," she is quoted as saying in "My Story," to be published later this month.

The duchess, Sarah Ferguson, says she could not bear the crusty life of Buckingham Palace. But she doesn't blame the Queen for getting angry when she put her foot in another's mouth.

"The queen was furious," Fergie, 37, said of the time she was photographed topless having her toes sucked by a lover while her daughters played nearby.

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# Farm and Ranch

## Keeping an eye on Texas

### Mesquite sales climbing

Texas farmers and ranchers have tried burning, poisoning, chopping and bulldozing, but mesquite trees that grow naturally across the state have recently been harvested for profit. Sales of mesquite lumber and wood chips, used for barbecuing, have increased the potential of a scrubby tree previously considered a nuisance.

#### Mesquite

Grows naturally on 55 million acres in Texas.

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Texas annual sales: about \$20 million.

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, July Fiscal Notes; and Texas A&M University.



## Local feedyards place high in TCFA contest

The cattle feeding country of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico has long been known as the best place to feed cattle. And the best of the best were recognized as winners of the 1996 TCFA Fed Beef Challenge during the "Riding the Wave of Change" annual convention of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA) Oct. 28 in Houston.

Sponsored by TCFA, the Fed Beef Challenge is a contest designed to let cattle feeders compete in producing the high quality beef that consumers

## FFA holds food drive

Hereford FFA held its annual canned food drive on Monday.

Forty members participated in the food drive which benefits needy families in Hereford.

The members were divided into five teams and given one hour to collect as much food as they could.

FFA member participating were Dustin Wheeler, Trent Barber, Emilee Hafliger, Janae Schlabs, Eric Gomez, Pecos Alford, Rebecca Drayer, Kip Kendrick, Riley Hall, Ronnie Jenkins, Nicholas Paschel, Deverick Barnes, Brent Carlson, Brant Busby, Zack Wall, Michael Morrison, Scottie Brewer, Justin Landrum, Jeremy Schumacher, Cory Marsh, Erica Delgado, Raquel Valdivinos, Jeramie Smithey, Stephen Wheeler, Lindsay Ward, Craig Campbell, Jennifer Phipps, Amy Killingsworth, Jennifer Maeder, Justin Wheeler, Ben Sublett, Nelson Beville, Josh Stubbs, Truett Schlabs, Shyla Martin, Jerry Baird, Chris Barnett, Cassie Abney, Jim Bob Messer and Darren Gilley.

## FFA members go to contest

Several Hereford FFA members competed in the District Leadership Contest on Saturday, Nov. 9 at Texas Tech University.

The results of Hereford FFA members are as follows:

#### DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONTEST

CREED--Ben Sublett, third place.

QUIZ--Nelson Beville, Ben Sublett, Riley Hall and Janae Schlabs; third.

RADIO--Loretta Camp, Rebecca Drager and Krista Warren; sixth.

## Agriculture Briefs

DALLAS (AP) - Five-pound sweet potatoes about the size of your arm might win a prize at the state fair, but they're scoring no points with farmers who depend on them for profit.

This year, a combination of drought and then heavy rains produced a fast-growing potato that is too big for even a Texan's plate, and it's a nightmare for northeast Texas sweet potato farmers.

"It just makes you sick," said grower Bryan McCreight, who grew some of the largest sweet potatoes in the region this year.

While some of the orange tubers weighed in at five pounds or more, producers said grocery store shoppers like them smaller than two pounds and shaped like a fist for easier preparation.

A sweet potato plant that in a normal year would set five to six potatoes per hill produced only one or two.

## Wetlands Reserve Program begins open-season format for landowners

Instead of using conventional two or three week sign-up periods as in previous years, the popular U.S. Department of Agriculture Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) began an open-season format for landowners to enroll in the program beginning Oct. 1.

The open-season format means that the sign-up period for enrollment will continue over the coming months. Landowners who feel they have lands that qualify for the program can stop by local offices of the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) to obtain more information and apply for the program.

The new 1996 Farm Bill, or Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, required that to the extent practicable, beginning Oct. 1, one-third of the remaining WRP acres be enrolled through the use of permanent easements, one-third through the use of 30-year easements and one-third through the use of restoration cost-share agreements.

After Oct. 1, no new permanent easements can be enrolled until at least 43,333 acres of non-permanent easement are enrolled in the program

nationwide.

As in previous sign-ups, the WRP objectives are to purchase conservation easements from, or enter into cost-sharing agreements with, willing owners of eligible land. The program also helps eligible landowners restore the original hydrology, native vegetation and natural topography of eligible lands. Another program objective is to restore and protect the functions and values of wetlands in the agricultural landscape.

Under the 1996 Farm Bill, the primary emphasis of the WRP is to restore the functions and values of wetland ecosystems to attain habitat for wildlife and migratory birds, including threatened and endangered species.

The WRP is administered by the NRCS in concurrence with the Farm Service Agency and in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other cooperating agencies and organizations like local soil and water conservation districts and Cooperative Extension Service.

Texas has been a national leader in the enrollment acres in the WRP helping to convert former or degraded wetlands back into healthy, produc-

tive wetland ecosystems for the betterment of this state and nation.

For more information on the WRP, contact the local office of the NRCS (formerly the Soil Conservation

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All 4-H and FFA members and their parents must attend this meeting if they plan to show during the upcoming show season.

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# Sports

## Herd falters in finale; Eagles make playoffs

By JAY PEDEN  
Sports Editor

The Hereford Whitefaces saw Canyon roll off four touchdowns in the first half, and the Herd never saw the Canyon end zone.

Canyon earned a playoff berth with its 34-0 win Friday night at Whiteface Stadium. The Eagles improved to 6-4 overall and 4-2 in District 1-4A. That was good enough for third place and the district's third playoff berth. Borger also finished 4-

2 but lost to Canyon.

Hereford's season ended at 3-6 overall and 2-4 in district.

The most-telling statistic: Canyon rushed for 314 yards, and Hereford rushed for 29 yards.

"There were two keys to the game, I thought," Herd coach Craig Yenser said after ending his first year as head coach.

"Number one: we were just unable to get anything going offensively," he said. "We were unable to move the

ball and we struggled with our passing game.

"Defensively, we could not stop the running game. We struggled in the interior, and they pounded it at us.

"We didn't play as well as we wanted to," Yenser said. "We let Canyon out-physical us."

Hereford stopped Canyon on the Eagles' first possession. Canyon went for a fourth down conversion after driving to the Herd 40-yard line, but Hereford's Adam Jimenez stopped

tailback Keith Wright for no gain.

That was just about the last time Canyon or Wright would be stopped.

Wright picked off Joseph Artho's pass three plays later, setting up a six-play, 42-yard touchdown drive. Wright ran seven yards for the score, and Charlie Russell kicked the extra point for a 7-0 lead.

Canyon went on to score with each of its next three possessions. Wright went on to rush for 184 yards - all in the first three quarters.

The Eagles went up 10-0 briefly on Russell's 37-yard field goal, but a roughing-the-kicker penalty gave Canyon enough yards for the first down. Canyon took the penalty and took the points off the scoreboard.

The points - plus four - went back up on the next play. Quarterback Jason Rahlfs rolled out and hit Dustin Turner for a 16-yard TD pass. Russell's kick made it 14-0.

A questionable fumble cost Hereford its next possession. The Herd drove to the Canyon 39-yard line when Artho threw to C.J. Kubacak over the middle. The ball hit Kubacak, but he never seemed to have control of it before he dropped it. It was ruled a fumble, however, and Canyon recovered the ball at its own 31-yard line.

Seven plays later, Wright scored his second touchdown on a two-yard run, which was set up by a 26-yard reception by Turner. Russell's kick pushed the lead to 21-0.

Next, Canyon went 66 yards in six plays for a two-yard scoring run by Rahlfs. The key plays were back-to-back runs of 22 yards by Wright and 23 yards by Rahlfs. Russell missed the kick, but Canyon led 27-0 at halftime.

Hereford never got close to scoring in the second half. Once, in the third quarter, the Herd drove to the Canyon 39-yard line, but an Eagle came through the line untouched to sack Artho and force a fumble, which Canyon recovered 23 yards behind the line of scrimmage.

Hereford's defense stopped Canyon several times in the second half, twice on fumbles in Herd territory.

Late in the third quarter, Herd linebacker Jeremy Reiter crushed Rahlfs for a sack and forced a fumble, which Hereford's Bobby Barba recovered.

Wright coughed up a fumble on the first play of the fourth quarter, and Jacob Gonzales recovered for the Herd.

Hereford couldn't capitalize on either fumble.

Russell attempted two long field goals in the second half - a 50-yarder and a 51-yarder - but he missed both. The 50-yarder had plenty of distance but it was barely wide left.

Canyon's final score came on a blocked punt early in the fourth quarter. Joe Cuellas scooped the ball up at the Herd 11-yard line and scored easily. Russell's kick provided the final score of 34-0.

Despite the loss, Yenser said his first team was special.

"These kids have overcome a tremendous amount," he said. "Throughout their career, they haven't been as successful as they'd like, but they laid the foundation for what we're trying to do.

"These seniors have the biggest hearts of any crew I've been around," he said. "The foundation they've laid for this program will carry over for years.

"We set out to try to get the commitment back, to try to get the hard play back, to try to get the trust back - the trust between coaches and players and the trust between players and other players," he said. "We've tried to get the pride back, and they've shown a tremendous amount of pride this season.

"The memories they made will stick with me forever," Yenser said. "I have nothing but proud thoughts of each one of 'em."

### Game Summary Canyon 34, Herd 0

Canyon	14	13	0	7	-34
Herd	0	0	0	0	-0

- C - Keith Wright 7 run (Charlie Russell kick)
- C - Dustin Turner 16 pass from Jason Rahlfs (Russell kick)
- C - Wright 2 run (Russell kick)
- C - Rahlfs 3 run (kick failed)
- C - Joe Cuellas 11 return of blocked punt (Russell kick)

	Canyon	Herd
First downs	23	6
Yards rushing	314	29
Yards passing	175	73
Total yards	389	102
Comp.-Att.-Int.	5-6-0	9-18-1
Punts-Avg.	0-0	7-26.0
Fumbles-Lost	-3-2	4-2
Penalties-Yards	7-40	4-34

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**RUSHING**-Hereford: Stephen Cloud, 17-36; Adam Jimenez, 2-6; Henry Hernandez, 1-5; Jeremy Scott, 1-1; Tate Head, 1-(-2); Joseph Artho, 4-(-17). Canyon: Keith Wright, 25-184; Cory Stone, 10-67; Jason Rahlfs, 10-39; Jared Wright, 6-22; Justin Ziegler, 1-6; Joe Dwyer, 1-(-4).

**PASSING**-Hereford: Artho, 9-17-1-73; Jeremy Urbanczyk, 0-1-0-0. Canyon: Rahlfs, 5-6-0-75.

**RECEIVING**-Hereford: C.J. Kubacak, 3-25; Nathan Gavina, 2-11; Cloud, 2-7; Josh Martinez, 1-15; Ruben Flores, 1-15. Canyon: Dustin Turner, 3-60; Ziegler, 2-15.



Photo by Rick Castaneda

### Nose dive

Hereford defenders Adam Jimenez (42) and Josh Alvarado (right) combine to bring a Canyon Eagle in for a head-first landing.

Canyon earned a playoff trip by beating Hereford 34-0 in the Herd's season finale Friday at Whiteface Stadium.

### District 1-4A

#### Football standings

	District	Overall
*Pampa	5 1	7 2
*Dumas	5 1	8 1
*Canyon	4 2	6 4
Borger	4 2	6 3
Hereford	2 4	3 6
Randall	1 5	2 8
Caprock	0 6	2 7

\*earned playoff berth

#### Friday's results

Canyon 34, Hereford 0  
Dumas 34, Borger 15  
Pampa 28, Randall 14  
Caprock was off  
End regular season

## No. 1-ranked teams finish with victories

### Springlake-Earth stuns Kress in showdown for district title

By CHARLES RICHARDS

Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) - All the No. 1-ranked teams remained unbeaten as the regular season ended and coaches began preparing their squads for the playoffs.

- in 5A, North Mesquite beat Richardson Berkner, 59-21.

- in 4A, Grapevine rolled past McKinney, 49-20.

- in 3A, Vernon crushed Henrietta, 48-3.

- in 2A, Alto defeated Timpson, 48-0.

- in 1A, Windthorst knocked off Alvord, 42-14.

None of Class 5A's ranked teams lost Friday night. The top six teams remained undefeated and untied. Marshall beat Longview 26-7, Houston Yates beat Houston Sam Houston 53-0, Midland Lee beat San Angelo Central 35-7, Austin Westlake beat San Marcos 42-0, and Galena Park North Shore got by Beaumont Central 34-21.

Two ranked 4-A teams fell. No. 5 Jasper lost to Dayton, 23-7, and No. 10 Lamar Consolidated was beaten by Texas City, 21-13.

There was one loss each among

ranked teams in Class 3A and 2A. Rusk, ranked sixth in 3A, lost to Corrigan-Camden 28-14 and Italy, No. 5 in 2A, lost its first game of the season, falling 26-10 to ninth-ranked Mart.

In 1A, four ranked teams were involved in games against other ranked teams. Second-ranked Springlake-Earth handed fifth-ranked Kress its first loss, 19-17, while 10th-ranked Granger handed seventh-ranked Bartlett its first defeat, 22-2.

Lloyd Banks scored three touchdowns in the first quarter, starting Yates on the way to its 53-0 romp over Houston Sam Houston. While Yates was winning its 10th straight game, Sam Houston was completing a winless season.

Banks opened the scoring with a 95-yard punt return and added a pair of one-yard runs. Sam Houston committed five turnovers, with Yates' Antonio fields returning an interception 50 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter.

Burkeville, ranked sixth in 1A, amassed 507 yards, 480 of them on the ground, in a 70-6 victory over Evadale. Tory Gatson scored three times on runs of 25, 3 and 9 yards.

### Coaches added to HHS list

Another two names need to be added to the list of Hereford High School graduates who are now in the coaching profession.

-George Loerwald, Class of '65, is the head baseball coach and assistant football coach at Gatesville High School, which is west of Waco.

-David Schumacher, Class of '78, head basketball coach and cross country coach at Austwell-Tivoli High School, which is south of Victoria.

There was a list of coaches who graduated from Hereford High School and a story about them in last Sunday's Brand.



Photo by Mauri Montgomery

### Pile-up

Canyon's John Ayers (bottom) tackles Hereford ballcarrier Stephen Cloud (21) as Hereford's Anthony Lopez (14) blocks another Eagle from piling on.

### YMCA sets charity volleyball tourney

The YMCA Make a Child Smile Christmas Volleyball Tournament will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Hereford and Vicinity YMCA.

The entry fee is \$30 per team, plus a new toy valued from \$7-\$10. The toys will be given to Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Hereford, which in turn will make sure the toys find their way under the Christmas trees of needy families.

The toy may be brought for the team's first game; the \$30 must be turned in with the entry form by Tuesday.

There will be three divisions: Co-Ed A, six-person teams with modified rules; Co-Ed B, six-person teams with recreational rules; and Co-Ed quads (four-person teams) using Amarillo rules. The Co-Ed A and B divisions may be combined if not enough teams enter.

Play starts at 6:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday and at 9 a.m. Saturday.

For more information, call the YMCA at 364-6990.



# Herd hoops coaches like new playoff system

By JAY PEDEN  
Sports Editor

There may be no coach in all of Texas who's happier about the new three-team playoff system than Eddie Fortenberry.

His Hereford girls' basketball team finished last season with a 22-5 record. They were ranked as high as 11th in Class 4A by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and finished 18th.

When the playoffs started, however, the Lady Whitefaces stayed home.

Hereford went 0-4 against the Canyon Independent School District and 25-1 against the rest of West Texas. The two losses each to District 1-4A rivals Randall and Canyon - the eventual undefeated state champion - left the Lady Whitefaces in third place in district.

"We were a perfect example last year of how three teams in the playoffs would work," Fortenberry said. "You'll always have some districts where three is too many, but in some districts, two is too many. West Texas is a great example of why (the three team system) is good."

"This is still the toughest 4A girls' district in the state - nobody argues that," he said. "It's hard to do what we did last year and not go to the playoffs."

Herd boys' coach Randy Dean likes the new system, too. His Whitefaces finished 19-11, with 15 wins in their last 19 games. But they lost twice to Randall and twice to Pampa - the other state champion from 1-4A - and ended up third in the district at 8-4.

"Three years ago, I would have been totally against (the three-team system)," Dean said. "After the last two years, seeing the caliber of the third-place team in this district, I think that they could have represented themselves very well in the playoffs."

"Some districts, with three teams, may water the playoffs down," he said, "but not this one."

The quest for a playoff berth - whether as the third team or as the district champion - starts Tuesday. The Hereford boys will definitely open at Palo Duro, starting at 7:45 p.m.

The girls were scheduled to open Tuesday at Palo Duro, but that game would be canceled if the Hereford volleyball team won its playoff match against El Paso Bowie - which was to be played Saturday.

The cornerstone of the Whitefaces will be Isaac Walker, who's back for his senior year. He played on varsity as a freshman, then earned first-team all-district honors as a sophomore post and again as a junior guard.

He's only six feet tall, but he can play like he's any height he wants. He led the Herd last year with 13.7 points per game, 3.8 assists and 2.3 steals per game. He was second in rebounding (5.2) to the graduated Michael High.

"He's got lots of experience, number one - he's a three-year letterman," Dean said of Walker. "He's a real strong rebounder and an excellent ball-handler. And this year, he's shown improved range on his shooting."

The team returns one other starter

from last year, senior guard Johnathan Keenan (6.2 ppg.).

"He's a tremendous defensive player," Dean said. "He possesses great quickness, and he has the ability to put a lot of pressure on the other team's ball-handler."

Dean returns four other senior lettermen: C.J. Kubacak (6-foot-4), Bryant McNutt (6-3), Dustin Hill and Cory Schumacher, who is fully recovered from the elbow injury that knocked him out of the season's final nine games.

McNutt is the only junior on the opening roster, which is filled out by six seniors from last year's junior varsity: Jason Myers, Curt Sherrod, Rob Reinauer, Trip Robison, Stephen Cloud and Ryan Noland.

"This group has a chance to be real good," Dean said. "We have a lot of experience returning at the guard position, and that's real important, because in close ballgames, they should be able to handle the pressure."

"We'll again rely on our defense," he said. "Potentially, we could be the kind of defensive team that dictates the game to its opponents."

One of Dean's challenges will be replacing the inside play of High and Todd Dudley.

"We lost all of our people who played much inside," he said. "Obviously, one of our questions this year is how our inside players will come around. I feel good about the people we have to play in there, but we'll have to see how we progress as the season goes on."

The district race will be interesting. Randall returns the most - and the tallest - players, but Pampa is the defending state champion.

The Harvesters will have to defend their title without all-everything guard Rayford Young, who is now playing at Texas Tech. Coy Laury also is gone, but J.J. Mathis, Devin Lemons, August

Larson and Lynn Brown all return.

"In most people's eyes, Randall will be the favorite," Dean said, "but until someone proves it differently, Pampa has always got to be picked at the top."

Randall is led by Kevin Clayton. He's 6-foot-5, and so are seemingly half his teammates.

"They have one of the best players in the region in Kevin Clayton, and their overall size is going to give them the chance to dominate a lot of games inside," Dean said.

Pampa and Randall will be challenged by Hereford, Borger, Canyon and Caprock.

"There are six teams that you could give legitimate reasons why they're playoff contenders," Dean said.

Only Dumas isn't among the contenders, but Dean said the Demons are improving.

"I think we're going to be right in the middle of it," Dean said of the Herd's chances. "I like the savvy we have at the guard position, and the way these guys work and play together. They're going to be fun to watch play, because they're going to give 110 percent every minute."

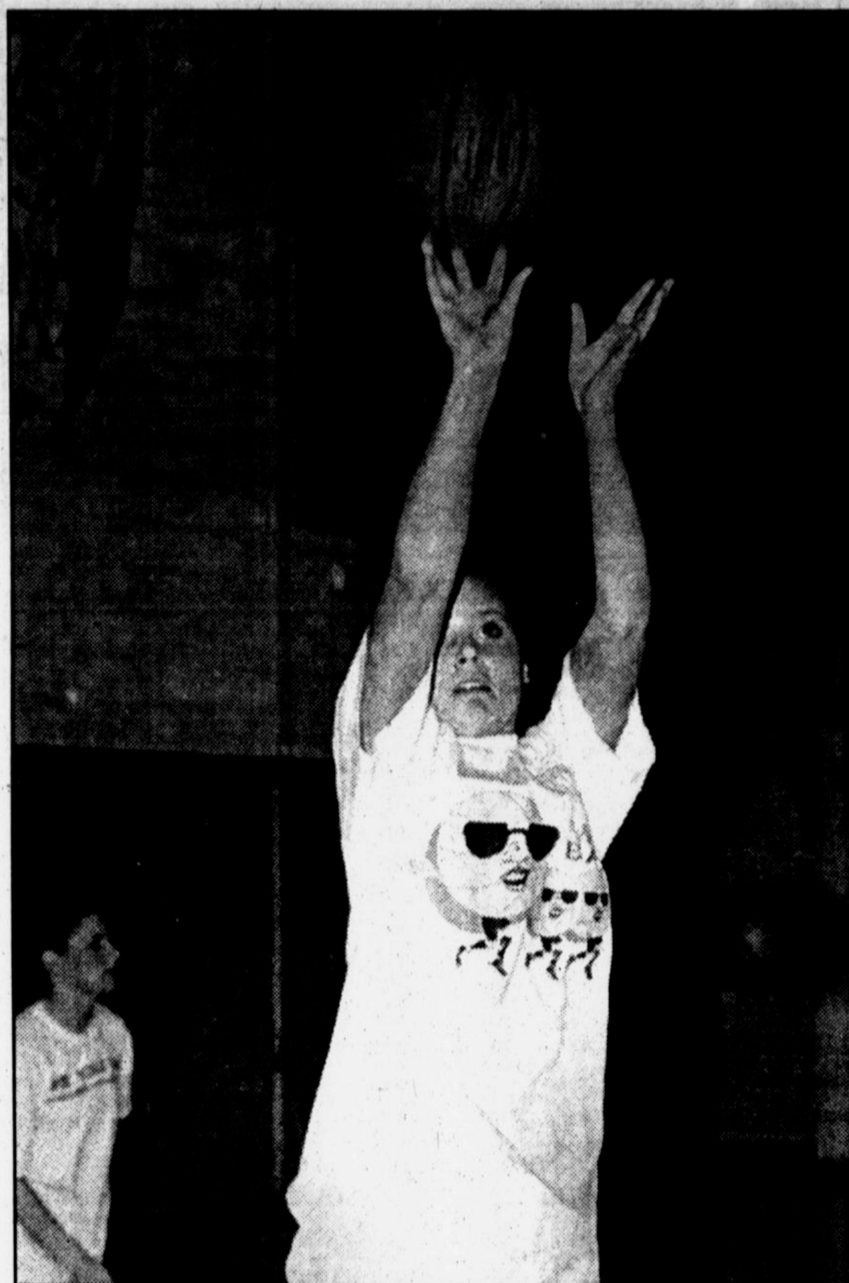
Fortenberry has bad news and good news for this year's roster.

The bad news is that he lost to graduation six girls who played a lot of minutes.

The good news is that he gets back his top three scorers in the now-junior trio of Julie Rampley, Catie Betzen and Misti Davis, as well as senior Kari Barrett. Those four girls each have earned two letters.

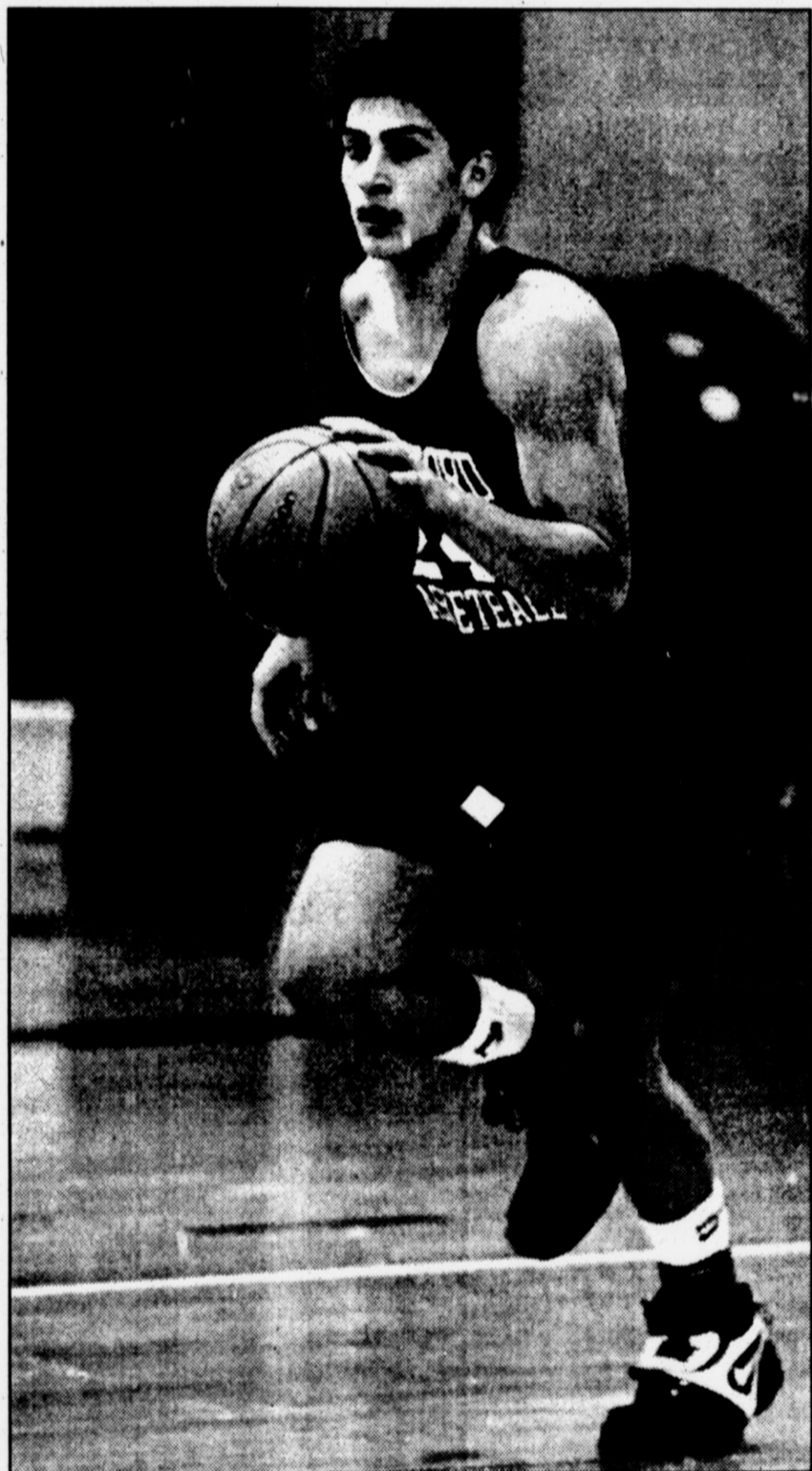
"We've got to build the team around the nucleus of the ones we've got coming back," Fortenberry said. "We've got 60 percent of our scoring coming back - our threats are back. They proved they could carry the load

(See BASKETBALL, Page 10A)



## Sharpshooter

Julie Rampley, a first-team All-District 1-4A selection last season, returns to lead the Lady Whitefaces' basketball team.



## Leading the break

Isaac Walker, a two-time first-team All-District 1-4A pick, is back for his senior year. He'll lead the Herd basketball team into its season opener against Palo Duro Tuesday in Amarillo.

## Sapolu: San Fran needs win as much as Cowboys

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Jesse Sapolu doesn't buy the argument that Sunday's game between San Francisco and Dallas is more important to the struggling Cowboys than the NFC West-leading 49ers.

"No question, their backs are against the wall. They're desperate, but we're desperate, too," the 49ers center said. "We would like to think that we're desperate, because we need to win this game, too."

The game matches the winners of the last four Super Bowls, but what typically served as a barometer of NFL supremacy in the 1990s has become a test of survival for Dallas (5-4). For the 49ers (7-2), a win would help them remain among the NFC elite seeking to position themselves for a run at home-field advantage.

"This is a game neither team can afford to lose," San Francisco tackle Steve Wallace said. "For us, it's not only a chance to make a statement to the league, but for us to really hurt them. I mean, if they have another

loss, that could be devastating."

The Cowboys, the defending Super Bowl champions, regrouped from a 1-3 start to win four straight before last week's 31-21 loss to Philadelphia. Dallas drove to the Eagles' 3 in the final moments, but Troy Aikman threw an end-zone interception that was returned 104 yards for the Eagles' clinching score.

"Every time you drop back to throw the football or you drop back to do something, you've got to be willing to try to make some plays," Aikman said. "It's just unfortunate the way that thing came down and the situation that it was in the ball game."

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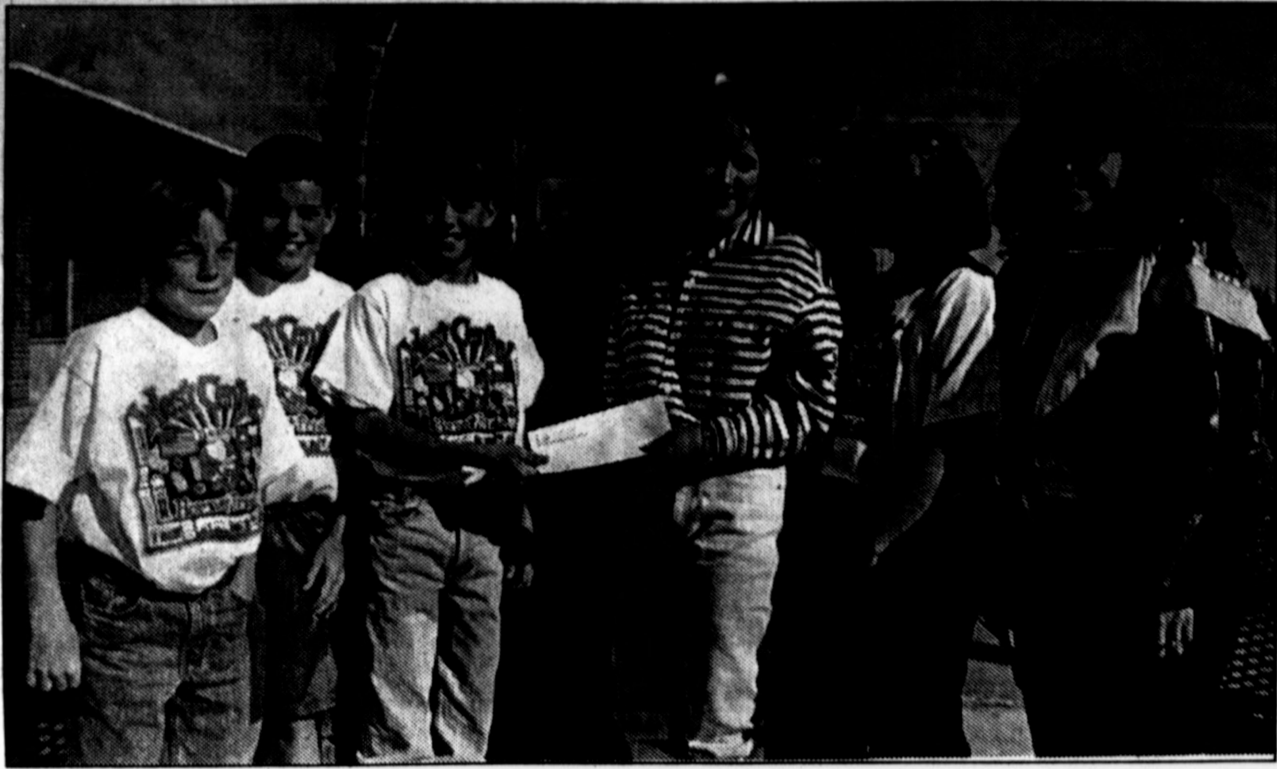
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### Students make donation

Students at West Central Intermediate School donated \$150 to the United Way of Deaf Smith County. The Student Council officers presented a check to United Way representative Tami Monroe, third from right. Pictured are, from left, Stewart Carr, historian; Seth Hatley, vice president; Russell Carr, president; Monroe; Abby Horrell, secretary; and Linda Pena, Student Council sponsor.

### Walden to participate in conference in Waco

WACO -- Property tax reform, public education, endangered species reform, water rights and the environment will be among the many state and national resolutions to be considered by the 41-member Texas Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee here Nov. 11-13.

The three-day session involves editing and coordinating proposals forwarded from county Farm Bureaus.

TFB Vice president Bill Tullos of San Angelo will serve as chairman of the resolutions committee. FB State Director Tryne Mengers of Tynan will be the vice chairman and TFB

State Director Anton Haner of Tarpley will be the secretary.

Bill Walden of Hereford will serve as a District 1 resolutions committee member. The panel will prepare a packet of resolutions to be taken up by voting delegates at the 63rd annual TFB convention, Dec. 1-4 in San Antonio.

State resolutions adopted at San Antonio become policy for the TFB organization during 1997.

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## Republicans only one short of majority in Texas Senate

AUSTIN (AP) - Gov. George W. Bush said Friday he will stay out of any partisan squabbles that might flare up as his fellow Republicans near a majority of the Texas Senate for the first time this century.

Bush has enjoyed a close working relationship with Democratic Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, the Senate's powerful presiding officer. Bush said he is confident that relationship will continue.

"I am mindful of the separation of powers between the legislative branch and the executive branch," he said.

"Whatever discussions are going on now, of course that is the domain of the state Senate. The executive branch really doesn't have any business trying to be involved."

Since Reconstruction, Democrats have controlled both the Texas Senate and Texas House.

But in Tuesday's elections, Republicans won enough elections to give them 15 of the 31 Senate seats. Democrats currently hold 15, as well, but will lose one because Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, is going to

Congress and must resign from the Senate.

That will give Republicans a temporary 15-14 majority. Control will be decided in a special election to replace Turner and in a Dec. 10 runoff to replace Democrat John Montford, D-Lubbock, who resigned last summer to become Texas Tech University chancellor.

Bush said he will campaign for "my friend" Robert Duncan, who

could become the 16th Republican senator if he wins the runoff against former Lubbock mayor David Langston, a Democrat.

Much of the power Bullock wields is granted by Senate rules. That includes the authority to name members of committees and committee chairmen.

The governor said he expects no changes in his relationship with Bullock.

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## Bostick, Maxwell wed

April Bostick and Kurt Maxwell, both of Canyon, were united in marriage in a Saturday afternoon ceremony in Osage Baptist Church in Amarillo.

The bride is the daughter of Ricky and Jean Anne Bostick of Amarillo. The bridegroom is the son of Patricia Maxwell of Canyon and Virgil and Peggy Maxwell of Hereford.

Bro. Danny Hodgkins officiated at the ceremony.

Matron of honor was Tamme Pinkert, aunt of the bride. Best man was Danny Paulson.

Bridesmaids were Rita Burton and Christy Paulson.

Serving as groomsmen and ushers were Larry Solis and David Rice.

Flower girls were Amy Christian, Whitney Johnson, Brooke Pinkert and Casey Dunlap.

Cody Pinkert and Zachary Dunlap were ring bearers.

Candle lighters were Kelly Christian, Chase Mays and Terry and Chamaine Dunlap.

Donna Barnett was organist and Bruce Peterson performed vocal selections.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a traditional white satin wedding dress with a beaded lace bodice and a chapel-length train.

She carried a cascading bouquet of purple lilacs, iris, white roses and baby's breath, accented with a purple bow.

Bridal attendants wore tea length dresses in hunter green with green lace overlays.

The couple was honored with a reception in the church fellowship hall.

Servers were Karen Christian, Karen Peterson, Vickie Bryant, Stephanie Bryant, Janie Musick, Carissa Hand, Holly Ramsay and Ellen Hodgkins.

Ryan Pinkert and Frankie Pinkert presided at the guest register.

Following a wedding trip to Eureka Springs, Ark., the couple will be at home in Canyon.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Randall High School. She is currently employed in diagnostic imaging for Baptist/St. Anthony's Health Care System.

Maxwell graduated from Canyon High School in 1990 and is currently a junior at West Texas A&M University. He is employed by Lincare in Amarillo.

## Military Muster

Marine Lance Cpl. Joey S. Hernandez, son of Janiz Garcia of Hereford, recently was promoted to his present rank while serving with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 314, Naval Air Station Miramar, San Diego.

Hernandez was promoted based on sustained superior job performance and proficiency in his designated specialty.

The 1994 graduate of Sundown High School joined the Marine Corps in May 1995.

Air Force Capt. Mike S. Caudle participated in an exercise termed "Blue Flag 96-4" at Barksdale Air Force Base, Bossier City, La.

More than 1,200 military members from all branches of the U.S. armed forces participated in the Air Combat Command-sponsored exercise.

Caudle is an instructor pilot at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, Goldsboro, N.C.

He is the son of Miles W. and Ella E. Caudle of Hereford.

The captain is a 1982 graduate of Hereford High School and a 1987 graduate of Texas Tech University.

## Cokers to celebrate wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coker will be honored on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 17 in the First Baptist Church fellowship hall.

Hosts for the celebration are their children, Lonnie Mac Coker of Amarillo and Donna Harris of Clovis, N.M., and their five grandchildren.

Coker and Juanita Upton were married Nov. 19, 1946 in First Baptist Church in Hereford. Since that time they have resided on their farm southwest of Hereford.

They are members of Hereford Senior Citizens and First Baptist Church.

The couple also has six great-grandchildren.

## HJH Roundup

By CAROLYN WATERS

"The first test of a truly great man, or woman, is their humility."

Tuesday, Nov. 12, is Parent Involvement Day for Texas. We invite parents, and grandparents, to visit your child's school and perhaps eat lunch with them. HJH lunch periods are: first lunch, 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. second lunch is from 12:35 p.m. until 1:15 p.m.

Blue Team Students of the week, Oct. 28-Nov. 8, are Arturo Mejia, Josie Segundo, Flint Dollar and Vanessa Tijerina.

Eighth grade reading classes are reading the novel, *The Cay*, which is a World War II story of a boy stranded on a Caribbean Island.

Purple Team English classes observed the official Helping Verb Appreciation Day on Oct. 31. Students wore buttons proclaiming their love of helping verbs and studied the importance of helping verbs. By the way, have you given any serious thought lately about the importance of helping verbs and how our conversations would sound without them?

Green Team science classes are beginning "Soil and Water Conservation" essays. Yellow Team began these about 10 days ago.

Life Skills classes are making Christmas tree decorations for the Senior Citizen Center Festival of Trees. They will decorate a tree this week.

Second payments on annuals are due by Nov. 15. Notices will be sent to students if they have a balance due on their annual.

HJH Super Lab is open from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. daily for any student needing extra help in any subject.

HJH students can receive NSH, (Noon Study Hall), for being tardy to class, not bringing supplies to class or for not having homework finished. Since school began, HJH boys have received 1,292 assignments to NSH with 64 percent of these being for "no homework." HJH girls, during this same time period, have received 1,127 assignments to NSH with 44 percent being for "no homework." This percentage will rise due to the fact that we have fewer tardies and fewer cases of not bringing supplies, (pens, pencils, paper textbook, etc.), as the year progresses. Therefore, this becomes a serious concern that students are taking homework assignments so lightly. Learning to be responsible is a great part of preparing for the future, as you well know. Parents, we must have your help in overcoming this problem! Please respond to the letters mailed and to phone calls that team teachers, Mrs. Lawson and Mr. Saucedo are making. We are concerned and we ask that you be concerned, also.

Pearl Bailey, the great blues/pops vocalist was once chided by her husband for worrying. She replied, "I don't worry-I care." We, at HJH, like Pearl Bailey, care!

## Former resident selected Perryton Woman of Year

Cynthia Shattles of Perryton, daughter of Grant and Troyce Hanna of Hereford, was selected as Community Woman of the Year for 1996 by the Perryton Business and Professional Women's Club.

Shattles is Ochiltree County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences.

A 1968 graduate of Hereford High School, she received her bachelor of science degree in home economics education from Texas Women's University and her master of science degree in home economics from Stephen F. Austin State University.

Shattles moved to Perryton in January 1993 from Gilmer.

She is a member of Perryton Rotary Club and attends First United Methodist Church. She has served as an office of the Lone Star Ladies Booster Club and on the Northeast Panhandle Cancer Coalition.

Shattles is responsible for coordinating 4-H and Family and Community Education club activities for the county. She is a member of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences and the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

In 1984, she received the Distinguished Service Award for Extension. She has served on the State Board of Texas Family Community Leadership.

Shattles' daughter, Michelle, is a freshman at West Texas A&M University.



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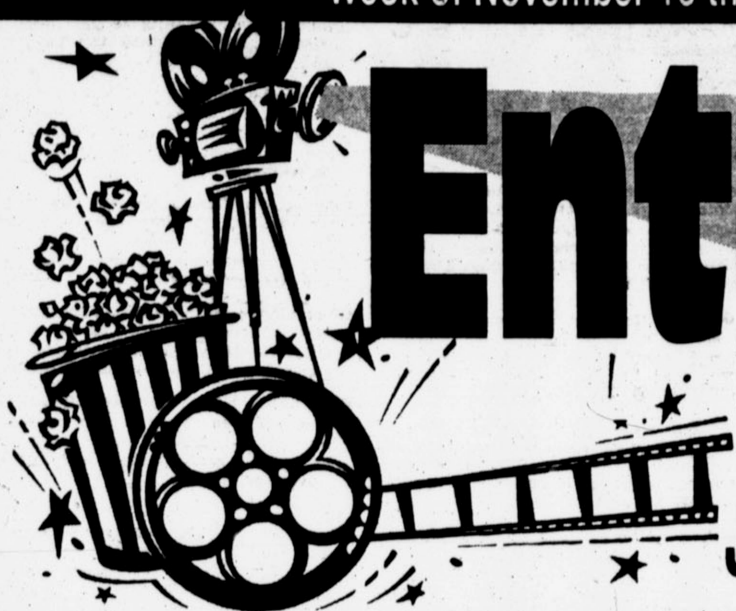












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J.R.'s return in *Dallas* movie is just a shot in the dark



Larry Hagman and Linda Gray (pictured) reprise their roles as J.R. and Sue Ellen in *Dallas: J.R. Returns*, premiering Friday on CBS. After spending five years in Europe, J.R. returns to Southfork to regain control of Ewing Oil from his nemesis, Cliff Barnes (Ken Kercheval). Patrick Duffy co-stars as Bobby Ewing.

By Suzanne Gill  
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"Those short naps are great, aren't they?" Patrick Duffy asks Larry Hagman with a puckish twinkle.

The two are holding forth — along with co-star Linda Gray — at a press conference for the two-hour reunion movie *Dallas: J.R. Returns*.

The drama airs Friday, Nov. 15, on CBS.

Duffy ribs his friend of almost 20 years for being slow to pick up on a reporter's question. Though the two did not know one another before being cast as millionaire brothers J.R. and Bobby Ewing on *Dallas* in 1978, they have remained friends ever since.

It was another "short nap" that revived Duffy's career — not to mention the series — when Bobby suddenly stepped out of a shower in 1986 after being "dead" for more than a season. It turned out Bobby's wife, Pam (Victoria Principal), had had a dream that lasted for two dozen episodes.

A call from Hagman helped persuade him to return to the show after bowing out, but it was Duffy, not the show's writers, who thought up the ruse.

"I was just so happy to have him back, I didn't care what brought him back," Hagman says.

Though Duffy is still stopped by fans who want him to explain the bold move, he considers the decision to return to *Dallas* the right one for him.

"I got five more years on a show that I loved doing," Duffy says. "It only had great ramifications for me."

"I think it's (because) of that shower that I'm employed right now." (Duffy co-stars in ABC's *Step by Step*.)

In the six years since *Dallas* fell to slumbering on the rerun shelf, Hagman also has looked for other roles to play.

But his biggest comeback came in a real-life drama when his years of continuous drinking produced liver failure.

"I was all ready to bite the bullet. They had to really kind of talk me into having a transplant," Hagman, 65, recalls.

After the surgery, when he began to feel better and his doubts disappeared, Hagman asked his doctor about those conversations.

"And he says, 'People who have bad livers like you did really don't know what they're talking about because everything's muddled. The blood is not getting the right things to the brain.'"

"And you're clear as a bell now," Duffy says playfully.

For the movie, Hagman insisted that, like himself, J.R. would be a teetotaler. But the character's taste for women, treachery and other vices is unabated.

Fans will recall the series ended in a cliffhanger: After reviewing his life, J.R. fired a shot. Bobby rushed in, and only he, not the viewer, saw the result.

The question of what J.R. shot and several more are resolved in *J.R. Returns*, which features only a core group of the old cast: Hagman, Duffy, Gray and Ken Kercheval (Cliff Barnes).

"We didn't have time to tell everybody's stories after a six-year gap," Katzman explains. "Besides which, with Patrick and Larry and Linda, we couldn't afford anybody else."

Nevertheless, notes Gray, most of the old *Dallas* crew was reassembled, making it a "true reunion."

The unfortunate result is the same old *Dallas*, a self-indulgent creature of the '80s, now rather sloppy, without a notion that its time has passed. Too bad the network didn't order up a mess of barbecue and invite the stars back just to reminisce — on camera.

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Show Boat \*\*\* (1951) Kathryn Grayson, Howard Keel. Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein II wrote the score for this tale of romance and drama aboard a Mississippi riverboat. 2:00. (C) November 13 5pm.

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Six Weeks \*\* (1982) Dudley Moore, Mary Tyler Moore. A married politician becomes increasingly involved in the lives of a wealthy woman and her leukemia-stricken daughter. 2:00. (C) November 12 2am.

The Sky's the Limit \*\*\* 1/2 (1943) Fred Astaire, Joan Leslie. A wartime pilot on temporary furlough masquerades as a civilian while courting a sprightly photographer. 2:00. (C) November 16 10am.

Soapdish \*\*\* 1/2 (1991) Sally Field, Robert Downey Jr. A soap opera queen's personal life falls apart while a devious rival tries to sabotage her career. 2:00. (C) November 10 9:35am.

Song of Love \*\*\* 1/2 (1947) Katharine Hepburn, Paul Henreid. The story of two great musicians, Schumann and Brahms, their music and their love for the same woman. 2:00. (C) November 11 3pm.

Sophie and the Moonhanger (1996) Patricia Richardson, Lynn Whitfield. The wife of a Ku Klux Klan grand dragon challenges her husband after her black housekeeper's gas station is vandalized. (CC) 2:00. (C) November 15 1pm.

Split Second \*\*\* 1/2 (1953) Stephen McNally, Jan Sterling. Escaped convicts take prisoners in a deserted Nevada town, unaware it is the target of a nuclear bomb test. 1:30. (C) November 14 7pm.

Stand by for Action \*\*\* 1/2 (1942) Robert Taylor, Charles Laughton. A young arrogant Navy officer learns the value of discipline and teamwork by fighting the Japanese during World War II. 2:00. (C) November 11 7pm.

Stars in My Crown \*\*\* (1950) Joel McCrea, Ellen Drew. A minister is forced to preach his first sermon in a back-country town with the help of a six-gun. 1:45. (C) November 15 11:15pm.

A Step Toward Tomorrow (1996) Judith Light, Tom Irwin. Premiere. A divorced mother refuses to become discouraged as she attempts to improve the life of her paralyzed 10-year-old son. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. (C) November 10 8pm.

Stop! Or My Mom Will Shoot \*\*\* 1/2 (1992) Sylvester Stallone, Estelle Getty. A visit by a detective's meddlesome mother turns into a prolonged adventure in aggravation. (In Stereo) (CC) 2:00. (C) November 11 8pm; 12 9am.

SuperSleuth \*\* (1937) Ann Sothern, Jack Oakie. An egotistical movie detective gets in over his head when he takes on a real blackmail-murder case. 1:15. (C) November 12 6:45am.

The Swan \*\*\* (1956) Grace Kelly, Alec Guinness. A young princess's attraction to a handsome tutor upsets her mother's plans to marry off her daughter to royalty. 2:00. (C) November 12 3pm.

Switching Channels \*\*\* 1/2 (1988) Kathleen Turner, Burt Reynolds. A cable news director conspires to keep his ex-wife, who is also his star reporter, from remarrying. (In Stereo) 2:00. (C) November 10 1pm.

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The Tall Target \*\*\* 1/2 (1951) Dick Powell, Paula Raymond. A detective attempts to stop a group of men who plan to kill President Lincoln. 1:30. (C) November 12 10pm.

Tea and Sympathy \*\*\* 1/2 (1956) Deborah Kerr, John Kerr. A sensitive prep school student develops a special relationship with the wife of a housemaster. 2:15. (C) November 15 12:45pm.

Tennessee Johnson \*\*\* 1/2 (1943) Van Heflin, Ruth Hussey. The life of Andrew Johnson, successor to the presidency after Lincoln's assassination. 2:00. (C) November 12 11:30pm.

That Girl From Paris \*\*\* 1/2 (1937) Lily Pons, Gene Raymond. A French opera star avoids a marriage of convenience by fleeing to America with the members of a swing band. 1:45. (C) November 12 8am.

They Won't Forget \*\*\* 1/2 (1937) Claude Rains, Edward Norris. A teacher becomes a pawn in an ambitious district attorney's manipulative handling of a murder case in the Deep South. 1:40. (C) November 10 5pm.

The Thing \*\*\* 1/2 (1951) Kenneth Tobey, Margaret Sheridan. Howard Hawks' harrowing account of an alien invader's rampage at an arctic research station. 2:00. (C) November 10 5pm.

Three Came Home \*\*\* 1/2 (1950) Claudette Colbert, Patric Knowles. Agnes Keith's autobiography inspired this account of an American author's imprisonment in a Japanese internment camp. 2:00. (C) November 12 10am, 3pm.

Three Godfathers \*\*\* (1936) Chester Morris, Lewis Stone. Three aging outlaws risk their lives to save an infant found orphaned in the desert. 1:25. (C) November 15 8am.

Three Wise Fools \*\*\* (1946) Margaret O'Brien, Lewis Stone. A young woman and her fanciful imagination brighten the lives of three reclusive old men. 1:35. (C) November 15 9:25am.

Thunder Road \*\* (1958) Robert Mitchum, Gene Barry. A Korean War hero returns to his home in the mountains and becomes involved with his family's bootlegging operations. 1:45. (C) November 16 8:45pm.

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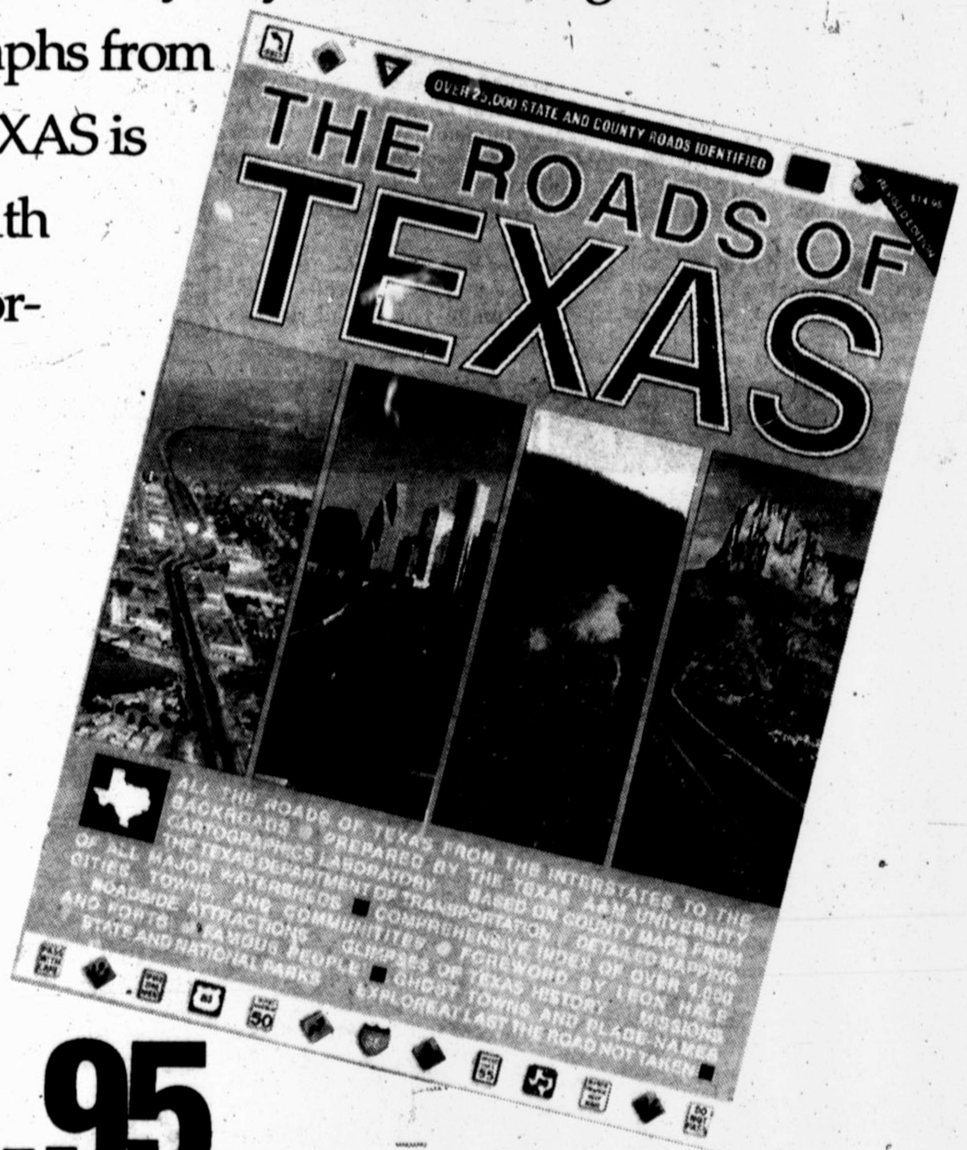


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