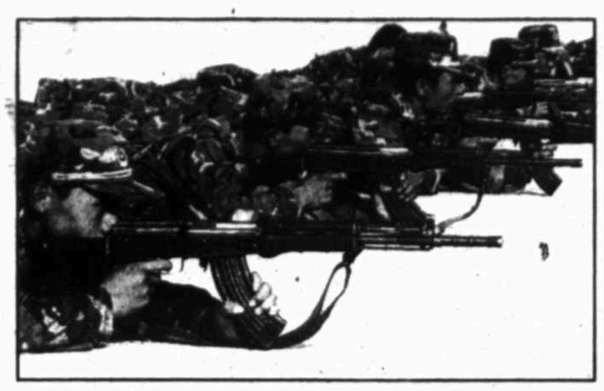


SPORTS

Cowboys win

The Dallas Cowboys ran for a season-high 200 yards and piled up more than 300 total yards as they beat the Arizona Cardinals 48-7./**1C**



WORLD

Gunning for U.S.

In a display of the capabilities of its military hardware and in a defense policy paper, China makes it clear that it views U.S. as enemy No. 1./**4B**

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Local GOP evolves over long period

■ In the past, while Midland County often supported Republican presidential candidates, voters backed local Democrats.

By Timothy V. Kreitz
MRT Correspondent

Midland County has long been considered a Republican stronghold, especially with regard to how its citizens vote in presidential elections. County residents have not cast ballots in majority support of a Democratic presidential candidate since Harry S. Truman defeated Thomas Dewey in the now famous upset election of 1948.

Dewey was expected to win the election by a large margin, according to the polls of the day. Dewey put considerable faith in those polls and chose not to answer a majority of the political attacks waged on him by Truman — attacks that were relentless and expertly planned. The well-known photo of Truman holding a copy of the early edition of the Chicago Daily Tribune, whose headline erroneously read "Dewey defeats Truman" still serves as a stark reminder of how stunning the upset was.

Of the 3,442 Midland County residents who voted in that election, 2,032 voted in favor of Democrat Truman. Since then, however, the majority has always voted in favor of Republican presidential candidates.

Midland County Elections Office Administrator Pat Eastup said that although Midland County has long supported the Republican ticket in presidential races, it was not always an uncommon occurrence for residents to elect Democrats in the local and regional races.

"'Conservative stronghold' is maybe a better term to describe Midland County than 'Republican stronghold,'" she commented. "In decades past, the Democratic Party and the Republican Party had much more common ground than they do today."

Longtime Midlander and former newspaper editor Bill Collyns agreed with that observation. "We were all conservative-minded in the 1940s and 1950s, but we were almost exclusively Democrats out here," he said. "In those days, Republicans were such a rare breed that they warranted being pointed out in social circles."

Collyns also said that, in his recollection, the Republicans didn't really become a viable party in West Texas until the oil boom began bringing in established GOP families, such as the Bush family and others from different parts of the country. "As more and more influential Republican families made their way here, the political landscape started to change," Collyns explained.

State Rep. Tom Craddick was just 25 years old when he was first elected to the Texas Legislature in 1968, and he said that he was one of only three Republicans serving at the time.

"It was quite a unique experience in those early years," Craddick said. "Not only was I the youngest man ever elected to the Legislature at that time, but I was also a Republican. I was quite different from the norm."

Craddick said that during those years, it was typical for the average voter turnout in the Midland County Republican Primary to be less than 2,000. Collyns agreed, saying that in the

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HOW HAS MIDLAND COUNTY VOTED IN PAST PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS?

1948 TRUMAN VS. DEWEY



Truman: 2,032 Dewey: 1,410

1952 EISENHOWER VS. STEVENSON



Eisenhower: 7,956 Stevenson: 3,244

1956 EISENHOWER VS. STEVENSON



Eisenhower: 8,278 Stevenson: 3,468

1960 KENNEDY VS. NIXON



Kennedy: 5842 Nixon: 11,343

1964 JOHNSON VS. GOLDWATER



Johnson: 8,646 Goldwater: 11,906

1968 NIXON VS. HUMPHREY



Nixon: 12,789 Humphrey: 4,756

1972 NIXON VS. McGOVERN



Nixon: 18,905 McGovern: 4,833

1976 CARTER VS. FORD



Carter: 7,725 Ford: 19,178

1980 REAGAN VS. CARTER



Reagan: 25,027 Carter: 6,839

1984 REAGAN VS. MONDALE



Reagan: 33,706 Mondale: 7,214

1988 BUSH VS. DUKAKIS



Bush: 30,618 Dukakis: 8,478

1992 CLINTON VS. BUSH



Clinton: 9,160 Bush: 24,143 Perot: 7,880

1996 CLINTON VS. DOLE



Clinton: 9,513 Dole: 25,382 Perot: 2,079

Rebublican Candidates' Names Appear In Blue
Democratic Candidates' Names Appear In Red
Independent Candidates' Names Appear in Green

Only those independent candidates who received an unusually high number of local votes were included in the graphic. The winner of each election is the name appearing at the top left of each box. Graphic by Timothy V. Kreitz.

Election Results Provided By The Midland County Elections Office

Early voting begins today

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Beginning today, Midlanders in early voting can start casting ballots for their choice of candidates for political offices from the U.S. presidency to Midland County officials in the Nov. 7 general election.

"Since George Bush is a local boy, I'd say 70 to 75 percent (of the 71,500 registered voters in Midland County)," will turn out to the polls in early voting and on the Nov. 7 Election Day, said Pat Eastup, the Midland County Elections administrator. "But, I hasten to add, I miss predictions a lot."

■ The League of Women Voters' Voters Guide is inserted in today's edition.

Of the 71,500 registered voters, about 11,000 are carried on a "suspended" list and may have moved out of Midland County. If not, they are still eligible to vote here, Mrs. Eastup said.

Bush, the 54-year-old Texas governor who spent much of his childhood and early adult years in Midland, is the Republican Party candidate for president.

His opponent for the nation's highest office is Vice President Al Gore, the 52-

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Early voting begins today at several locations across Midland — including the Elections Administrator's Office and Midland Park Mall — and continues until Nov. 3.

Governors to stump for Bush

AUSTIN (AP) — Twenty-eight Republican governors opened a 25-state barnstorming tour on Sunday designed to help put George W. Bush in the White House. Gov. Bush called it "the good beginning of the final sprint."

Al Gore also campaigned in his rival's home state as both sides dispatched surrogates to rally support in the home-stretch.

Some of the exchanges became nasty, as Democrats waged a coordinated attack on Bush's competency and Republicans pressed their challenge of Gore's trustworthiness.

The race remained tight in some polls, with Bush maintaining an edge in others. He had 44 percent to 42 percent among likely voters in a CBS News-New York Times poll released Sunday. An ABC News tracking poll gave Bush 48 percent to 45 percent for Gore. The latest CNN-USA Today-Gallup survey on Sunday showed Bush 9 points ahead.

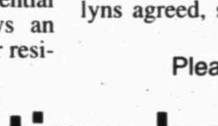
Even in polls where the race remains close, Bush had a decided advantage in enthusiasm of his supporters, which has increased since the debates. The enthusiasm of Gore's supporters dropped off and that can affect voter turnout.

All but one of the nation's Republican governors joined Bush here to launch the cross-country tour. The governors, traveling in seven teams, will visit 48 cities in 25 states this week.

Missing: West Virginia Gov. Cecil Underwood, who had

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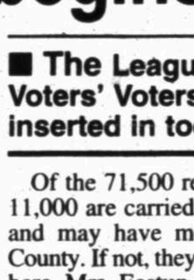
A look inside



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Person to Person



Artist Ann Finnell paints larger-than-life creations on exterior walls and fences./**1B**

Off the wire

■ Madeleine Albright begins visit to North Korea./ **2A**
■ New Jersey school board puts limits on homework./**5A**

Council to discuss downtown revitalization effort

By Ian Heald
Staff Writer

The future development of downtown will take center stage at Tuesday's Midland City Council meeting.

Before the meeting, the council will be briefed by Downtown Midland Inc., a nonprofit organization, on the results of a study that will show the potential impact of establishing a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone.

In May, the council voted unanimously to invest no more than $100,000 on a consultant to determine the viability of creating a zone in downtown Midland. A little more than $40,000 was actually used.

Downtown Midland said the zone is the best way to revitalize a downtown full of empty buildings and virtually no night life. DMI has cited the positive effects the zone has had on other cities like Abilene and Fort Worth. The once-stagnant areas of each city have now become economic strong points.

With the implementation of the zone, only new property tax revenues — resulting from increased downtown property values over time — would be retained for downtown development. The original property tax income would still be shared with the other taxing entities, but anything above and beyond that original number would be retained for investment in downtown Midland.

Five taxing entities currently receive property tax revenue: the city of Midland, Midland Independent School District, Midland County Hospital District, Midland College and Midland County.

The surplus property tax income could then be used to offer businesses incentives to move downtown, to build a parking structure, purchase a building, implement beautification projects, etc.

Shawn Ellison, director of Downtown Midland, has expressed confidence that DMI will get cooperation from all the taxing entities on the project, except MISD.

State legislation passed in September 1999 penalizes school districts for participating in projects like the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone. In bypassing future property tax revenues from the downtown area, MISD would simultaneously forgo matching funds from the state, Deputy City Manager Glen Hackler said.

This could significantly affect the project. More than half of all property taxes paid by Midlanders go into MISD coffers. Without MISD's participation the effectiveness of the zone will be cut by more than half.

Still, DMI leaders will meet with MISD officials on Wednesday to further educate them on the zone and its potential impact on the school district if it chose to participate.

After the council is briefed on the results of the study, it will vote on whether or not to create a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone. If the zone's creation is approved, the city will give the other taxing entities 60 days notice of its creation, Hackler said. The other entities will then consider participating in the project.

The City Council briefing session begins at 9:15 a.m. in the basement room of City Hall. The council meeting begins at 10 a.m. in council chambers. City Hall is located at 300 N. Loraine St.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Tuesday	Wednesday
Mostly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy
High 73	High 75	High 72
Low 55	Low 57	Low 50

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms and a high at 70-75.

Tonight's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms and a low in the mid-50s.

Tuesday and Wednesday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms with lows in the mid-50s and highs at 70-75.

After an overnight low of 73, Sunday's high was 58, compared to the record high of 91 from 1979. The previous record low of 37 was set in 1949.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.	High	73
Rainfall Saturday	0.01 in.	Low	58
Total for month	0.63 in.	Normal high	76
Total for year	6.68 in.	Normal low	49
Normal total (year to date)	13.30 in.		

Sunrise ... 7:56 a.m.
Sunset ... 7:09 p.m.

National forecast

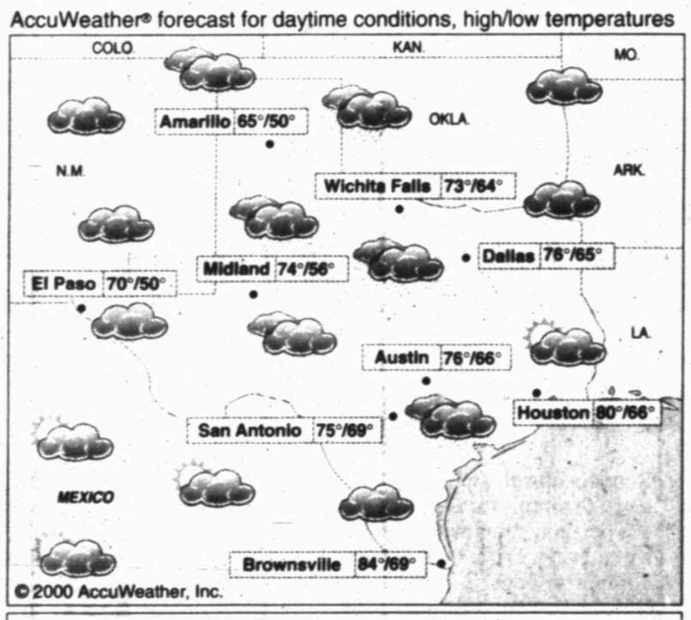
United States temperatures

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Akron,Ohio	69	46	cdy	
Albany,N.Y.	54	40	clr	
Albuquerque	63	49	.01	m
Atlanta	79	56	cdy	
Atlantic City	64	50	clr	
Austin	81	65	.92	m
Baltimore	68	50	clr	
Baton Rouge	84	67	cdy	
Billings	51	42	cdy	
Birmingham	81	59	cdy	
Bismarck	60	46	clr	
Boise	53	31	cdy	
Boston	58	44	cdy	
Bridgeport	61	47	clr	
Caribou,Maine	46	37	clr	
Casper	38	38	clr	
Charleston,S.C.	82	54	clr	
Charleston,W.Va.	78	56	clr	
Charlotte,N.C.	81	51	clr	
Chattanooga	82	55	cdy	
Cheyenne	39	38	.16	cdy
Chicago	69	48	cdy	
Cincinnati	74	56	cdy	
Cleveland	64	48	cdy	
Colorado Springs	48	48	.09	m
Columbia,S.C.	83	52	cdy	
Columbus,Ga.	82	57	cdy	
Columbus,Ohio	75	53	cdy	
Concord,N.H.	56	41	clr	
Daytona Beach	82	64	clr	
Denver	47	43	.33	cdy
Des Moines	65	57	rn	
Detroit	64	45	cdy	
Eugene	54	34	clr	
Evansville	77	57	cdy	
Fairbanks	33	10	sno	
Fargo	67	53	clr	
Goodland	63	56	.43	m
Grand Junction	62	44	.02	m
Grand Rapids	67	43	rn	
Great Falls	51	30	clr	
Green Bay	63	41	rn	
Greensboro,N.C.	77	53	clr	
Harrisburg	68	46	clr	
Hartford Spgfld	60	41	clr	
Indianapolis	72	55	rn	
Jackson,Miss.	84	61	cdy	
Jacksonville	79	62	cdy	
Juneau	48	39	.43	rn
Kansas City	67	59	.21	rn
Knoxville	78	58	cdy	
Lake Charles	84	69	.01	cdy
Lansing	67	39	rn	
Las Vegas	64	62	cdy	
Lexington	76	58	cdy	
Lincoln	65	59	.17	cdy
Little Rock	83	60	cdy	
Los Angeles	75	58	cdy	
Louisville	78	57	cdy	
Madison	70	39	rn	
Medford	62	33	cdy	
Milwaukee	59	50	rn	
Mpls-St Paul	67	50	.01	cdy
Mobile	85	63	.01	cdy
Montgomery	83	58	cdy	
Nashville	81	60	cdy	
New Orleans	84	69	cdy	
New York City	62	53	clr	
Newark	63	50	clr	
Norfolk,Va.	73	56	clr	
North Platte	58	56	.38	cdy
Oklahoma City	69	60	.29	cdy
Omaha	64	55	.06	cdy
Orlando	82	63	cdy	
Paducah	78	53	cdy	
Pendleton	54	34	clr	
Peoria	67	50	rn	
Philadelphia	65	56	clr	
Phoenix	65	58	.51	rn
Pittsburgh	71	47	cdy	
Pocatello	52	30	cdy	
Portland,Maine	53	40	clr	
Portland,Ore.	61	41	clr	
Providence	60	45	clr	
Pueblo	57	51	.11	rn
Raleigh-Durham	79	51	clr	
Rapid City	56	47	cdy	
Reno	53	31	clr	
Richmond	74	53	clr	
Roanoke	75	52	clr	
Rochester	52	41	clr	
Rockford	68	48	cdy	
Sacramento	74	56	clr	
St Louis	66	60	.11	cdy
San Diego	69	61	cdy	
San Francisco	70	60	clr	
San Jose	74	61	clr	
Santa Fe	60	46	.01	rn
Seattle	59	40	clr	
Shreveport	83	63	cdy	
Sioux City	61	49	.16	cdy
Sioux Falls	63	53	.08	cdy
South Bend	71	48	cdy	
Spokane	51	30	clr	
Springfield,Ill.	66	52	.07	cdy
Springfield,Mo.	65	59	.09	cdy
Syracuse	55	32	clr	
Tallahassee	83	59	cdy	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	85	66	cdy	
Toledo	66	45	rn	
Topeka	67	60	.35	rn

State forecast

Monday, Oct. 23

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures



Texas temperatures

	High	Low	Pcp.
Abilene	79	63	0.04
Alice	88	74	0.01
Amarillo	71	52	0.44
Arlington	79	66	1.13
Austin Bergstrom	81	68	0.92
Beaumont	84	72	0.01
Brownsville	86	73	t
Burnet	79	67	0.48
Childress	78	60	0.39
College Station	82	69	0.40
Conroe	81	70	0.39
Corpus Christi	85	72	0.02
Corsicana	83	68	1.02
Dalhart	67	52	0.54
Dallas Love Field	81	66	0.74
Del Rio	82	65	
Denton	78	64	1.46
DFW Airport	78	65	1.24
El Paso	71	52	t
Fort Stockton	79	57	0.18
Fort Worth Meacham	79	64	1.52
Galveston	82	72	0.27
Georgetown	75	70	0.90
Guadalupe Pass	70	51	
Harlingen	87	72	
Hondo	84	71	0.02
Houston Intrctnl	82	67	0.38
Huntsville	81	70	0.03
Junction	80	62	
Kingsville	87	73	t
Laredo	88	72	
Longview	79	64	0.07
Lubbock	72	56	0.89
Lufkin	82	66	0.02
Marfa	70	45	
McAllen	87	73	
McKinney	79	64	0.43
Mineral Wells	79	64	0.14
New Braunfels	81	70	1.08
Palacios	86	72	t
Paris	77	63	0.02
Rockport	86	76	t
San Angelo	80	57	0.20
San Antonio	84	70	0.10
San Marcos	81	66	3.42
Terrell	81	66	0.31
Tyler	78	67	t
Victoria	86	71	0.22
Waco	79	68	0.23

Albright begins visit to North Korea

PYONGYANG, North Korea (AP) — Breaking down one of the last barriers of the Cold War, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright opened a historic visit to North Korea today by paying her respects to the late Kim Il Sung, the Soviet-trained ruler who formed the communist nation 55 years ago.

No other secretary of state has visited North Korea and none of Ms. Albright's predecessors had even considered the idea because of the grim state of the relationship.

Ms. Albright hopes to use the two-day visit to advance her goal of a tension-free Northeast Asia for the first time in decades and to lay the groundwork for a visit by President Clinton, possibly as early as next month.

In between meetings with top North Korean officials, Ms. Albright planned to visit with kindergarten children and tour a food distribution site. Also on her agenda was a performance of the Pyongyang Acrobatic Circus.

She was greeted at Pyongyang's airport shortly after dawn by North Korea's vice foreign minister, Kim Gye Gwan. An 8-year-old boy wearing a red kerchief around his neck presented her with a bouquet of flowers.

Her motorcade, which included vehicles driven up from the U.S. Embassy in Seoul, South Korea, drove down deserted boulevards to the Kim Il Sung Palace, where the remains of the longtime North Korean leader are on display. The sprawling edifice was once used as a meeting palace for foreign dignitaries, but was converted to a mausoleum after Kim's death.

Down the road, a large sign attached to the front of one of the buildings read, "The Great Leader Kim Il Sung is always with us."

Ms. Albright left Washington shortly after midnight Sunday on the 17-hour journey to the North Korean capital, a city U.S. forces had reduced to rubble during the Korean War. It is now a metropolis with tall buildings and broad boulevards, although with scarcely any traffic.

If her talks with North Korean leader Kim Jong Il go well, Clinton will follow her to Pyongyang as part of an Asia trip next month, administration officials said.

"We still believe there are very significant steps that have to be taken to meet the concerns the United States has," said a senior State Department official aboard Ms. Albright's plane, speaking on the condition of anonymity. "We have reason to believe that because of discussions that we have had that North Korea may be prepared to take some very serious steps."

The official did not elaborate, but Ms. Albright's main concern is North Korea's missile development program and its export of missiles to Iran and Syria. She will confer with Kim on those issues but officials said no agreements are expected.

The United States is considering the creation of a national missile defense, partly out of concern that North Korea may some day direct ICBMs at American cities.

North Korea has for years ignored American efforts to stop exporting missiles, and the possibility that the Pyongyang regime may now be listening to these concerns has generated excitement among arms control advocates.

"North Korea may be the most historic and important trip of her (Ms. Albright's) tenure," says Joseph Cirincione, of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Kim, perhaps motivated by economic catastrophe, has scrapped North Korea's policy of reclusiveness and has been reaching out not only to the United States but to other countries, most notably South Korea.

In the process, Kim has shed the stereotypical view of him. Don Oberdorfer, a Korea expert at the Johns Hopkins School of International Studies, said Kim was depicted in intelligence reports as an awful man who was "introverted and strange."

But he showed himself to be "very confident and very poised" when in June he had his historic encounter with South Korean President Kim Dae-jung.

After two days of discussion in Pyongyang, Ms. Albright will fly across the Demilitarized Zone to Seoul to report on her talks to senior officials from Japan and South Korea, both of which continue to be nervous about North Korea's military. As a deterrent, the United States maintains 37,000 troops in South Korea.

Just two weeks ago, Kim dispatched to Washington his right hand man, Vice Marshall Jo Myong Rok. The visit produced a communique in which the two sides pledged "to take steps to fundamentally improve their bilateral relations in the interests of enhancing peace and security in the Asia-Pacific region."

The two countries do not have diplomatic relations, but have discussed the possibility of opening liaison offices in each other's capital.

STUMP: Governors will seek to rally undecided voters

(From 1A)

conflicting campaign events as he wages a difficult re-election effort.

"Simply put, George, we believe in you," said Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge at the ceremony.

"It's going to be the good beginning of the final sprint. And I'm glad I'm sprinting with these good folks," Bush said.

The Bush campaign hopes the traveling GOP governors — who encouraged Bush to run and supported him throughout the campaign — can help rally undecided voters and address Democratic statements belittling Bush's experience as a two-term governor of Texas.

Groups of both Republicans and Democrats were hitting the road this week to appeal to a dwindling — but electorally critical — band of independent voters.

Gore strategists said they'll cap the campaign with "a relentless focus" on the issues in a series of seven speeches on topics ranging from health care to the environment.

"Right up until the last minute of the last day, he'll be talking about the issues," said spokesman Chris Lehane even as aides debated in Nashville whether Gore should intensify his criticisms of Bush.

On Saturday, Gore criticized Bush for advocating a diminished U.S. peacekeeping role in Europe, saying it demonstrated a "lack of judgment and a complete misunderstanding of history." The vice president held back on Sunday, however, from any personal criticism of his rival.

At Potter's House Ministries in Dallas, Gore shared the stage with Coretta Scott King and delivered a scripture-packed speech focusing on his agenda for families.

"An abundance of prosperity in the spirit cannot be measured in dollars and cents," Gore said. He said he was underscoring "something more basic than all our budget debates.

Democrats intensified efforts on the Sunday talk shows to challenge Bush's competency. The Republican held a 20-point lead over Gore in the CBS News-New York Times poll among those who put a candidate's personal qualities ahead of where they stand on issues.

"My white, male friends tell me he is a good old boy just like me. But I want a good president," Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., told CBS' "Face the Nation."

When Americans look at Bush, they see "a person who's unsure of himself, and therefore a person who is unacceptable to become president of the United States," Sen. John Breaux, D-La., told "Fox News Sunday."

The harsh words went both ways.

GOP activist Bill Bennett said he believed Gore to be a "habitual liar. ... It's not easy to say, but the record says it," the former education secretary and author of a best-selling book on ethics told NBC's "Meet the Press."

On the same show, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, a one-time Democratic presidential contender, dismissed Bennett as a "Republican hit man" and issued a warning to both parties.

"It does not serve any of us well for us to be calling these men liars because one of these men will be our next president," Jackson said.

EARLY: Midland has numerous contested races

(From 1A)

year-old Democratic Party nominee for president.

Also campaigning for the presidency are Libertarian Harry Browne, Green Party candidate Ralph Nader, and Independent candidate Pat Buchanan.

Tom Craddick, the 57-year-old Republican who has been the Midland area's state representative since 1969 following his 1968 election, is opposed for another two-year term by Democrat Gilberto M. Garcia, 52, of Midland. The vote is for District 82 state representative.

Midland County contested races include:

■ The four-year term of Midland County Sheriff: Gary Painter, the 53-year-old Republican sheriff who first was elected to office in 1984, is being challenged by 44-year-old Independent candidate-businessman Joe Lozano. The sheriff's base salary is $52,000.

■ The four-year term of Midland County Commissioner for Precinct 1: Republican Jimmy Smith, 53, and Democrat Michael B. Trost, 62. The victor will succeed retiring and ailing Republican Commissioner Henry Goulet. The post pays a $31,300 salary.

■ The four-year term of Midland County Commissioner for Precinct 3: Republican Lynn Yarbrough, 56, and Democrat Josie Ramirez, 58. The winner will succeed retiring Democratic Commissioner Louisa Valencia. The commissioner's annual salary is $31,300.

■ The four-year-term of Precinct 3 Constable: Republican Johnney W. Holt, 51, and the Democratic incumbent, Constable Angel Hernandez, 40. The job is salaried at $24,000.

All told, 122 early-voting hours will be offered voters from today through Nov. 3 at the Midland County Elections Administrator's Office at 709 W. Washington Ave.

"We will be in this office every day through Nov. 3," Mrs. Eastup said. "There's no excuse for not voting, because we are going to be open for voting 122 hours at this office and other 12 hours on (Nov. 7) Election Day at 35 difference (polling) places."

Early-voting hours at the Elections Administrator's Office at Washington Avenue and Front Street are:

■ Today through Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

■ Saturday: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

■ Sunday: Noon to 5 p.m.

■ Oct. 30 through Nov. 3: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Early-voting hours at other locations are:

■ Kingsway Mall at 3303 W. Illinois Ave.: Oct. 30 through Nov. 3: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Ike's Rent-to-Buy at 1100 N. Lamesa Road: Oct. 30 through Nov. 3: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Midland Park Mall at 4511 N. Midkiff Road: Oct. 28 and Oct. 30 through Nov. 3: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"You've got two weeks to vote early," Mrs. Eastup said. "But don't wait until the last day (to vote) unless you want to wait in line."

Uncontested Midland County Republican candidates for election include 142nd Texas District Court Judge George D. "Jody" Gilles, District Attorney Al Schorre, County Attorney Russell Malm, County Tax Assessor-Collector Kathy Reeves, County Treasurer Jo Ann Carr, and Constables Gene Smith, Charles "Choc" Harris, Charles Hall.

Midlanders will be voting for their choices for Texas' U.S. senator: Republican U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchinson, Democrat Gene Kelly, Libertarian Mary J. Ruwart, and Green Party candidate Douglas S. Sandage.

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GOP: Change in social dynamics, ideologies leads to dominance

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late 1930s and early 1940s, Republican candidates weren't even listed on the ticket in Midland County.

Today's Republican dominance also likely can be attributed to the change in social dynamics and ideologies in recent decades. Fifty years ago, issues like homosexuality and abortion had very little social support on either side of the political fence. But in recent years, issues such as these have found support with a much larger number of Democrats than Republicans.

Frank Cahoon, former Republican state representative, said that as society changed, a huge rift began to form within the Democratic party. "As the liberals began to gain more power within the Democratic Party, conservative Democrats had less of a voice and started becoming Republicans," he said. As an example, Cahoon pointed to longtime Democrat John Connally, Texas governor from 1963 to 1969, who later became dissatisfied with his party and joined the Republicans in 1973.

This shift in attitudes has served as one of the many political catalysts that dramatically polarize the modern, 21st century incarnations of the Republican and Democratic parties.

Collyns said that as the parties grow further and farther apart, the potential for massive change within the traditional system increases.

Midland County voting results in the 1992 presidential election give credence to that viewpoint. In that election, county residents cast 24,143 votes for George H.W. Bush, 9,160 votes for Bill Clinton, and 7,780 votes for independent candidate H. Ross Perot. Perot made an impact on county election results again in the 1996 election, when he received 2,079 votes from Midland County residents.

The Midland County Elections Office expects high voter turnout in this year's race. In 1992, more than 80 percent of Midland County's registered voters showed up at the polls. Elections officials hope to see that percentage surpassed this November.

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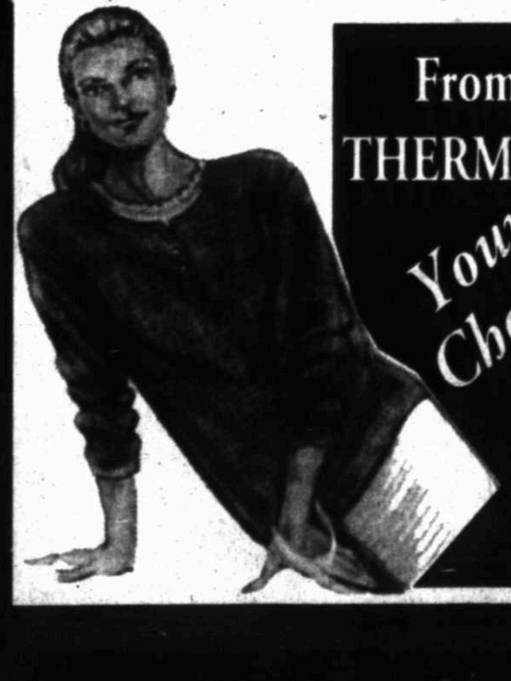
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Arkansas divided over gambling money and morals facing Nov. 7 ballot

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Bible-belt Arkansas tolerates its horse racing and dog track. Harder to swallow for some is a Nov. 7 ballot measure to bring in casinos and a state lottery, though they would create thousands of jobs, end the grocery tax and send any high school graduate to college.

Opposition starts with Republican Gov. Mike Huckabee, a Baptist minister. Huckabee says government "becomes a pimp" when it resorts to state lotteries to sell wagers to fill its treasury. As for casinos, he notes that two men behind the ballot measure were charged last week with fraud, and says their plan creates an unregulated monopoly.

"Even for people who would support gambling, this particular proposal is a sucker's bet," Huckabee told The Associated Press. "How dumb do they think we are?"

Amendment 5 would establish a state lottery, allow charity bingo and permit casinos in the state capital, Little Rock, the resort city of Hot Springs and four counties next to casino or lottery states. The money would replace the grocery tax, provide tuition to state college and technical schools for any Arkansas high school graduate and expand preschool and tutoring in elementary schools.

A poll late last month by Mason-Dixon Polling & Research found 51 percent of likely voters opposed the measure, with 37 percent in favor and 12 percent undecided. The poll had a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

It's much the same in South Carolina, where voters will be asked to allow a state lottery, the proceeds of which will go to a general fund for education.

Measures to expand gambling are on ballots in a few other places. But most contentious are those in Arkansas and South Carolina, where people are wrestling with persistent questions over gambling money and morals.

At present, 37 states and the District of Columbia have a lottery, 13 states have casinos, not including gaming run by American Indians, according to the National Conference of State Legislature.

Four years ago, Arkansas voters rejected casinos, by 61 percent. South Carolina lawmakers and voters struggled for years with video gambling before the state Supreme Court threw it out.

Arkansas Casino Corp., a group of investors, sponsored the current measure.

The company hasn't released an estimate of potential state revenues. But the promise of construction work and 15,000 new casino jobs, as well as college money, won backing from the state's biggest union.

"For a lot of the people that we represent, an opportunity to know that their kids can go to college and get their tuition means a lot to them," said Alan Hughes, president of the 72,000-member Arkansas AFL-CIO.

Leading the anti-casino, anti-lottery forces is the church-based Arkansas Committee for Ethics Policy, which kept casino measures off the ballot in 1990 and 1994.

"Maybe this year, if we win again convincingly, that will be the final nail in the coffin," said Larry Page, who runs the Ethics Policy group. Critics also argue that aside from gambling's social and economic perils, the measure provides scant regulation on casinos. And the state would tax only net earnings, after various expenses are subtracted. "Any clever accountant can get that net way down," Page said.

Measure supporters are embattled on another front.

Last week, two casino company board members from Dallas were charged with state securities violations that included allegedly selling unregistered casino stock without a license. They allegedly sold at least $1,000 stock to each of more than 300 people.

Bobby May, a former county sheriff who is now president of Arkansas Casino Corp. accused the prosecutor of filing the charges to kill the casino measure. "We are a good decent company with the best of intentions," May, a former Lee County sheriff from 1975-1992, said in denying the charges against the Texas men. "We're not shady, sleazy characters. We're good Arkansans."

By the end of last month, Arkansas Casino reported it raised $263,317 — all but $3,000 in loans from its lawyer and board member Robert Buchholz, one of the two men charged.

Opponents reported raising $50,598.

In South Carolina, Gov. Jim Hodges is staking his political future on getting a state lottery to boost education spending.

With his Democratic allies, Hodges has tried to cast opposition from religious groups as a veiled Republican attack. But 300 pastors recently filled the Columbia Capitol steps protesting the measure.

Backers say a lottery would bring in more than $416 million a year, yielding $150 million for education, after prizes and expenses are taken out

A Mason-Dixon poll last month found 48 percent of registered voters favored a lottery, 41 percent opposed it and the rest were undecided. The poll had a 4 percent margin of error.



AP Photo

Larry Page, executive director of the church-based Arkansas Committee for Ethics Policy,speaks in the Arkansas Capitol in Little Rock in this file photo. Bible-belt Arkansas tolerates its horse racing and dog track. Harder to swallow for some is a Nov. 7 ballot measure to bring in casinos and a state lottery, though they would create thousands of jobs, end the grocery tax and send any high school graduate to college.

Other proposals:

■ Colorado Referendum E would allow the state lottery to add multi-state games.

■ In Maine, Question 3 would allow 1,500 video lottery machines at a race track.

■ In South Dakota, Amendment D would remove video lottery machines from bars. Voters in Deadwood will vote on raising the single bet limit at its casinos from the current $5 to $100.

■ Greenbrier County, W.Va., voters decide if they should let a posh resort turn its fallout shelter built for Congress into an exclusive underground casino.

On the Net:
Secretary of State filing on Arkansas measure:
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Remains of the last four sailors are returned to the U.S.

DOVER AIR FORCE BASE, Del. (AP) — The remains of the last of the 17 sailors killed in a suspected terrorist attack on USS Cole were returned to the United States on Sunday for burial.

Family members watched from the tarmac as pallbearers removed four flag-draped caskets from a military plane and carried them to waiting hearses before an honor guard.

Two of the deceased were identified as Hull Maintenance Technician 3rd Class Kenneth Eugene Clodfelter, 21, of Mechanicsville, Va., and Fireman Apprentice Patrick Howard Roy, 19, of Keedysville, Md. Maj. Frank Smolinsky, chief of public affairs at the base, said he could not identify the other two sailors.

The remains will be examined at the Dover base for evidence and prepared for burial and then delivered to their next-of-kin. The remains of eight sailors have so far been returned to their families for burial.

On Saturday, the family of Seaman Craig Wibberley buried the 19-year-old near his hometown of Williamsport in western Maryland. More than 700 people, including Lt. Gov. Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, attended the funeral.

"Whether you've been in the service for one day or 20 or 30 years, it's important to show that all of us are members of a family," said retired Air Force officer Susan Hankey Webb, who was among those attending.

Another victim of the blast, Electronic Warfare Technician 3rd Class Ronald Scott Owens, was remembered at a memorial service Sunday in Vero Beach, Fla. A family member said the 24-year-old's remains would be cremated at the Dover base.

In all, 17 sailors were killed and 39 others were injured Oct. 12 when an explosion tore a 40-by-40-foot hole in the USS Cole while the destroyer was refueling in the Yemeni port of Aden.

Authorities in Yemen have been searching houses and other locations believed to have been used by two suicide bombers and possibly others involved in the attack. A senior U.S. government official in Aden, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said a great deal of physical evidence had been found, though he wouldn't elaborate.

Meanwhile, sailors on the USS Cole continued repair work on the destroyer while divers collected forensic evidence from the sea bed below the damaged ship.

The 505-foot destroyer is to eventually be carried back to the United States on the deck of a "heavy lift" vessel.

On the Net:
Navy: http://www.navy.mil/

Gasoline increases nearly three cents

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The retail price of gasoline rose nearly 3 cents per gallon nationwide as Middle East violence fueled concerns over supplies of crude oil products, an analyst said Sunday.

The average price of gasoline was about $1.61 per gallon on Friday, up 2.8 cents from two weeks ago, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10,000 gas stations nationwide. Prices had dipped 3.5 cents per gallon earlier this month.

The recent attack on a U.S. warship near Yemen and growing concerns over the possibility of Israeli-Palestinian violence spilling over to neighboring oil-producing nations sent crude oil futures on the International Petroleum Exchange to a fresh post-Gulf War high of $35.30.

Although the average U.S. gasoline price rose, there were regional differences based on supplies, analyst Trilby Lundberg said.

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Restrictions on homework put N.J. school district in spotlight

PISCATAWAY, N.J. (AP) — After-school conversations are much more relaxed these days in the Bellew household.

"When he comes home, the first words out of his mouth are not 'I have so much homework,'" said Linda Bellew, the mother of a sophomore at Piscataway High School. Bellew asked that her son not be identified.

As a freshman, her son earned straight A's, and spent up to six hours a night doing homework.

He is working on straight A's again this year, but a new policy set by the school board limits his homework assignments to no more than two hours a night. Homework is limited to 30 minutes in grades one to three, and teachers in all grades are discouraged from making weekend assignments.

At a time when children nationwide are facing heavier homework loads, this public school system of 7,000 students has drawn a line, largely at the behest of parents like Bellew who complained that their children were overworked and stressed out.

Nationwide, children ages 3 to 11 spent an average of two hours and seven minutes studying at home each week in 1997 — up about 50 percent from 1981, according to a University of Michigan study released last year. For ages 9 to 11, it was 3 1/2 hours a week, almost an hour more than in 1981.

A 1992 U.S. Department of Education survey found that 29 percent of eighth-graders reported doing two hours or more of homework daily. No figures were available for high school students.

Among the experts applauding Piscataway is Harris Cooper, author of "The Battle over Homework: An Administrator's Guide to Setting Sound and Effective Policies."

"In terms of formulating policy, the district did their homework. They didn't abandon it, but they were realistic about what it could accomplish," said Cooper, chairman of the psychology department at the University of Missouri. "Homework shouldn't be abandoned, nor should it be expected to solve the problems of our educational system."

Research has found little relation between the amount of homework and performance on achievement tests, he said — a matter of no little importance in Piscataway, where some 70 percent of the high school graduates go on to college.

Cooper endorses guidelines by the PTA and National Education Association that suggest 10 minutes of homework a night for each grade level. Thus, a seventh-grader should get about 70 minutes a night.

The focus should be on useful assignments, not just homework for homework's sake, said Joyce L. Epstein, director of Johns Hopkins University's Center on School, Family and Community Partnerships in Baltimore.

That's the goal in Piscataway, said Superintendent of Schools Ronald E. Bolandi, who recommended the school board adopt the homework limit. If the homework shows that the previous lesson was not absorbed, it must be taught again, he said.

"I believe that it's going to be a good policy, because it gives children a chance to be involved in other activities," said Joan Greenwald, who teaches sixth grade at a Piscataway middle school.

It is unclear how likely other school systems are to emulate Piscataway. Many have recently adopted mandatory homework policies where they did not exist before, Cooper said.

Among them is Chicago, the nation's third-largest public school system with 435,000 students. Its policy calls for homework five nights a week, ranging from 15 minutes for kindergartners to 2 1/2 hours for seniors.



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Blair Markowitz, 11, does her homework as her mother Linda Markowitz works in the kitchen of their Piscataway, N.J., recently. School officials in this central New Jersey city have drawn a line on the amount of homework.

The Piscataway policy is not without its local detractors. Agatha Asamoah is one. Her son, Nana-yaw, a high school senior, takes several advanced and honors courses, and two hours seems insufficient, she said.

"My son is in a class for 45 minutes with a teacher. You tell me how much can be accomplished in that time," Mrs. Asamoah said.

Some experts see a cyclical pattern to homework loads.

Emphasis on homework increased after the Soviet Union launched Sputnik in 1957, decreased in the 1960s amid concerns that students needed time for other pursuits, then increased again in the 1980s and '90s amid questions about whether American students could compete with students at more rigorous schools in Japan and Germany.

"Educational policy seems to bounce between extremes," Cooper said.

The swinging pendulum bothers Karen Joseph, spokeswoman for the New Jersey chapter of the National Education Association.

"You can't say to the schools, the teachers and the students, 'Raise the bar, make higher standards, work harder, but we can't give you homework because homework may interfere with soccer or karate, or some other extracurricular activity,'" Joseph said.

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We are fortunate to have two men on the Texas Railroad Commission with excellent credentials and a keen understanding of the oil and gas industry.

Charles Matthews was elected to the Railroad Commission in 1994. He is now running for a second term in office.

Before becoming a part of the Railroad Commission, Matthews was mayor of Garland, where he was credited with cutting taxes and reducing the size of city government. In addition, he served as director of the Texas Municipal Power Agency and was Gov. William P. Clements' appointee to the Texas Turnpike Authority.

Matthews has won praise for the leadership he has shown on issues such as pipeline safety, the burgeoning rail crisis in Texas, and the severance tax relief initiative. He also has demonstrated that he is a progressive thinker, by pushing for greater computerization at the commission and for bilingual propane safety education.

Matthews' fellow commissioner is Michael Williams, who will also be on the ballot on Nov. 7.

Midlanders are already familiar with Williams, a product of our local public schools. He served as assistant district attorney in Midland before moving up to jobs at the state and national levels.

Williams was named in 1998 to serve out the unexpired term of Carole Keeton Rylander through the year 2000. In September 1999, Williams received a solid vote of confidence from his fellow commissioners when they elected him to serve as chairman of the commission.

Previously, Williams served as special assistant to Attorney General Richard Thornburgh at the U.S. Department of Justice. He was a federal prosecutor from 1984-1988, when he prosecuted police brutality and racial hate crimes. In 1988, former U.S. Attorney General Ed Meese awarded Williams the attorney general's "Special Achievement Award" for the conviction of six Ku Klux Klan members on federal weapons charges. He also served as deputy assistant secretary for law enforcement at the U.S. Department of the Treasury. In that capacity, he had oversight responsibility for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, the U.S. Secret Service, the U.S. Customs Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

Arguably, Williams does not have a strong background in oil and gas. However, he has demonstrated dedication and a willingness to put in time and effort to be successful in the job.

Both Matthews and Williams are Republicans. Matthews is unopposed and Williams has opponents running in the Green Party and the Libertarian Party.

Both Matthews and Williams are valuable members of the Railroad Commission. We hope voters will support them on Nov. 7.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Oct. 23, the 297th day of 2000. There are 69 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Oct. 23, 1983, 241 U.S. Marines and sailors in Lebanon were killed in a suicide truck-bombing at Beirut International Airport; a near-simultaneous attack on French forces killed 58 paratroopers.

On this date:

In 1864, forces led by Union Gen. Samuel R. Curtis defeated Confederate Gen. Stirling Price's army in Missouri.

In 1910, Blanche S. Scott became the first woman to make a solo, public airplane flight, reaching an altitude of 12 feet at a park in Fort Wayne, Ind.

In 1915, 25,000 women marched in New York City, demanding the right to vote.

In 1942, during World War II, Britain launched a major offensive against Axis forces at El Alamein in Egypt.

In 1944, the World War II Battle of Leyte Gulf began.

In 1946, the U.N. General Assembly convened in New York for the first time, at an auditorium in Flushing Meadow.

In 1956, an anti-Stalinist revolt that was subsequently crushed by Soviet troops began in Hungary.

In 1973, President Nixon agreed to turn White House tape recordings requested by the Watergate special prosecutor over to Judge John J. Sirica.

In 1980, the resignation of Soviet Premier Alexei N. Kosygin was announced.

In 1987, the U.S. Senate rejected, 58-42, the Supreme Court nomination of Robert H. Bork.

Ten years ago: Deficit-reduction negotiations continued between the White House and congressional leaders. President Bush, campaigning in New England, blamed the Democratic-controlled Congress for the budget impasse.

Five years ago: President Clinton met with Russian President Boris Yeltsin in Hyde Park, N.Y.; the leaders agreed that Russian troops would help enforce peace in Bosnia, but remained deadlocked on the issue of NATO command. A jury in Houston convicted Yolanda Saldivar of murdering Tejano singing star Selena.

One year ago: Sixteen members of the Ku Klux Klan held a silent rally in New York City as thousands of counter-demonstrators jeered them.

JACK ANDERSON

Education costs rise faster than inflation

WASHINGTON — The cost of a college education seems to continually increase faster than the rate of inflation, something akin to medical costs, some people say. But medical costs are impacted by new and expensive technology. True, institutions of higher education have modernized and computerized, but not to any degree greater than other enterprises in our economy, and most of those enterprises have actually seen prices decline because of the increased productivity technology has created.



Anderson

The College Board, the New York-based company that administers SAT tests and promotes higher education, recently released a report detailing the increasing price of a college education.

Both public and private institutions raised their tuition rates by an average of 4.4 percent, once again surpassing the nation's inflation rate as shown by the Consumer Price Index. The CPI rose by 2.7 percent in 1999 and 3.5 percent for the first eight months of this year.

The report, which surveyed some 3,000 colleges and universities, found that private four-year institutions raised tuition by an average of 5.2 percent and room and board by 4.2 percent. Public four-year schools increased their tuition and fees by an average of 4.4 percent and their room and board by 5.1 percent. Private two-year schools raised their tuition by 7 percent. Public two-year schools were the only institutions where tuition rates remained below current inflation, increasing by only 3.4 percent.

The increasing rates follow a recent trend in the price of higher education. Joni Finney, a policy analyst at the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education, said, "Colleges and universities have a very difficult time controlling their costs. These institutions were underfunded in the early part of the '90s. ... But they've more than made up for lost ground."

However, according to Stanley Eikenberry, the president of the American Council on Education, "Given the large, fixed costs of most campuses, in personnel and facilities especially, these numbers show institutions are working hard to hold the line on increases."

Some experts predict that if current trends continue, by the year 2015, the cost for four years at a public college will be $77,000 for tuition, room and board.

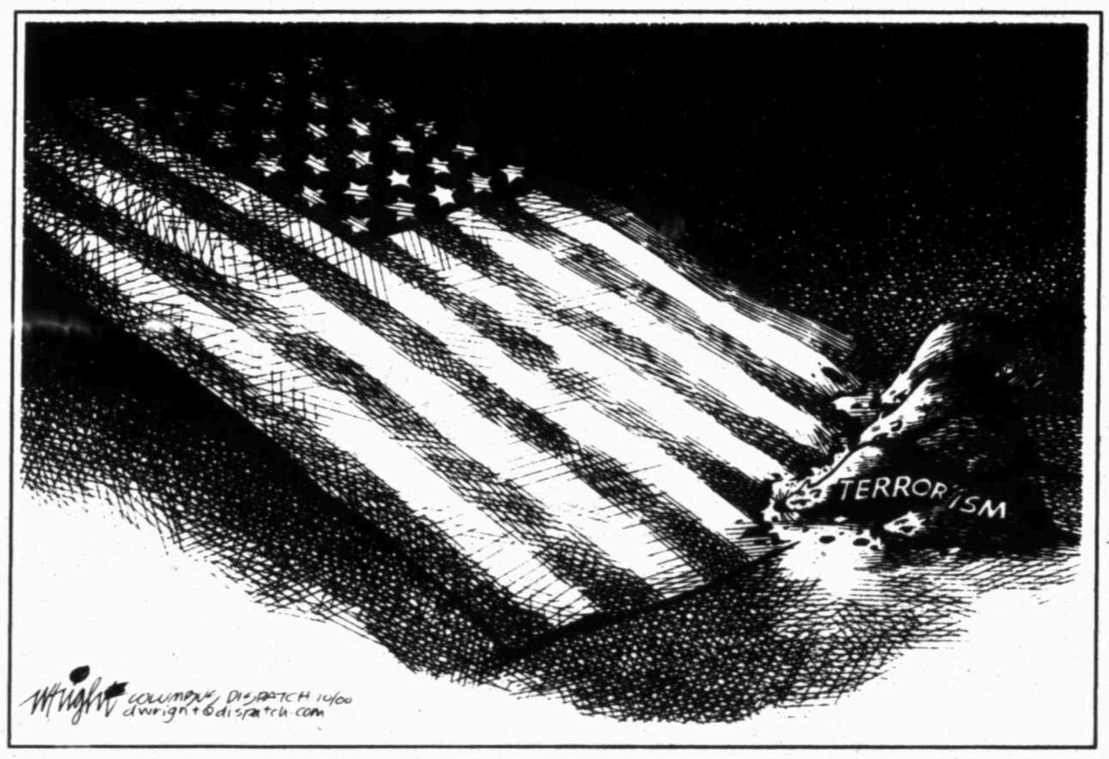
According to the College Board, tuition at public universities has increased by 51 percent since 1990. Private institutions have increased their tuitions by 34 percent. However, the median family income has only increased by 10 percent over the same period of time.

To counteract these increases, however, federal, state, and school loans and grants for students have increased as well. The College Board reported that sources for loans and grants were 4 percent greater than last year, which is about 88 percent more than 10 years ago. For the 1999-2000 academic year, 59 percent of the $68 billion available for financial aid came in the form of loans. That number was only 41 percent 10 years ago. However, the increasing amount of loans and grants do worry some lawmakers. Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., chairman of the Government Affairs Committee, expressed concern that the increase in loans and grants only leads institutions of higher learning to keep raising their rates. In an interview with CNN, Thompson said, "Some experts think that ... the more colleges and universities realize that these students are getting these increasing levels of assistance, then it causes them to raise their prices."

Apparently the real problem is a matter of good old-fashioned supply and demand. There are either too few schools or too few qualified professors. We suspect the latter.

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HELEN THOMAS

Presidential debates lack eloquence, inspired ideals and uplifting words

WASHINGTON — In the third and final debate of the 2000 presidential race, Vice President Al Gore followed the old axiom "Be yourself." It was good advice, as it turned out, because he won that round.

The first debate with a formal format was essentially a draw. Gore was faulted for being too aggressive while his opponent, Gov. George W. Bush, was praised for exceeding the low expectations set for him by debate watchers who knew that Gore excelled in such political combat. Gore also received demerits for sighing and shaking his head as Bush tried to make his points.



Thomas

As a consequence, Gore changed styles for the second debate. He toned down his pushy persona on the advice of his handlers and supporters and came off as a wimp — obsequious, apologetic, too humble. Bush, in turn, was seen as relaxed as he handled foreign policy issues with surprising skill. Again, he exceeded the low expectations that his aides nurtured among reporters.

In the third debate, Bush looked nervous and ill at ease in the beginning. He also snorted and guffawed at some of Gore's rebuttals. He had none of the aplomb he demonstrated in round two and remained essentially on the defensive as Gore took command of the stage and kept punching.

Gore, having been ridiculed as a man in search of an image, knew that it was important for him to recoup in round three — and I believe he did. He had the facts. He was specific and he could back up his positions.

The real Gore, known for a strong, take-no-prisoners debating style, reverted to form and it served him well.

Bush seemed unable to engage the specifics of the questions from the audience or to respond to Gore's detailed descriptions of issues. Instead of answering repeated questions about whether he endorsed the Norwood-Dingell bill that would regulate HMOs, the Texas governor drifted off into foggy cliches about the kind of leadership style he would bring to Washington.

Another question, this one from a woman who said she was 34 years old and single, sought information from the two candidates about how she would be affected by their different tax proposals.

Gore responded in a way that H&R Block would applaud. But when Bush's turn came, he sounded like he was on another planet. He talked about Medicare and promised the woman, "You're going to live in a peaceful world. You'll be in a world, hopefully, that more educated, so it's less likely you'll be harmed in your neighborhood. See, an educated child is one much more likely to be hopeful and optimistic. You'll be in a world in which — fits into my philosophy, you know, the harder work, the harder you work the more you can keep." You could almost see members of the audience wondering if they had missed something here, something that otherwise would have made sense out of Bush's nonsense.

Bush's riff was reminiscent of former President Ronald Reagan's first debate with Walter Mondale in 1984 when Reagan wandered away from the question and talked about going down a California highway. We're still not sure where that highway was going.

From the third debate, we learn that Bush agrees with Gore's charge that his $1 trillion tax cut over 10 years would benefit the rich more. That is the way it should be since they pay more taxes, Bush said. Again, his refrain: "I trust people. I don't trust the federal government making decisions on behalf of everybody."

Gore missed the boat in all the debates by failing to say that the Republican-controlled Congress had blocked most of the social measures proposed by the administration, including the patients' bill of rights.

Bush accused Gore of "fuzzy math" in the first debate. But it was Bush who was guilty of fuzzy thinking in the third debate. He said he wanted to rebuild the military and claimed to have a winning "strategy" for the problems in the Middle East. He did not explain it. He also said he wants to make sure that the public school system fulfills its promise that "not one child is left behind," whatever that means.

Eloquence, inspired ideals, uplifting words were lacking in all the dueling.

I keep being reminded of a 1964 cartoon when President Lyndon B. Johnson and Arizona Sen. Barry Goldwater were running for the presidency. A pollster knocks on a door and a frazzled looking woman, holding a broom, pokes her head out of a window.

When the pollster cites the candidates and asks her choice, she says: "Who else have you got?"

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CHARLEY REESE

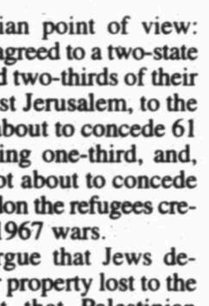
U.S. has blind eye toward Palestinians

The Israeli army admitted that it killed 12-year-old Mohammed Jamal Aldura Sept. 30 as he huddled next to his father on a street in Gaza.

Thanks to a cameraman for French television, his death was recorded and has been broadcast around the world. He will now be forever a symbol of Israeli brutality and savagery.

The Israelis also killed an ambulance driver trying to reach the dying boy and his wounded father. They fired on six other ambulances in other areas and shot three other Palestinian medics.

As of this writing, about 60 Palestinians have been killed, including a 10-year-old and an 18-month-old. All of them were killed in their own country. Obviously, Israel was not firing in self-defense. It was firing in defense of its illegal military occupation of Palestinian lands. Seven of the Palestinians who were killed hold Israeli citizenship. They, too, were killed in their own country. Seven years after the Oslo accords were signed, the Israelis still control, according to an article in the Israeli newspaper Haaretz, 61 percent of the West Bank and Gaza.



Reese

Here's the Palestinian point of view: When the Palestinians agreed to a two-state solution, they conceded two-thirds of their country, including West Jerusalem, to the Israelis. They are not about to concede 61 percent of the remaining one-third, and, most of all, they are not about to concede East Jerusalem or abandon the refugees created by the 1948 and 1967 wars.

How can anyone argue that Jews deserve compensation for property lost to the Nazi government but that Palestinian refugees, whose property was taken by Israel, have no right to compensation.

The important point for Americans to remember is that our government, acting like a trained monkey of the Israeli government, is not acting in America's national interests. We should support international law and should be neutral and evenhanded in trying to mediate the conflict. Instead, we use our veto to block the application of international law and the mediation consists of pressuring the Palestinians to take the crumbs that Israel offers.

That is not in our interest at all. The Israelis are playing with fire when they diddle about with the Haram Al-Sharif and the Al Aqsa Mosque. That is a holy site to all the world's 1.1 billion Muslims.

If the dispute becomes a religious war, which up to now it has not been, then there is no telling how far the violence will spread. It will certainly spread to attacks on American interests if the United States persists in its one-sided support of Israel's aggression and land-grabbing.

The simple solution to terrorism is to eliminate the unjust policies that cause it. The American government's deliberately blind eye to the abuse of Palestinian human rights is certainly an injustice.

The saddest aspect of all is that I don't believe American politicians care about Israelis or Palestinians. For the most cynical of reasons, they vote the agenda of the Israeli lobby to get campaign contributions and praise and avoid being called names. They know that most of their constituents don't give a flip about foreign-policy issues.

That American politicians treat so cavalierly an issue that other people are willing to die for is a disgrace. That much of the American news media are so eager to make excuses for Israeli bad behavior or ignore their human-rights abuses altogether is likewise a disgrace.

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WEBZONE

IFILM hopes surfers start shopping for a little fun

By Gary Gentile
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Attending an Internet conference, for a time, was like going to the "Futurama" exhibit at the 1964 New York World's Fair.

Instead of flying cars and robot servants, the gatherings were filled with predictions of full-blown Internet television networks, complete with fall schedules and projected hit series.

Then came March's stellar collapse of the Digital Entertainment Network, one of the grandest and most closely watched of the new companies. A freefall of Internet stocks followed in April as investors began to tire of empty profit promises.

Companies postponed or abandoned initial public offerings. Lush venture capital pools became as dry as Death Valley.

Amid the uncertainty in Internet entertainment, IFILM, founded in October 1998, emerged as among the more promising contenders.

Late last year, the company decided to abandon its original strategy of featuring original short films and become a "portal," linking viewers to films on other sites and offering its own magazine-style features. IFILM also went on a buying spree, acquiring small publishing firms to beef up services it provides entertainment industry professionals.

"There are a lot of products on the Web masquerading as companies," said chief executive Kevin Wendle. "Our goal is to build a company with many different product lines and that's how you build a great company."

In short, IFILM has adopted the strategy that has made San Francisco-based CNET Networks Inc. successful — building a brand identity and extending it to television, radio and magazines as well as the Internet.

Wendle is in a good position to know what makes for success.

The 42-year old millionaire, a founding partner of CNET, helped launch the Fox Broadcasting Network in 1986 and co-founded EOnline, the Web version of E! Entertainment Television. Wendle is also IFILM's largest single investor, contributing $10 million of the $44 million the company has raised.

IFILM's profile shot up in September when it turned down the chance to buy Pop.com, the Internet arm of Steven Spielberg's DreamWorks Studio. Pop, which had yet to launch, also had talks with Seattle-based AtomFilms, then decided to shut down when it failed to find a buyer.

IFILM's strategy mirrors a shift among Internet entertainment companies since the beginning of the year.

Instead of relying on attracting visitors to a Web site and making money through advertising and e-commerce, many are casting themselves as studios or "incubators."

Sites such as AntEye, Icebox, Mediatrip and Z.com now serve as scouts for film studios and television networks, essentially producing low-cost pilots and hoping for a hit.

Icebox and Romp.com have already seen shows picked up by cable television networks ("Starship Regulars" for Showtime, for instance). Reelshort, which recently changed its name to Hypnotic, teamed with Universal Studios, a major investor, and will give the studio a first look at all its programming.

"I give them credit for seeing early that the 'destination site' direction was not the one to go in," Robert Hertzberg, an analyst at Jupiter Research, said of IFILM.

The major studios as well have backed off from grand plans to produce shows for the Internet, opting instead for sites that promote their traditional films and television programs. That has included the posting of trailers.

"I produced television for 20 years and it's hard enough creating content that is available in 100 million homes, let alone content that is available in 3 million," Wendle said, referring to one estimate of the number of homes with high-speed Internet connections capable of handling video.

Numbers are still a problem for entertainment on the Web and will be until more homes get high-speed connections.

IFILM, for instance, attracted 723,000 unique visitors in August as measured by Media Metrix. That's quite a jump from the 333,000 it attracted in July, but a far cry from the 5.4 million who visited Shockwave.com in August, a site that features programs made with its Flash animation software.

Viewing films and animation on the Web doesn't even make the list of the top 15 Web activities as measured by Forrester Research. Even Shockwave's numbers pale against the 15.6 million who shopped at Amazon.com or the 12.1 million who visited CNET in August.

"There's no significant consumer demand for online movies at this point," said Jupiter's Hertzberg. "It's been mostly a curiosity and a niche market."

Wendle remains confident, however, that IFILM's success will come not from its Web traffic, but from extending its brand off-line. The company will produce a magazine-style half-hour television show that will be shown next year on the Independent Film Channel.

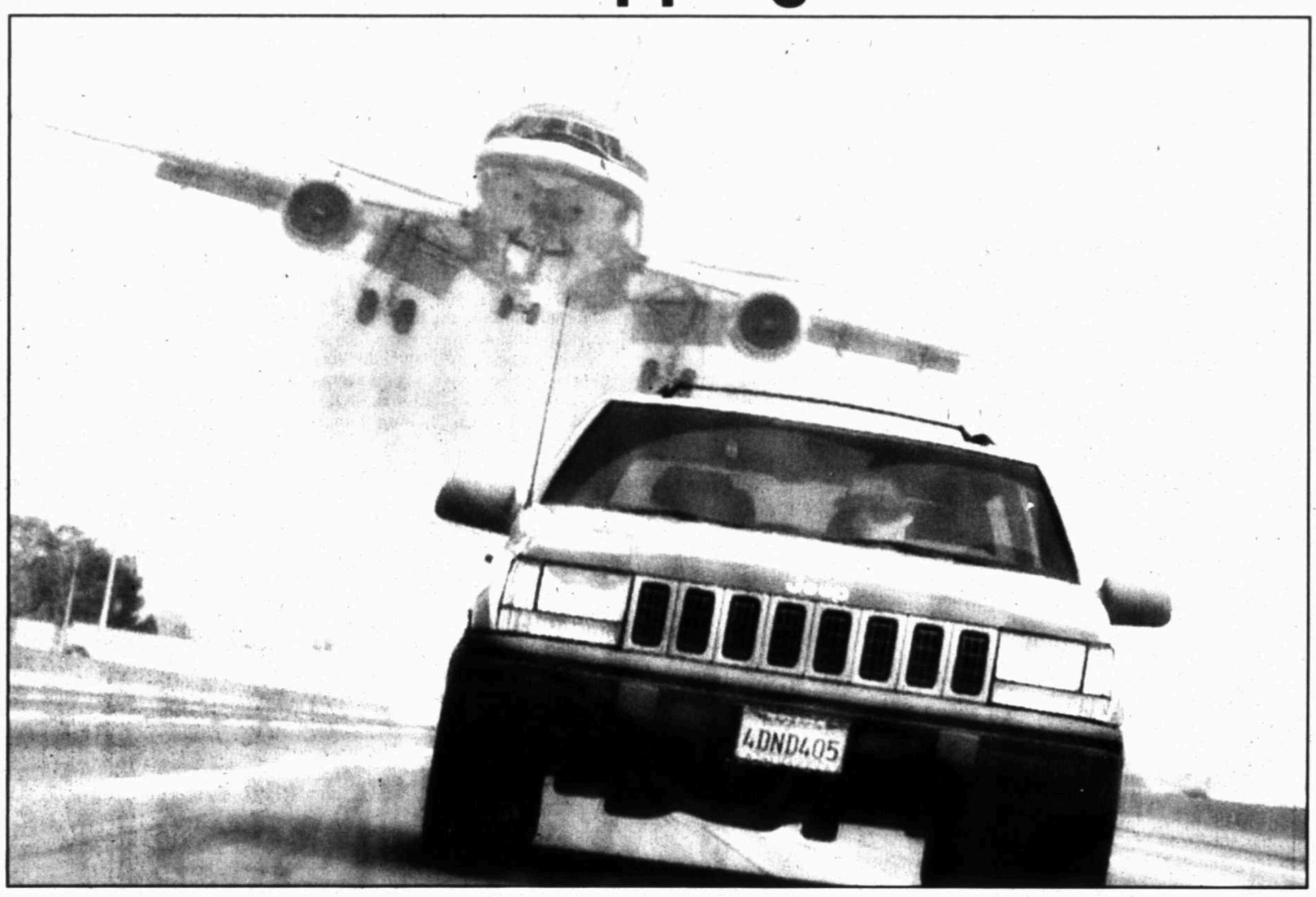
The company is also using the data it collects on its own viewers to help movie studios and television networks test coming attractions, promos for new shows and, using newly developed three-dimensional video technology, the design of video packaging.

"We can take a movie trailer and put in online, target it to 500 people and evaluate it overnight," Wendle said.

IFILM also runs IFILMPro, a separate service for film industry professionals. The site allows executives to track scripts, scout locations and hire production talent.

While IFILM and Wendle draw praise from analysts and competitors, the challenges the company faces are tremendous.

"Their business model is very service oriented and I don't see a tremendous amount of leverage in it," Hertzberg said. "If it's possible to find some leverage there, maybe he'll do it. But it's not a sure bet."



AP Photo

The still image shown here of a jet plane about to land behind a Jeep on California's 405 Freeway is a computer-generated scene from a 2:38-minute Internet film by the company IFILM, showing exclusively on the Internet. IFILM, founded in October, 1998, decided late last year to abandon its original strategy of featuring original short films and become a "portal," linking viewers to films on other sites and offering its own editorial advice. The company also went on a buying spree, acquiring small publishing firms to beef up its business-to-business offerings.

On the Net:
http://www.ifilm.com
http://www.hypnotic.com
http://www.eonline.com

Number of vistors to entertainment Web sites

Associated Press

Unique visitors to entertainment Web sites in August as measured by Media Metrix:

- ☆ Shockwave — 5.4 million
- ☆ AtomFilms — 794,000
- ☆ IFILM — 723,000
- ☆ Icast.com — 343,000
- ☆ Icebox.com — 326,000
- ☆ Z.com — 206,000

Two guys and a computer make a Web hit movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Imagine the relief of finding a ritually congested highway suddenly traffic-free. Then a glance in the rearview mirror reveals the reason: a 747 landing right behind you.

That's the premise of "405: The Movie," a short film produced by two California computer graphics artists and a break-out hit on IFILM.

The film, which runs about two-and-a-half minutes, has been seen more than 2 million times since it debuted on the site in June.

The movie not only drove traffic to IFILM, it boosted its credibility after the two creators, Bruce Branit and Jeremy Hunt, were signed by CAA, one of the country's largest talent agencies.

Most of the movie's images, from the airplane to the Jeep being driven by Hunt, are computer-generated. But it's the short film's premise and surprise ending that has given the two friends their break.

Through CAA, the pair are considering offers to direct music videos and commercials. They are also creating other short films for the Internet. Eventually, they would like the same kind of opportunities given to another pair of screenwriter buddies — Matt Damon and Ben Affleck.

"We're all-around storytellers," Branit said. "We want to write, direct and produce our own feature films."

WEB BITS NEW

Phone fairies

Instant messages

Sprint PCS users found Thursday that the phone fairies were hard at work overnight, installing three new messaging services on all of their Web-enabled phones.

At 2 a.m. Central time, Sprint activated AOL Instant Messenger, which sends real-time messages between wired and wireless devices; Short Mail, which creates shortcuts for sending text messages to other Sprint phones; and Wireless Chat, a real-time chat room.

Sprint's AOL Instant Messenger is similar to the desktop version. The user will create a Buddy List of friends' AOL user names, and the phone will show which of those friends are online or have their phones ready to receive.

Instant messages set off alerts to signal when new messages have arrived. Users can block their names from the Buddy List when they don't want to be interrupted.

The phone version of Instant Messenger saves triple-tap typing through a menu of 22 prepared messages under headings like these: Greetings ("How's it going?"), Coordination ("Where are we meeting?") and Smileys, which send emoticons like wink (;-)) or cool (8-)).

Short Mail also shortcuts typing though 26 prepared messages ("Call me ASAP"), but also lets users create 35 custom responses, like "I swear I'm not at the track." It can also send e-mail to other Sprint PCS phones by using the phone numbers, rather than requiring the e-mail addresses, of the phones' owners. ATT announced a similar feature, ATT Wireless Two-Way Messaging, three days ago.

The real-time chat room, powered by Jumbuck WAPchat, acts just like any online chat room, allowing up to 20 people per room to discuss topics like Teens, Sports and Hollywood.

The difference is that this version is restricted to phone users so people with a keyboard won't have an advantage over those laboriously tapping out their messages on a phone keypad.

Digital assistants

Twist on the '90s organizer

In the wake of the success of the Palm, the shape of personal digital assistants has morphed to imitate the large, open face of Palm devices. But Diamond Multimedia, the company that introduced the first commercial MP3 music player a couple of years ago, has decided to go retro with its new PDA, the Mako.

About the size of an eyeglass case, the Mako is built into a clamshell design with a tiny qwerty keyboard, much like the first organizers that flooded electronic stores in the early 1990s.

But the Mako is far more powerful, running on a 32-bit processor and coming with 16 megabytes of storage.

Billed as a "connected organizer," the Mako comes with word processing and spreadsheet software as well as standard PDA goodies like contact and agenda programs.

When coupled with optional accessories, like a 56K travel modem, the Mako, which costs $399, can send and receive e-mail like a much bigger desktop computer does, as well as communicate wirelessly with digital telephones with infrared capabilities.

Internet appliances

WebPAD

Honeywell has its own take on the wireless Web, which, if not as big as all outdoors, is at least as big as your backyard.

Honeywell's WebPAD is a wireless Internet appliance. Bigger than a Palm but smaller than a laptop, the WebPAD is designed to browse the full Web and provide e-mail service through a wireless connection to a base station. (The WebPAD has to be within 150 feet of the Proxim Access Point Base Station, also from Honeywell, to work.) Looking a lot like an Etch A Sketch, the device has a 10-inch, full-color LCD touch screen; it comes with a stylus and a lithium battery that should last between four and five hours between charges. The device also comes loaded with Windows CE versions of Internet Explorer and Word.

The WebPAD has a few features, other than the wireless connection, that set it apart from other Internet appliances. First, it will work with any Internet service provider. Second, the WebPAD provides online access for users who also have Honeywell's Home Controller Gateway, allowing them to control the lighting, heating and security in their homes.

But those features do come at a steep price of $995. The company also recommends using the WebPAD only with a cable modem or DSL connection, and the required base station is an additional $195. (It is possible to use an existing dial-up modem if you already have a computer, but that requires a separate connection, also sold by Honeywell.)

And unlike regular kitchen appliances, the WebPAD slices but it doesn't always dice. The current version can download most files but can't handle Shockwave and some QuickTime plug-ins, for example, and it can't (gasp!) download MP3 files, although Honeywell promises that will change with its next release. In the meantime, the WebPAD lets you wander the Web, but be careful what you bring home.

TV photos

FotoShow

By stuffing a Power PC microprocessor chip into a Zip drive, the Iomega Corp. has created a gadget that allows digital camera owners to use their television, rather than a computer, to view their snapshots. "The television is really a natural place to view photos," said Robert Puzey, product manager for the Iomega FotoShow Digital Image Center.

After connecting the FotoShow, which looks like a 250-megabyte Zip drive, to any TV set, users of cameras with either Compact Flash or SmartMedia storage cards can directly transfer photos. The FotoShow stores those images, in turn, on standard 100-MB or 250-MB Zip disks.

Once the photos are loaded, users can retreat to the sofa. A special remote control combined with a software chip in the FotoShow unit allows basic photo editing, including cropping and red-eye removal, on the television screen. Users can also assemble their pictures into digital albums with the remote.

The FotoShow can be plugged into any computer running Windows or the Macintosh operating system through a USB port to allow users to download images from the Web, a scanner or cameras that use other storage systems. The internal photo editing software, however, only works on the TV set. "We think that most people already have imaging software on their computers," Puzey said.

When connected to a computer, the $299 FotoShow can also be used like a regular Zip drive to store any kind of data. Puzey is hoping that the device will open up digital photography to people who don't have a computer and don't want to acquire one.

"Now Grandma can get a digital camera and easily enjoy the pictures she's taken," he said.

Compiled from New York Times wire reports.

CAMPAIGN 2000

■ Governors assist Bush

George W. Bush's energized campaign edged closer to the finish line on Sunday with what could be a $500,000 political stunt or a three-day barnstorm with 29 of the nation's other 30 Republican governors. The governors are gathering in Bush's stomping grounds of Austin, Texas, to launch what they are calling a "Barnstorm for Reform tour through 25 states representing 319 electoral votes. "The Republican governors are the base of the Republican party and are Bush's biggest asset," GOP strategist Scott Reed said. "These are folks that have run and won races in all the battleground states and are a crucial part of Bush's tactical team."

■ Gore in fight for Louisiana

The Gore campaign said on Saturday that it intends to fight all-out for Louisiana and a number of other swing states, including Ohio, where earlier reports had indicated the vice president might be pulling out. Recent polls have shown Republican Gov. George W. Bush with a slight lead over Gore in Louisiana. Gore attended two fund-raisers Friday night and an outdoor rally along the Mississippi River on Saturday, which drew thousands. In a zany moment, Gore told the river crowd: "You see these fish here? I went to Chicago and I saw a lot of cows. I came to New Orleans and I saw a lot of fish. I came here to fish for votes! I need your support! Are you with me?"

■ McCain on the stump for Bush

Republican vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney joined Arizona Sen. John McCain in Plymouth, Mich., on Saturday for the first time the two have appeared on the campaign trail together. Cheney told supporters that, if elected, George W. Bush will restore the prestige that the U.S. military has not enjoyed since Republicans were in the White House. A former rival, McCain defeated Bush in Michigan during that state's presidential primary.

■ Gore touts more cash

Al Gore matched George W. Bush commercial for commercial last month, yet the Democrat entered October with $6.2 million more in the bank than his Republican opponent, Federal Election Commission records released Friday showed. Gore began the month with $41.2 million on hand, compared to Bush's $35 million. Gore advisers promise the money will be poured into last-minute TV commercials in states where the contest remains dead even. However, that doesn't mean that Bush is wanting for cash because Bush still has the deep pockets of the Republican National Committee to tap into. The RNC reported $19 million more in the bank at the end of September than the Democratic National Committee.

■ Ad for Gore features Bush

Still undecided? So is a billboard alongside a Charlotte highway. An advertising agency's apparent mistake led to the billboard on Interstate 485 that proclaims "Gore 2000" but shows a smiling picture of George W. Bush. Boone-Oakley Agency executive David Oakley acknowledged the error Saturday and said it would be fixed Monday.

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Unmarried voters largely ignored in presidential race

■ World news/3B

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — In their first debate, Al Gore said the word "family" 13 times and "parents" four times. George W. Bush referred to "families" twice and "parents" once.

Neither said "single" or "unmarried," so it's no small wonder that Yvonne Farrell feels left out. The 38-year-old programs assistant at St. Alban's Parish in Washington, D.C., is unmarried and says none of the White House candidates is paying her any attention.

"I go through the campaign literature ... and all I see is family, family, family," said Farrell, who is divorced with no children. "They shouldn't act like we're poison."

Single, childless people are casualties of the battle between Democrats and Republicans over which party can wave the family values flag higher, said Thomas Coleman, executive director of the American Association for Single People, a Los Angeles-based advocacy group.

Having been cast as opposing family values in past presidential races and tainted by the Monica Lewinsky scandal, Democrats feel they have to "look more family oriented and say 'families' more than the Republicans," Coleman said.

"They want to win the family values debate," he said. "We have nothing against that, but how about a little more balance?"

Even Ralph Nader, a bachelor who is the Green Party's presidential candidate, has ignored issues important to singles.

Almost 80 million people, or about 40 percent of people over age 18, are widowed, divorced or have never married, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

To rectify the situation, the American Association for Single People has launched a $114,000 advertising campaign drawing attention to unmarried, childless voters. Ads have run in USA Today and the Los Angeles Times. They will appear later in the Village Voice, L.A. Weekly and Student Leader magazine.

"Are you one of the 80 million single or unmarried adults ignored by the George W. Bush and Al Gore campaigns?" the ad says. "How many ways are we discriminated against? Let us count them for you."

According to the ad, single people receive fewer job benefits such as health insurance for spouses and children; they are often lumped into a "high risk" class by insurance companies and are charged a higher rate than married co-workers; and they are denied "family" discounts for roommates or partners. Married couples are not taxed by the federal government for workplace benefits or inheritance when a spouse dies, while single people are, the ad says.

There is no federal protection against marital bias in employment, housing or business transactions, according to the ad.

Republican vice presidential candidate Dick Cheney said the Bush campaign isn't ignoring singles.

"I don't feel that we've discriminated against anybody on the basis of whether they are married or single," Cheney said during a stop in Ocala this week.

Gore campaign spokesman Liz Lubow said unmarried people would benefit from Gore policies, such as a patients' bill of rights and tax credit for employers who train workers.

Reform Party presidential candidate Pat Buchanan said his campaign doesn't have any specific proposals for unmarried people.

Natural Law Party candidate John Hagelin, who is on the ballots in 41 states and is a member of the American Association of Single for Single People, said the major-party candidates are ignoring a large segment of the electorate.

"There is a continuous pandering to working middle-class families," said Hagelin, a childless divorcee. "I don't understand the pandering to that important interest group when there are as many single people and they don't seem to be mentioned."

Singles may never become a potent political force because the group is always changing.

"There are always people entering it and there are people leaving it," Coleman said. "When you're a woman or if you're black, you're that for life."

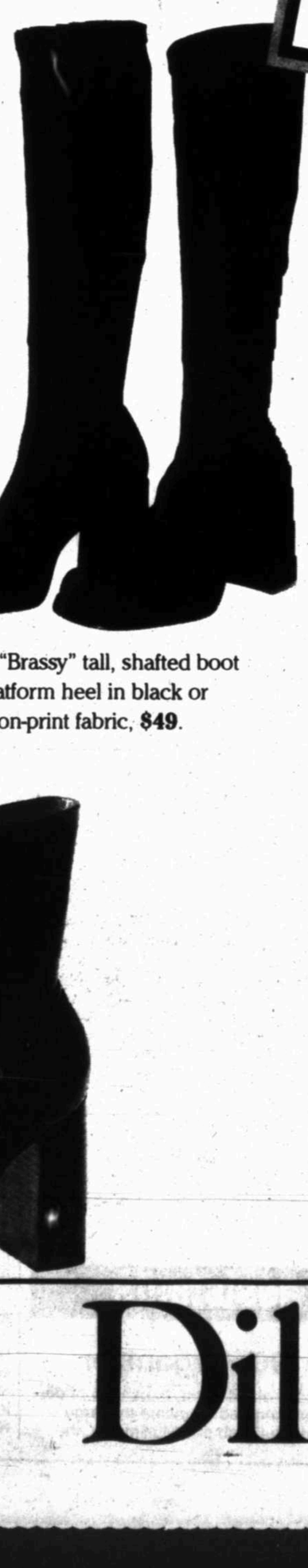
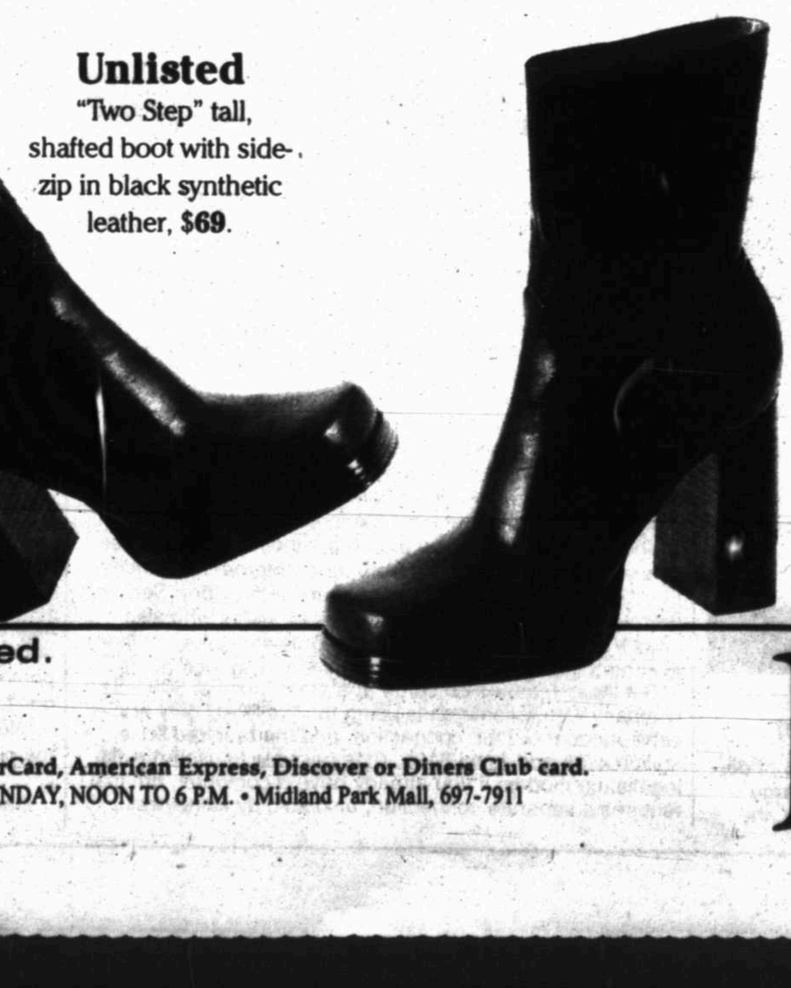

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Trip to the mall is all that's needed to provide creative Halloween costume

Halloween is coming, and you parents know what that means! It means it's time for you to make fun and creative costumes for your kids. Otherwise you are not as good as the other parents.

Even as you read these words, competing parents — the kind of people whose homes have candles burning in front of statues of Martha Stewart — are hunched over their work benches, creating costumes that require more time and effort than you spent planning your wedding. These are the parents you see on the "home and family" segments of morning TV shows just before Halloween:

HOST: Our next parent is Mrs. Shirley Hamperwinkle, who has dressed her daughter, Tiffany, as an exact replica of the Eiffel Tower! What an amazing costume! However did you do it, Shirley?



Barry

PARENT: Well, Sue, first I forged 12,000 miniature steel girders in my home blast furnace, using ore I dug out of my garden. I assembled these girders using 2.5 million tiny handmade rivets with the help of my husband, Ed, before he ran off. Then I attached the tower to Tiffany using 147 surgical screws.

HOST: But how does she take the costume off?

PARENT (becoming agitated): Take it off? Take it *off*?? *Why would she take it off?*

This is the kind of parent you're up against. So you can't just throw some half-baked costume together at the last minute, the way we did in my childhood, when 80 to 90 percent of us kids stumbled around blindly on Halloween night wearing bed sheets with poorly aligned eye holes. We were supposed to look like ghosts, although this never made a ton of sense to me. I mean, ghosts are the spirits of dead people, right? Why would dead people wear bed sheets? Did they all die in an explosion at a hotel laundry?

I preferred to trick-or-treat as a vampire, which I felt was much scarier. The problem was the plastic vampire teeth. I have a powerful gag reflex, so when people opened their doors, instead of being terrified by the awesome, bone-chilling specter of the Prince of Darkness, they'd see this short, caped person, retching. Their only terror was that I might throw up on their shoes.

But getting back to my point: As a modern parent, you need to get to work on your children's costumes right now. Don't worry if you're not the "artsy" type! I have a really original and creative costume idea for you. Start by gathering together the following arts-and-crafts materials: car keys and money

OK! Now drive to the mall and buy your child a creative and original costume that was originally created in a factory in Taiwan. You'll have lots of choices.

For little boys, you may choose from the following: Superman, Batman, Spiderman, the X-Men, Buzz Lightyear, Darth Maul, Rex Kilometer, Commander Strafe, Buck Gouge, The Violence Squadron, the Legion of Compound Fractures, the Masters of Really Hard Face Punching, and Al Gore.

For little girls, you may choose from the following: Ballerina Barbie, Princess Barbie, Cheerleader Barbie, Presidential Intern Barbie, Bride Barbie, Joint Chiefs of Staff Barbie, The Barbie Formerly Known As Barbie and Al Gore.

Now your kids are all set for some real trick-or-treat fun! But before you let them leave the house, the U.S. Department of Consumer Nervousness reminds you to follow these important Halloween safety rules:

■ Be aware that many municipalities have established special dates for trick-or-treating. For safety reasons, these dates are never on Halloween. Some of them are closer to Easter.

■ Make sure each child is carrying a fire extinguisher and wearing a head-mounted smoke detector.

■ Trick-or-treat candy may have been tampered with, so you should take it away from your children, check it carefully, then eat it.

■ Never allow your children to trick-or-treat at night, or in dangerous areas such as outdoors.

Remember: The important thing is to have fun in a safe and federal manner. Even you adults can join in the Halloween fun! Why not think of a clever and topical costume? For example, if you're a fat hairy man, you can walk around naked; if the police stop you, simply explain that you're trick-or-treating as the guy who won the million dollars on "Survivor." I'm sure the police will applaud your cleverness. Then they'll take you to a place where you can make your one phone call — to Defense Attorney Barbie.

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Person to Person

With Johnnye Montgomery





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Artist Ann Finnell paints on walls and fences and creates realistic large-as-life doors, gates and pathways.

Mural artist

Ann Finnell

No matter how far you travel, sooner or later, either by a twist of fate or luck or through the workings of commerce, diplomacy and the world-wide amateur sporting community, your beginnings can often meet you face to face as if you'd never left.

Twenty hours away by jet, Ann Finnell's home recently came to her, via television and the Internet. She's a native of Sydney, South Wales, Australia, which was made familiar through coverage of the Olympics. Although Sydney has grown to more than 7 million people and much of what Ann knew has changed, there are still eucalyptus and gum trees in the backyards, and the Australian character has remained as generous as she remembers.

The Australian woman who said she was sitting on the Cubans' side during one Olympic contest because she felt sorry for them is typical Australian rationale, Ann said.

Coverage included Watson's Bay, where her mother, Josephine Renshaw, had lived. It was a poignant moment for Ann; her mother died three years ago.

It was art that brought Ann to the United States and art and love that keep her here.

Much of her work is on display on walls and fences here in Midland and Odessa.

Her son, Joey Williams, is in Kittering, Maine, at the U.S. Navy base, where he's studying to be a nuclear engineer; her younger son, James Williams, is in 10th grade at New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell.

Ann, whose uncle Jack Renshaw was once the premier (similar to a U.S. governor) of New South Wales, grew up in an artistic family of four children. They were all encouraged by their mother, who made it her mission to advance her children's opportunities.

"My mother was always our hardest and best critic," Ann said. "As we were growing up, she entered us into every little art contest she could find. She also dragged us into all the top art galleries in Sydney when we were little kids, and that's how she propelled us into our careers.

"She never once looked at a painting and said 'Oh, isn't that marvelous.' She'd say, 'You need more depth, or, 'You really need to work on that,' and my brother, John, who also paints, would take umbrage at that. But I never did, because she always explained that it was constructive criticism, and I could also see that she was right," Ann said.

"When you're young and talented, you'll always find people who fawn over you and tell you how great you are, but from my mother, we learned that we could do better."

Ann's mother also found the best teachers for each child's particular talent.

While her sister went to a private art school and learned to do silkscreen-printing and another brother was learning to draw cartoons, Ann and John went to boarding schools and took art classes at a Sydney technical school.

"The teacher was an old beatnik, with a long fat braid and thick glasses, and she was a marvelous teacher," Ann recalls.

"All the other children were doing cute little paintings and that was all right, but she would look at John's and mine, and say, 'Oh, dear, I know you can do better than that.' And of course, we could, and we did."

Ann was 7 when she received her first commission. "Johnny and I were hand-painting 500 invitations for the wedding anniversary of a friend of my mother's, and she paid us (the equivalent of) about 25 cents each. The invitations had a picture of a man and a woman with a stained glass window behind them. John painted the man and I painted the woman — a lady wearing a big feather hat.

"My mother's friend loved the work so much that she commissioned me to paint the woman on canvas," Ann said.

She said her mother always seemed to have friends who led glamorous exciting lives. They made a lasting impact on Ann.

"Once, one of my mother's best friends called us into her bedroom and I was about 11 at the time. She asked me what I wanted to do when I grew up, and I told her that I wanted to be a fashion illustrator.

"I said that because this woman was so warm and she was extremely glamorous, and I was quite taken with her. Possibly, she influenced me. When you're growing up, you always have idols."

Another friend of Ann's mother was a divorcee who flew off to Italy and returned with a young Italian boyfriend.

"She lived in a two-story white house, and she was so glamorous," Ann remembers. "I thought if only I could grow up and look like that. Once when I was about 12, I remember going over to her house and she came out with her blonde hair done in a French twist and she was wearing this tiny little turquoise bikini, and of course, she had this gorgeous tan all over. Images like that stay with you forever.

"These women adored my mother, and they would arrive at our doorstep on a cold winter's day, and my mother would be baking, and they would say, 'Oh, Josie, I just knew that if I came to your house you'd have a cake baking,' and of course, my mother always did have a cake baking."

When Ann was 17 she attended a commercial art school in Sydney. The head of the school took some of her drawings to the offices of Woman's Weekly, Woman's Day and Cosmopolitan magazines and showed them to the editors. Woman's Day offered her a job. She took it but left that publication to work for Vogue in New York. While she was there, she met a West Texas rancher.

She married him and moved to the Fort Davis area, where his family had a ranch. They had a son, Joey, and lived at Fort Davis a couple of years. They later lived in Australia, at the Great Barrier Reef, for five years, where they managed a coffee and coconut plantation. Their second son, James, was born in Australia.

When they returned to the United States, things had changed between them, and they realized that their marriage was over.

Ann's painting had also changed. Instead of doing fashion illustrations, she was now doing trompe l'oeil — large-as-life scenes painted to fool the eye — on walls and fences, creating doors and gates and pathways so real that you think you can walk right through and touch the leaves and flowers. You almost smell the blossoms and feel the stones under your feet.

She moved to Midland, where she had friends, and set up a studio she calls "Koolobagh Art," then began to change the landscape almost immediately. She worked inside at first, painting a mural for an adolescent girl's bedroom, then going outside to work on a privacy fence in 100-degree heat.

"I called that my killer job," Ann said, laughing. "And I didn't realize how many more of these I'd be doing."

She also took steps early on to get involved in Midland's art community. Her first year she answered phones for the Celebration of the Arts, a job she also volunteered for last May.

As far as her art goes, Ann said she's not locked into murals or trompe l'oeil. Paintings in her portfolio include portraits, a copy of a painting in the Sistine Chapel, cartoons and a picture of a West Texas cowgirl that she calls "Cheap Love and Money."

"Actually, I like the title better than I like the picture," she said. "A friend sent me a tape of a song he'd written with that title, and I thought what a great title, so I drew the cowgirl, and sent it to him, and he paid me for it. He didn't have to do that, but he did."

She's been thinking about changing the name of her studio to something less Australian — something that Midlanders can relate to a little better. Still, though, the next time you run smack up against a wall that you thought was a pathway, take a deep breath and you just might get a whiff of eucalyptus. Or listen, and you just might hear the far-away sound of a didgeridoo.

Ha Ha Ha Ha

Humor to start your week ...

A man walking on a beach found a bottle. He pulled the cork and out popped a genie, who told the man he could have one wish — anything he wanted.

The man told the genie that he wanted to go to Hawaii. He said that he was afraid to fly and couldn't swim and wanted the genie to build him a road to Hawaii.

"Do you know how many pillars and how much concrete that will take?" the genie asked. "Pick something else."

"OK. Tell me how to understand women and how they think."

The genie paused before answering. "Do you want a two-lane road or a four-lane road?"

— Contributed by Midlander Louise Hamilton

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Across the state of Texas, early voting starts Monday

FORT WORTH (AP) — After watching the Republican and Democratic national conventions, presidential debates and various news programs about the upcoming election, Crandall and Ruth Hunt can't wait to vote — so they won't.

They are among thousands of Texans expected to take part in early voting, which starts Monday and ends Nov. 3.

"Walking is hard for me, and standing in line would be a problem, so we're voting early," said Ruth Hunt, 79, of Fort Worth.

A third of those voting in the Nov. 7 general election are expected to cast their ballots early, said Jane Dees, a spokeswoman for the Texas secretary of state's office.

More people usually go to the polls when there is a presidential election, she said.

Turnout for the 1996 general election was 53 percent of 10.5 million registered Texas voters. State officials have not predicted how many Texans will vote this year.

"I think that with the race being close, that will generate more turnout," Dees said. "Plus there are some hot local issues that really get the people out to vote."

The Hunts have heard some people say they won't bother voting because they assume Gov. George W. Bush will get more votes in Texas than Vice President Al Gore.

But the Hunts, who support Bush, say they're not taking anything for granted.

"We feel it's still important to vote, even if we thought it was a lead-pipe cinch that (Bush) would take Texas," said Crandall Hunt, 81.

Registered voters do not need a reason to vote in person before Election Day, Dees said. People should check with their county to find out the location and hours of the early voting polling places.

Registered voters may vote early by mail if they will be out of the county on Nov. 7 and the period set aside to vote early in person. People who are disabled, at least 65 or in jail also may vote early by mail.

Applications to receive a ballot by mail must be received by Oct. 31. Then the ballots must be received before the polls close on Election Day.

Lillian Bellows, 96, who uses a wheelchair to get around her Fort Worth retirement complex, is excited about the election and plans to mail her ballot next week. Bellows is voting for Gore.

She remembers when Congress ratified the 19th Amendment in 1920, giving women the right to vote. Bellows doesn't understand why more people don't go to the polls.

"I've always voted," she said. "In one respect, I consider it a religion."

The state has several get-out-the-vote programs and solicits money from private donors, usually businesses, to help cover those costs. That fund has about $20,000, Dees said.

The state concentrates voter awareness program efforts on children, hoping they will spread the message to parents.

The state helps sponsor an annual "Why My Parents Should Vote" essay contest and provides school districts with teaching materials on voting awareness, Dees said. About 100 school districts participate in the voting curriculum, she said.

About 540 schools will conduct mock elections with the presidential ballot and a local congressional race and report those results to the Secretary of State's Office, Dees said.

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DEAR ABBY

Traveling in RV offers no recreation for wife

DEAR ABBY: Ten years ago, my husband decided that we would purchase a motor home and travel.

Biggest mistake I ever made. He refuses to look at a map. I am supposed to give the exact directions to all places, and if I get us lost, he goes totally berserk. We spend our nights in dirty truck stops; we do not "see the sights" because he passes everything by. I am supposed to do all the cooking, cleaning, etc. And to top it off, I get to do the laundry in the seediest Laundromats — with no help from him.


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We spend two or three months a year cooped up in this tiny space while he watches TV (his channels). I have no place to carry a few hobby-type things to keep me from getting bored. Most of the time he's in a rotten mood, and I can't get away.

Ladies, please think twice before your better half talks you into an RV. I would love to stay home, but he's so unreasonable, he won't hear of it. I try to tell him my feelings, but he doesn't want to hear them. How do I handle this situation? I simply hate this lifestyle. It is not fun. It is claustrophobic and inconvenient. — RV PRISONER IN LAS VEGAS

DEAR PRISONER: It's time to parole yourself. You have tolerated this situation far longer than most women would have. RVing is not for everyone. Turn up the volume and inform your jailer that you've served your time. Either he immediately begins pulling his fair share of the "housekeeping" chores and sharing the remote control, or you're on the next plane home. Then do it.

DEAR ABBY: I just finished reading the letter from "Fuming in Ridgefield, N.J.," who was upset because she didn't receive a thank-you letter from her friend's daughter after sending a wedding gift.

A few months following my wedding, a friend of mine was married and I sent a gift. During the time that her thank-you notes would have been written, I moved to another address. Although I had my mail forwarded, I know of several pieces I did not receive. Because I didn't receive a thank-you note from my friend, I assumed it was lost in the mail, and I have never mentioned it to her. While I agree that it is unacceptable not to send a thank-you for a gift, I thought this might shed some light on why some people may not receive one. — THANKFUL IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR THANKFUL: If an acknowledgment of a gift is not forthcoming, the giver should diplomatically ask if the gift was received. Let me share a story with you:

One day I was talking with the late David Orgell, a brilliant retailer in Beverly Hills, whose store was patronized by celebrities and other wealthy folk. What he told me was an eye-opener. He said that finding delivery people he could trust was an ongoing problem, because packages were sometimes stolen by store couriers. He said florists and other retailers experience the same frustrating problem. He was emphatic that if acknowledgment of a gift is not received, the sender should follow up by asking if the package ever arrived. He also suggested that when instructing a store to deliver a gift, proof of delivery should be requested — meaning that someone must sign for it.

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TALKIN' TEXAS

Man with quick wit has only parking meter in town

By Tumbleweed Smith

John Foster has a parking meter in front of his office in downtown Henderson. It is the only parking meter in town. It has a small sign on it with the words park- printed on it.


Smith

"Most of the time nobody parks there because they think they'll have to pay," says John. "They don't see the little sign saying they can park free. Lots of people pull in there and start fumbling for change. That's what's funny. Seeing these ladies looking in their purses trying to find a nickel."

He says people will try to put money in it, discover the coins won't go, then they'll see the sign and laugh.

"A few times, some people have become irritated."

Parking meters were removed in downtown Henderson about 15 years ago. The previous owner of this building didn't let them take this one, however. When John bought the building, he just kept it there.

"It's real easy to tell people where my office is. I tell them it's right behind the parking meter."

John grew up in Tulia. He had a paper route and on one of his collecting trips a customer told him the money was out there where he usually found his paper.

"He had put his monthly fee for the paper in a jar that was in a ditch way in front of his house."

John had trouble with spelling in Tulia. He was in a county-wide spelling bee when he was in the fifth grade.

"My mama was so proud of me. There was supposed to be four students from Kress, four from Happy and four from Tulia in the contest But the students from Kress and Happy didn't show up. There were four students in the contest and I finished fourth."

He misspelled the word potato.

"I spelled it t-a-t-e-r. One of the judges jumped up and told me I had missed it because I put an 'e' in it. I guess that sort of qualified me for the office of vice president of the United States."

John joins some of his friends every morning for coffee in a drug store near his office. The room where they meet has a barber chair in it and the one who tells the best joke or story gets to sit in the chair. John sits there frequently.

"Those morning meetings are very educational."

He got a call from a telephone marketer the other day wanting to know if John was a small business man. He told them no, he weighed 270 pounds. John makes a living as a free-lance court reporter.

"It's a very interesting profession. You learn lots of things and really get a broad-based education about life, I think. I was looking at some records the other day and found out I had reported 7,000 hearings in 16 years as the official district court reporter. Some of them were very short, like a name change that takes five minutes. I reported over 3,200 divorce cases. I sort of got to be an authority on the subject. I figured out what causes divorce. It's marriage."

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Tumbleweed Smith is a Big Spring storyteller and folklorist.

Two dead, one seriously injured after explosion in natural gas storage facility

LONGVIEW (AP) — A series of explosions at a natural gas storage facility between Longview and Kilgore on Sunday seriously injured one person and may have killed two others, authorities said.

Billy Davis, 57, of Karnack was taken to Laird Memorial Hospital in Kilgore at about 1 p.m. with second and third degree burns, said hospital spokesman Archie Whitfield.

Davis, an employee at the Martin Resource Management Corp. gas plant, was later taken to Parkland Health & Hospital System in Dallas by ambulance because low visibility prohibited his transfer by air, Whitfield said. Davis apparently had his back to the explosion when it occurred.

There were reports that two others were killed in the accident, but Gregg County Sheriff Bobby Weaver was unable to confirm them.

He said about 200 residents living within a three-mile radius of the blast were evacuated for fear a butane tank holding 30,000 gallons of fuel might explode.

Firefighters monitoring the resulting blaze said they planned to let the fire burn itself out.

A stretch of nearby Interstate 20, which runs between Kilgore and Longview, was closed and traffic was being diverted around the blast scene.

Air Force agrees to clean up polluted aquifer

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Amid suspicions of illnesses, dwindling property values and a pending lawsuit stemming from a contaminated aquifer running under Kelly Air Force Base and some 20,000 adjacent homes and businesses, the Air Force has agreed to clean the underwater source to drinking water standards.

Air Force officials plan to submit a cleanup plan to state regulators detailing up to five cleanup alternatives and recommending one, said Adam Antoine, director of environmental programs at Kelly for the Air Force Base Conversion Agency.

Kelly officials also have scheduled a Nov. 1 meeting to get public comment on the cleanup options, which include pump-and-treat wells throughout the contaminated area and monitored natural attenuation. Using natural attenuation, the Air Force would continue to capture pollutants on base, but let the polluted groundwater already off base degrade naturally over 30 years.

Mayor Howard Peak said the contamination is an issue affecting the entire city.

"First of all, we have the health and safety of many citizens, current and future, in the balance," Peak is quoted as saying in Sunday editions of the San Antonio Express-News. "Then we have the success of our redevelopment efforts at Kelly that could be influenced as well."

Residents have long been pointing to the air base as the source of atypically high rates of illnesses, including birth defects, low birth-weight babies, leukemia and liver, lung and kidney cancer, the newspaper said.

Recently, the Air Force began an investigation into whether 16 cases of Lou Gehrig's disease, including five deaths, are linked to environmental contaminants at Kelly.

The clean up is one of the many environmental and health projects that will need to be determined before Kelly Air Force Base closes in nine months.

Using a $180,000 grant from the federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, the city's health department plans to launch a project to monitor the health of residents in the areas around the air base. Dr. Fernando Guerra, director of the Metropolitan Health District, said the project will include getting health questionnaires from individuals and drawing blood samples to determine if residents have been exposed to toxins.

The registry agency, meanwhile, is expected to release the second phase of a public health assessment of the air base. The first phase found no connections between residents' health and pollution at the air base.

The studies could also determine what happens to the deeds of the 200,000 property owners affected by the aquifer. The properties could be labeled as contaminated or the city council could opt to pass an ordinance banning use of the aquifer.

If the properties are deemed contaminated, "people have to be reimbursed, because that's not right," said U.S. Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, D-San Antonio.

Attorneys for property owners say they are gathering documents from the Air Force and talking with residents for a pending lawsuit against the Air Force. So far 72 residents have joined the suit seeking damages for 17,000 homeowners, said Jerry Galow, an Austin attorney representing the group.

Alternative income seminar to be held

Staff Reports

The "Alternative Income for Landowners" seminar, cosponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX) and Midland College, will be held from 9 a.m. to mid-afternoon Tuesday at the Wagon Wheel Ranch, according to TAEX Agent Pascual Hernandez of Monahans.

The Wagon Wheel Ranch is south of Midland near the intersection of Texas Highway 349 and Farm-to-Market Road 2401.

Seminar topics and their starting times include "Nature Tourism," focusing on activities such as mountain bicycling, photography, bird-watching, and otherwise experiencing nature, 9:30 a.m.; "Outlook for Wildlife and Outdoor Enterprises," emphasizing the future of hunting and marketing, 10:15 a.m.; "Hunting Experience," on marketing the sport, 11:10 a.m.; "Wildlife Viewing," on hosting people whose interests include photography and nature-watching, noon; "Dove and Quail Hunting," on seasonal hunting, 12:30 p.m.; "Trail Riding," the horse-back experience, 1:45 p.m.; and "Liability and Insurance Needs for Tourists, Naturalists and Landowners," 2:15 p.m. A 2:45 p.m. panel discussion will wrap up the event.

Program coordinators include TAEX's Pascual Hernandez of Ward County; TAEX Agent Thomas Dominguez of Crane County; TAEX Agent Steve Sturtz of Glasscock County, and F. Cleo Savage of Midland College and who is the Wagon Wheel Ranch manager.

Information on the seminar may be obtained by telephoning the Crane County TAEX Office at 915-558-3522 or the Wagon Wheel Ranch at 915-535-2422.

POLICE REPORTS

Drug arrest

The Midland County Sheriff's Office has reported that Frederico Vijar, 54, was arrested at 6:45 p.m. Friday in the 1000 block of Mineola Street on charges of manufacturing and/or delivering over one gram, but less than four grams of cocaine.

Mark Greenhaw, of the Trans-Pecos Drug Task Force, said the task force and Midland County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant for two arrests.

"Through the power of undercover work, we stopped major distribution center, at least for awhile," Greenhaw said.

He also said at the time of the bust the house was occupied by two juveniles, three adults and two infants.

"We had intelligence that high school kids had been in the house, presumably buying, so we used kid gloves in this bust. We want to take the narcotics off of the street, but we don't want to endanger innocent people unnecessarily," Greenhaw said.

A second suspect remains at large.

Newspaper finds 18 cases of restraint deaths over past decade

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Over the past decade there have been at least 18 patient deaths at Texas treatment centers and group homes for the mentally retarded and mentally ill that occurred within 24 hours of restraint, according to the San Antonio Express-News.

A report on how Leroy Fontenot, a 43-year-old patient at Vernon State Hospital, died in Dec. 18, 1994 listed his cause of death as "Sudden Death".

Through Open Records requests, the newspaper obtained records from the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

The newspaper then reviewed autopsies, law enforcement reports and other information to piece together a fuller account of who died and how.

The records examined by the Express-News showed that:

- Nine of those who died were under the age of 18.
- Two of the deaths resulted in criminal charges against workers.
- Some families were misled and not told their loved ones died during or soon after they were restrained by caregivers.

A report on how Leroy Fontenot, a 43-year-old patient at Vernon State Hospital, died in Dec. 18, 1994 listed his cause of death as "Sudden Death."

Documents show Fontenot was restrained in a straitjacket when he attacked a staffer after being drugged. Three workers put him in the restraining device with his ankles cuffed with leather. Some time later when he was to be released, he was found dead.

A pathologist ruled that Fontenot died from a toxic level of imipramine, an antidepressant, in his blood. The pathologist wrote that he died from the combined effects of the high level of imipramine and the use of the straitjacket, which restricted normal breathing and blood flow.

"We were told he died in his sleep," Fontenot's brother, Wilson Fontenot, said in an interview with the Express-News.

Many of the deaths were of a similarly violent nature, where mental-health workers wrestled patients into submission, pressed them face to the floor, squeezed the air from their lungs and injected them with powerful tranquilizers, the newspaper reported.

In some cases, the workers made irrevocable mistakes. In other cases, state investigators concluded that workers broke no rules.

"This can be a perilous job. You're putting yourself in a position where you're likely to be attacked," said Anthony Claxton, medical director at Terrell State Hospital, where a 51-year-old man died in December.

Terrell State Hospital reported 276 injuries to patients over a recent nine-month period, while employees reported 401 injuries.

Nationally, the precise number of restraint-related deaths each year is unknown.

As in most states, Texas has no uniform requirement to report patients who died while being restrained. There is no single set of rules or standard training procedures guiding mental-health workers who use restraints.

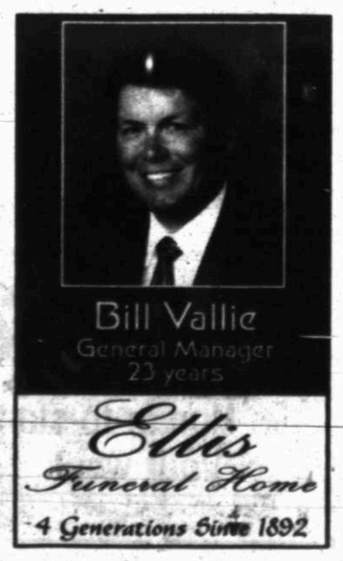
And the regulations that do exist are fragmented among a collection of state, federal and accreditation agencies. No comprehensive system tracks the number of patients who are injured or die from restraints.

State regulatory agencies disclose little if any information about the circumstances surrounding deaths in which the victims had been physically restrained.

A 1998 survey by The Hartford Courant found 142 deaths across the country in a 10-year period. Based on that report, Harvard's Center for Risk Analysis estimated that between 50 and 150 people die annually because of psychiatric restraints.

New rules on restraint use by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, which went into effect Sept. 1, were modeled after stricter rules by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

"We're trying to change the thinking," said Kenny Dudley, director of state mental health facilities at MHMR. "We're informing staff that it's OK to walk away or stand back if someone is angry or whatever, instead of trying to intercede. Just walk back, let it happen."



Scientists unite to fight global fungus behind Irish Potato Famine

TOLUCA, Mexico (AP) — The fungus that caused the Irish Potato Famine is back.

The disease that shrivels potato crops has developed into more aggressive strains that are spreading around the globe. Now scientists on two continents are fighting back by homing in on where the fungus apparently started.

Ground zero is Toluca, an industrial town just outside Mexico City tucked into the lush mountain valleys surrounding the nation's capital. Scientists are growing five acres of potatoes of every variety imaginable, trying to develop ones resistant to the fungus behind the Irish famine, which killed 1 million people and forced a mass migration to the United States in the mid-1800s.

Tighter global ties have helped the fungus strengthen its hold, aided by the spread of disease in goods shipped to far-flung markets.

The fungus attacks the short, leafy potato plant and sometimes the tubers themselves, devastating one of the world's most important food staples. It can even appear after harvest in warehouses.

Toluca is believed where the disease began, and it is still considered one of the toughest places to grow potatoes because the fungus — called potato late blight — thrives in the region's cool, wet climate.

The same mountain climate is also perfect for growing potatoes, which is exactly what U.S. scientist John Niederhauser tried to do when he arrived nearly half a century ago to help boost Mexico's crop. Yet he confirmed what local residents said was true: potato plants mysteriously died here, prompting him to work to find ways to fight late blight.

Niederhauser, who won the World Food Prize in 1990 for his work, helped Mexico increase its potato production sixfold from 1950 to 1980 by developing resistant varieties. During the same period, per capita consumption of potatoes more than tripled.

Today, resistant varieties make up 30 percent of Mexico's 185,300 potato acres.

The fungus still naturally flourishes in the country's mountain valleys, making it the perfect place to test new varieties. Scientists don't even have to infect the plants: If a potato plant can grow here, it can grow anywhere.

Two programs — one based in Mexico, the other at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.,— are working to develop resistant potatoes. Under the partnership, scientists from Russia, Poland and the United States breed new potato varieties and send them to Mexico to be tested.

Each day scientists check the test plants, walking through the rows and noting whether they are thriving or giving into the fungus, shriveling up as if they had been burned.

Although some resistant varieties have been developed by breeding wild species that naturally defend against the fungus with conventional potatoes, all have major problems that prevent them from being widely used. Some aren't right for making potato chips or french fries, while others need too much water or take too long to mature.

Scientists believe a resistant variety that will be widely popular with farmers and consumers may be up to 10 years away.

Until then, larger growers are spraying more and more fungicide to try to control the problem.

One or two applications of the fungicide metalaxyl each growing season used to protect crops all over the world. "It basically solved the late blight problem," said Phil Nolte, a plant pathologist at the University of Idaho.

With the creation of metalaxyl two decades ago, scientists focused less on developing potato varieties resistant to late blight, Nolte said. But in the past decade, scientists began noticing a more aggressive strain that isn't halted by metalaxyl.

To keep the disease from devastating a field, farmers must spray fungicide repeatedly — up to 12 times each season in the United States, which can add $200 an acre to production costs.

The new strain has spread to almost every corner of the globe. The fungus travels by air and can destroy a field in days.

It showed up in the United States in 1992 in New York and Maine, reaching as far west as Idaho by 1997. The strain, likely among many that have always thrived in Mexico, also can be found in Europe and Asia — particularly Russia — and Africa.

The need to spray more and more fungicide is making potato farming around the world less profitable, and it is harder on the environment.

"It's right on the edge of putting farmers right out of the business," said John Helgeson, a plant researcher in Madison, Wis., for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The disease appears to be a bigger threat in developing countries, where small farmers dominate and money for combating it is tight, said Hector Lozoya, technical director of Mexico's program.

The fungus is particularly devastating in Russia, where many people grow potatoes in small garden plots and can't afford to spray fungicide.

"Potatoes are a sustaining food crop, the second bread for many parts of Russia," said W. Ronnie Coffman, chairman of the Cornell University-based program. "A severe late blight problem could harm millions of people and possibly destabilize the region."

On the Net:
Background on Niederhauser:
http://www.wfpf.org/laureates/previous/1990/1990.htm

Opposition party will not accept results in Tabasco

VILLAHERMOSA, Mexico (AP) — Members of an opposition party held a peaceful march Sunday, saying they wouldn't accept the results of the state electoral institute in the disputed race for governor of the oil-rich, Gulf state of Tabasco.

The march came hours before state election officials were expected to announce official results — and the winner of the gubernatorial race. Preliminary results from the election a week ago found ruling party candidate, Manuel Andrade, leading slightly with 44 percent to 43 percent for opposition candidate Raul Ojeda of Democratic Revolution.

Election officials said the results were too close to declare a winner.

The election is an important test for Mexico's ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, which recently lost its first presidential loss since its creation in 1929. Vicente Fox of the National Action Party will be sworn in on Dec. 1.

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Eyeing Taiwan, Balkans, China prepares scenarios for war with U.S.

BEIJING (AP) — In word and deed — namely its biggest military show in 35 years — China has made clear that it views the United States as potential enemy No.1.

Besides blowing up targets, test-firing missiles and driving tanks, the military displays at four land and sea sites in northern China in the middle of this month proved new capabilities to attack stealth warplanes and cruise missiles, state media reported.

Meanwhile, a Chinese defense policy paper issued last Monday once again raised threats of force against Taiwan and pointed to the United States as chief troublemaker.

Should Beijing's communist leaders order the People's Liberation Army to recover the island that split from China 51 years ago, Chinese generals are planning against expected U.S. military intervention.

"Do they prepare against the United States? My answer is very clear: yes," said Yan Xuetong, an expert in international security at Beijing's prestigious Tsinghua University.

Yan believes war with Taiwan is inevitable. Others are less pessimistic. In a report Thursday, the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies said China is preoccupied this year with domestic issues, among them preparing to enter the World Trade Organization. It forecast only "a remote possibility" of confrontation over Taiwan.

Moreover, China-U.S. relations have improved this year and their militaries have expanded contact through reciprocal ship visits and trips by Chinese officers to the United States.

Beijing itself says it wants to peacefully recover Taiwan through negotiations — a goal repeated in the defense policy paper.

But talks are stalemated, and the paper said the situation "is complicated and grim." It reiterated that China would "adopt all drastic measures possible, including the use of force" if Taiwan formally splits from China or continues indefinitely to refuse to negotiate unification.

China's generals have to assume an attack on democratic, capitalist Taiwan might provoke an American military response. That is why they are preparing for the worst.

Chines fears were sharpened by NATO's air war on Yugoslavia last year to protect ethnic Albanians in Kosovo. Beijing saw unsettling parallels with its own restive minority regions, like Tibet, and felt NATO's intervention on human rights grounds set a dangerous precedent for meddling over Taiwan.

The scenario seems highly dubious right now. Unlike Yugoslavia, such a conflict could at worst go nuclear, and even if it didn't, it could wipe out U.S.-China trade worth nearly $95 billion last year, according to U.S. figures, and trigger global economic catastrophe.

Still, Chinese suspicions have been heightened by Washington's efforts to develop anti-missile shields, by congressional attempts to expand military ties with Taiwan, and by continued U.S. arms sales to the island. Yan said the Pentagon was moving more submarines to the Pacific and stockpiling cruise missiles on the Pacific island of Guam.

What should China's leaders conclude from that? "That the U.S. military has prepared for war against China," Yan insisted.

The Chinese defense paper was peppered with criticisms of the United States, among them that U.S. support has emboldened Taiwan's anti-China camp.

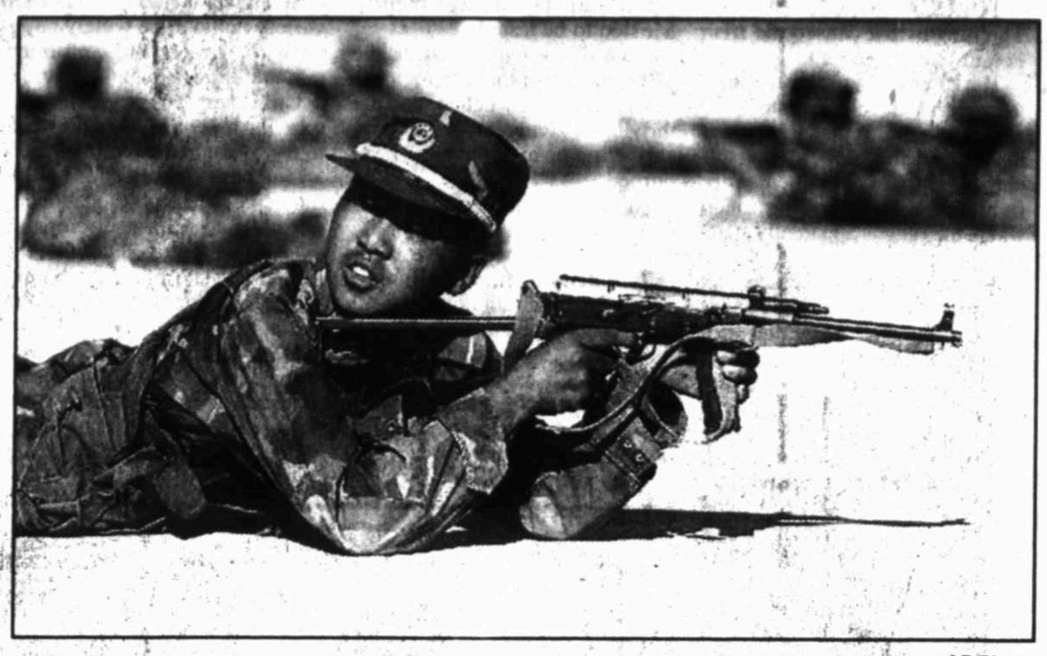
With prospects for a peaceful unification of Taiwan and China "seriously imperiled" and because of "hegemonism and power politics" — Beijing's code words for U.S. meddling — "China will have to enhance its capability to defend its sovereignty and security by military means," said the paper.

But it also sought to allay foreign concerns by saying the military buildup was "purely for self-defense," and that this year's defense budget of $14.6 billion is just 5 percent of Washington's. Overseas analysts, however, believe China spends up to five times more than it says it does.

The Gulf War shocked Beijing by exposing its technological inferiority. It has since focused attention on the importance of air power in modern wars. Military experts say Chinese generals have studied how Yugoslav forces hid equipment from NATO attacks, have installed Russian-made surface-to-air missiles on the coast opposite Taiwan, and have improved air defenses around big cities.

But analysts say the Chinese military would be hard-pressed to take Taiwan, and lags far behind the United States.

"The gap is enormous. They're just not in the same league," said Robert Karniol, Asia-Pacific editor for Jane's Defense Weekly.



AP Photo

An armed Chinese police officer practices defense drills along the Alashanko Pass in the western Chinese province of Xinjiang in August. In its biggest military show in 35 years and a new defense policy paper, Beijing has made clear that it views the United States as China's potential enemy No.1

Yemeni authorities focus on fake ID thought to have been issued to bomber

ADEN, Yemen (AP) — Yemeni authorities were questioning officials from a civil registration department, trying to find out about a fake identification card apparently issued to a suicide bomber who blew a hole in the side of a U.S. warship, Yemeni sources close to the investigation said Sunday.

One bomber was believed to have used a fake ID card indicating he was Abdullah Ahmed Khaled al-Musawah, a resident of Lahej, 22 miles north of Aden, the sources said, insisting on anonymity. Authorities believe more fake cards were issued by the civil registration office in Lahej, the sources said without elaborating.

Officials of the civil registration office suspected of involvement in issuing the fake identification cards were among more than 60 people being held for questioning by Yemeni authorities, the sources said.

All papers submitted by the applicant for the identification card that was issued in the name of al-Musawah were missing from the registration office, they said.

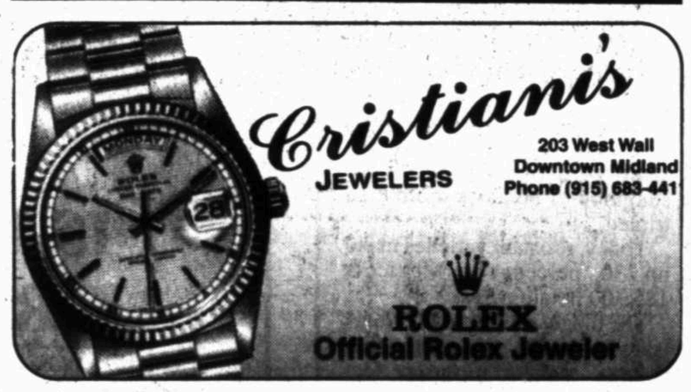
The sources did not say when the attackers entered Yemen or where they came from, but said the fake cards were issued July 14, 1997, when the attackers were believed to be outside the country. People interviewed about the suspected bombers said their Arabic was of a Gulf dialect.

Authorities have been searching houses and other locations believed to have been used by the attackers; two unidentified people had been staying in at least one of the houses and have not been seen since the Oct. 12 explosion, which killed 17 sailors aboard the USS Cole and injured 39 others.

Meanwhile, the sources said three more houses in suburbs near the port were believed linked to the bombings, and investigators were searching them for clues. Authorities earlier had linked the suspects to at least one other house in Aden.

A senior U.S. government official in Aden said a great deal of physical evidence had been moved from various locations under investigation. The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said U.S. labs can perform some tests on the evidence that, because of technical limitations, Yemen cannot carry out.

The senior official would not say what sort of evidence had been found or whether some already had been sent to the United States.



Yugoslavian president meets with Bosnian leaders

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP)— Yugoslavia's new president averted a diplomatic debacle Sunday by meeting Bosnia's political leaders, defusing anger over his decision to use his first trip to the country to attend a ceremony that some said had ethnic overtones.

Vojislav Kostunica's visit was the first a Yugoslav leader has paid to Bosnia, a former Yugoslav republic, since the 3 1/2-year war here ended half a decade ago. He spent part of the day in the small southern Bosnian town of Trebinje before flying off to Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital, for the meeting.

Kostunica's stop in Trebinje seemed simple enough: He was in town to attend a reburial service for a prominent Serb poet. But in Bosnia — which fought to separate itself from Serb-dominated Yugoslavia in 1991 and was subsequently ripped apart by ethnic warfare between Serbs, Croats and Muslims — the visit caused an uproar.

The Croat and Muslim members of Bosnia's three-person multiethnic presidency considered it an insult that the new Yugoslav leader, who is a Serb, would choose an event with nationalistic Serb overtones for his first visit. Even though Kostunica attended the reburial privately, the Bosnian government believed it signaled that he had not fully accepted the country's independence.

Compounding the problem, Kostunica's visit fell just three weeks before national elections in Bosnia. The timing alarmed the international officials who run Bosnia under the 1995 Dayton peace accord: Some fear that extremists may use the vote to promote Serb nationalism.

Looking to head off an incident, the international officials hastily convened a meeting between Kostunica and the members of the multiethnic presidency. Bosnia's top international official, Wolfgang Petritsch, persuaded Kostunica to take part in the symbolic 30-minute meeting, and U.N. officials dispatched a helicopter to fly him from Trebinje to Sarajevo for the talks.

In an indication of the haste with which the session was convened, the leaders met in an airport VIP lounge and the Bosnian Croat member of the presidency, Ante Jelavic, did not attend because U.N. officials weren't able to find him on such short notice. Jelavic was represented by his adviser for foreign relations, Drazenko Primorac.

Afterward, Kostunica put a positive spin on the meeting, describing it as a first step toward the establishment of diplomatic relations between Yugoslavia and Bosnia.

"I thought this event would happen later and in another place," Kostunica said. "But it's good. New pages in the relations between Bosnia and Yugoslavia have been opened."

International officials working here described the trip to Sarajevo as a victory under the circumstances.

"Anything that helps restoring normal relations between the two countries is in everybody's interest," said Doug Coffman, the U.N. spokesman in Bosnia.

During his comments to reporters, Kostunica seemed to open the door for closer cooperation with the U.N. war crimes tribunal at The Hague, Netherlands. But he stopped short of committing himself to arresting key figures under indictment and hinted that the full truth about ethnic atrocities had not yet come to light.

"The truth is not one-sided, especially when we talk about interethnic relations," he said. Serbs have long complained that The Hague ignored atrocities committed against them by Croats, Bosnian Muslims and Kosovo Albanians.

Kostunica had intended his visit to the reburial ceremony of Jovan Ducic to be private — a reflection of his devotion to the author's staunch anti-communist principles and literary grandeur. He declined an invitation to speak at the ceremony, but he was greeted with full military honors when he arrived in Trebinje.

Ducic's remains were brought to the town 80 miles from Sarajevo by a delegation of teen-age girls in traditional Serb folk dress. The girls had traveled from Yugoslavia's tiny republic of Montenegro to the Serb half of Bosnia without being stopped at the border — a symbolic act organizers said showed there were no longer any divisions between the two entities.

The reburial featured Bosnian Serb politicians of all kinds, even those who don't normally speak to each other. The wife of wartime Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic offered prayers beside Serb intellectuals from Belgrade and dozens of Orthodox church clergy in gleaming gold and white vestments.

Ducic, whose elegant verse is still widely read, is revered by Serbs for celebrating their national heritage. He moved to the United States when World War II broke out and died in 1943.

Ducic was originally buried near Chicago, but he had expressed a wish to be reburied in a church in his hometown. The church — a replica of the 14th century Gracanica monastery in Kosovo — was completed this year, making the long-awaited reburial possible.

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Canadian prime minister calls for early election

TORONTO (AP) — Prime Minister Jean Chretien on Sunday set a national election for Nov. 27, gambling that a big budget surplus and the emotional outpouring over Pierre Trudeau's death will help bring him a third-straight term.

Chretien, 66, had until mid-2002 to hold the vote. His governing Liberal Party opted to call the election only 3 1/2 years into its term to take advantage of an economic boom and strong poll ratings.

"The election campaign begins officially at this moment," Chretien said under sunny skies in Ottawa after asking Governor General Adrienne Clarkson to dissolve Parliament so the election could be held.

The Liberal Party decision to go to the polls relatively early could backfire, however. Canadian voters in the past have punished political leaders who called early elections to try to capitalize on a strong standing.

"Mr. Chretien takes Canadians for fools," said Peter White, the campaign chairman for the opposition Canadian Alliance.

Former prime minister Joe Clark, the Conservative Party leader, called Chretien arrogant for "walking away" in the middle of his term.

"He was elected in 1997 with a full mandate. He has abandoned his work and his responsibility," Clark said Sunday in Digby, Nova Scotia.

Lawrence LeDuc, a political science professor at the University of Toronto, said Chretien must answer questions about the timing of the vote.

"The word gamble is going to be used a lot to describe this Liberal decision," LeDuc said.

In announcing the vote, Chretien said there were "valid reasons" to call an election now.

"For the first time, we have huge budget surpluses," he noted in reference to several billion dollars in spending available to his government. "Before we go out and spend them, we will have to ask people what we want to do with them."

The Liberal Party holds 161 seats in the 301-member House of Commons. It won 155 seats in the 1997 vote, and has picked up six more in by-elections since then.

Under Canada's electoral system, the party with the most seats in the House of Commons forms the government. If it has fewer than 50 percent of the seats, it must find coalition partners to control a majority of the chamber.

The Liberals' strongest challenge was expected from the newly formed Canadian Alliance, which is trying to bring together the various conservative political parties into a bloc capable of toppling Chretien's Liberals. The Alliance, which has 58 seats in the House of Commons, is led by Stockwell Day, a former preacher who was treasurer in the Alberta provincial government.

Consistently the strongest party in recent polls, the Liberals are considered likely to head the next government. Whether they will win a third straight majority government is less certain.

In 1997, it won all but two of the 103 seats in Ontario, the most populous province. The Alliance has said it believes it can win at least 20 seats in Ontario this time, which would prevent the Liberals from winning a majority and force a coalition government.

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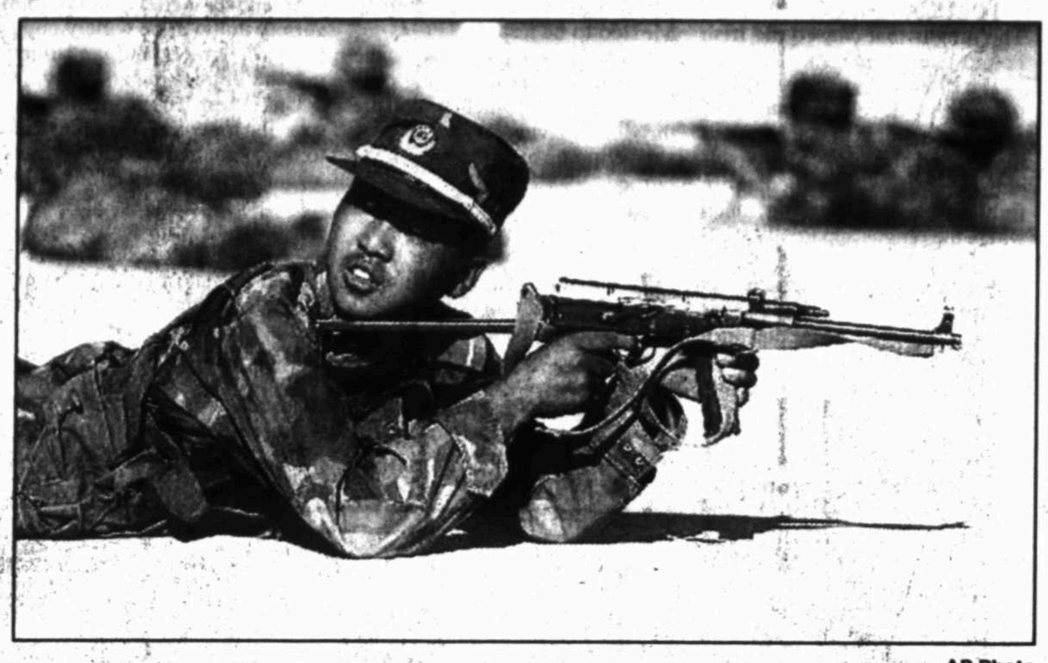
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This week, Chretien announced plans for spending some of the budget surplus, pledging $335 million to help upgrade Toronto's waterfront as a part of a bid to host the 2008 Olympics. The government also announced planned tax cuts totaling $67 billion over the next five years.

Sunday's announcement came less than three weeks after the funeral in Montreal of Trudeau, a Liberal Party prime minister who held office for most of the period between 1968 and 1984. Trudeau, considered the most influential leader in Canadian history, was Chretien's political mentor.



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Barak calls peace 'time-out'; Arafat tells him to 'go to hell'

JERUSALEM (AP) — Ehud Barak called for a peace "time-out" and Yasser Arafat told him to "go to hell." The Israeli and Palestinian leaders seemed further than ever Sunday from the peace their U.S. and Egyptian sponsors have tried so hard to salvage.

The violence in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip showed no signs of abating, and the cease-fire called during last week's peace summit was little more than a memory.

In the fiercest fighting in the Jerusalem environs since clashes broke out on Sept. 28, Israeli helicopter gunships rocketed the Palestinian-held village of Beit Jalla. Some Palestinian homes were leveled. Electricity and phone lines were down, and Palestinians said the power plant had been hit.

The three hours of fighting started when Palestinian gunmen in Beit Jalla and in Bethlehem opened fire on residential apartment buildings in Gilo, a suburb of Jerusalem, and Israeli police returned tank, machine-gun and helicopter rocket fire.

The army said it warned residents of targeted areas in Beit Jalla to evacuate before it launched its counterattack. Gilo residents gathered in the streets to watch and cheered each hit.

Next to a church in the largely Christian village, the gate to the Dabdoub family home was damaged.

Inside, 10-year-old Dalia shuddered beneath the folds of a blanket, huddling next to her mother. Abdullah Dabdoub said he was considering taking his wife and daughters and leaving the region.

"They could cut off our electricity, they could cut off our water, they could starve us to death," he said.

Bullets entered some homes in Gilo. Families with small children fled to homes of neighbors with apartments facing away from the Palestinian-controlled areas.

Toting his two-year old daughter beneath his arms, Yair Peretz tracked a bullet's trajectory for a TV crew. "It came in here, whizzed over her head here on the couch, where she was sitting," he said, referring to the girl, "and came out here."

Elsewhere, four Palestinians died in clashes, including two teen-age Palestinians in the Gaza Strip, and two Palestinian men near the West Bank town of Hebron. Stone-throwing clashes were reported in several chronic trouble spots in Gaza and the West Bank. That left a total of 121 dead — the vast majority Palestinian — in more than three weeks of violence.

"We need to have a time-out ... to reassess the peace process in light of the events of the last few weeks," Barak told his weekly Cabinet meeting Sunday.

"One would have to be blind to security and political needs to continue as if nothing has changed," he said.

A statement issued by Barak's office did not say how long the "time-out" would last. Israeli negotiators would refuse to meet with their Palestinian counterparts until the time-out was lifted.

Arafat, speaking after returning Sunday from a two-day Arab summit in Cairo, said the Palestinian state would come — with or without the peace process, or Barak's approval.

"My response (to the time-out) is, our people is continuing their road to Jerusalem, the capital of the Palestinian state," he said. Whether Barak accepts that or not, Arafat said — in English — "Let him go to hell."

The intensification of the rhetoric came despite efforts by Egypt and the United States — the principal sponsors of Israel and the Palestinians, respectively — to salvage the peace process.

Egypt and the United States convened the summit last week at the Egyptian resort of Sharm el-Sheikh that ended with a cease-fire declaration. The Americans said they would continue to work toward bringing the sides together.

President Clinton was trying to reach Barak, said a White House spokesman traveling with him in New York. Clinton is still focused on getting the parties to stick to the Sharm el-Sheikh agreement "to get us past the immediate violence," spokesman Elliot Diringer said.

Egypt, meanwhile, headed off an Arab summit declaration that would mandate breaking off ties with Israel, effectively declaring the peace process dead.

Arab nations "hold Israel responsible for any steps taken in regard to relations with Israel by Arab countries, including their cancellation," said the final declaration of the Cairo summit.

That fell short of efforts by radicals for a clear-cut call for ending ties with Israel — and left intact Egypt's moderating role in the region.

Barak thanked the Egyptians for moderating the summit but rejected the overall tone of the gathering.

"Israel rejects, truly categorically, the language of threats which emanated from the summit and condemns the call, implicit in the resolutions, for continuation of the violence," he told reporters.

Barak has indicated that if the peace process fails, he would take unilateral steps to separate Israelis from the Palestinians by building a border between Israeli-held portions of the West Bank and those areas controlled by Palestinians.

The Palestinians say that shows bad will.

"We got his message and in spite of the balanced, peaceful method of the Arab summit, he sent a message of war — unilateral solutions," said Arafat's information minister, Yasser Abed Rabbo.

The United States, Israel's main backer, warned against unilateral acts.

"Israelis and Palestinians are bound, even condemned, to live together, side by side," said U.S. Ambassador Martin Indyk.

Israeli officials said any peace breakdown was Arafat's fault for not adhering to the latest cease-fire.

"We returned home; the violence only increased," Gilead Sher, Barak's chief of staff, told The Associated Press. "We found ourselves faced with a Palestinian Authority that does not want, or is not able, or both, to take control of the mob."

Barak accelerated efforts to bring the hard-line opposition leader Ariel Sharon into his teetering government before parliament reconvenes next week — an alliance that would likely chill for months efforts at reviving the peace process. It was Sharon's Sept. 28 visit to a Jerusalem shrine holy to Muslims and Jews that sparked the violence.



AP Photo

Following the funeral of 14-year-old Majid al-Hawamdeh, killed in clashes with Israeli soldiers in the West Bank town of Ramallah Saturday, Palestinians engage Israeli troops on the outskirt of Ramallah Sunday. Live fire was shot from both sides. Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak told his cabinet Sunday that Israel needed a "timeout" to reassess the tattered peace process, a move that would put on hold years of negotiations with the Palestinians.

Weather deteriorates at site of Kursk's sinking

MURMANSK, Russia (AP) — With the seas around them increasingly rough, Russian and Norwegian divers on Sunday pierced the inner hull of the sunken Kursk nuclear submarine in a laborious, precarious bid to recover the bodies of 118 sailors inside.

Winds above the Arctic site mounted throughout the day and were expected to pick up overnight, threatening to curtail the operation.

Working nonstop in teams since Friday, the divers carved into the outer hull Saturday, the first step in the planned recovery operation. The divers hope to cut seven holes through both hulls of the submarine to retrieve bodies or body parts from their tomb in the Barents Sea.

After some struggle overnight, the divers sliced through the sturdy rubber layer between the hulls, said Capt. Vladimir Navrotsky, chief spokesman for the Russian Navy's northern fleet.

Later Sunday, they cut a four-inch hole in the steel of the inner hull leading to compartment No. 8, in the rear of the submarine, Navrotsky said. Throughout the day they gradually enlarged the hole a few millimeters at a time.

Russian navy spokesman Vadim Serga said cutting into the two-inch inner hull could be completed by Tuesday.

The divers also were dismantling and removing pipes, wires and other equipment in the six-foot space between the hulls that could tear diving suits.

The operation was focused outside the submarine's rear end, less damaged than the front, which suffered explosions and hit the sea floor first in the Aug. 12 accident.

Top Russian military officials have warned that safety concerns — including fears about the Kursk's two nuclear reactors, and threats to divers from jagged metal debris inside the wreck — might force the Navy to call off the complex underwater work 330 feet below the surface.

Radiation levels at the site, monitored by Norwegian experts, were reported normal Sunday.

Navrotsky said the weather was steadily getting worse, but that the divers would continue working unless the winds reached light gale force.

Russian officials have not determined what caused the accident that destroyed the Kursk during naval exercises in which all 118 seamen on board died. Possible causes include an internal malfunction or a collision with a Western submarine or World War II-era mine.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Hurley says she and Grant talk daily, see one another often

NEW YORK — **Elizabeth Hurley**, who had a well-publicized breakup with **Hugh Grant**, says she and her ex are on good terms and may act together for the first time.

"When we were together as a couple, we never did. Now that we're not together, we actually have a great idea for something," Ms. Hurley, who stars in the new comedy "Bedazzled," said in Sunday's Daily News.

Ms. Hurley broke up with the actor in May after 13 years together, but says the two are still very much in touch.

"We talk at least twice a day," Ms. Hurley said, "and if we're in the same city, we're together constantly. Our offices are next-door to each other at work. I think it's great even though we're not together anymore, we can still be great mates. I'd hate not to have Hugh in my life."



Even though they broke up in May, Elizabeth Hurley said she and Hugh Grant talk daily and see one another often.

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NEW YORK — **Larry David,** the creator of "Seinfeld," says he owes much of his success to Brooklyn.

David, who stars in a new HBO series called "Curb Your Enthusiasm," said he learned to be funny in the New York borough by "screaming in my house and screaming next door.

"All the doors open and all the neighbors smelling and the smell of food in the halls. Everybody knowing your business. The lack of privacy and just that whole environment, the whole apartment life in Brooklyn."

On "Curb Your Enthusiasm," comedian **Richard Lewis** plays David's best friend, even though they yell at each other constantly. David said the depiction is true to life.

"I don't think you have seen a relationship like that in television where people scream at each other. It's good; it means you are comfortable with them," he said.

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DES MOINES, Iowa — The mother of the first set of surviving septuplets says life with seven toddlers can be frustrating.

But **Bobbi McCaughey** says those moments are offset by the times when the children will be playing together and break into a chorus of "Jesus Loves Me."

"I think it is times like those that keep you from killing your kids," Mrs. McCaughey said Saturday.

Mrs. McCaughey spoke to more than 12,000 women at the "Extravagant Grace 2000" conference, part of a nationwide tour by Women of Faith, a non-denominational Texas-based organization.

Since the birth of the septuplets on Nov. 19, 1997, Mrs. McCaughey and her husband, **Kenny,** have used their newfound celebrity to share their religious beliefs. Mrs. McCaughey has written a book, "Celebrating the Wonder of Motherhood," released earlier this year.

The McCaughey family, which also includes 4-year-old Mikayla, lives in Carlisle, about 10 miles south of Des Moines.

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RADNOR, Pa.— "Ally McBeal" star **Lucy Liu** wants to put to rest the rumors that she tangled with **Bill Murray** during the filming of the movie version of "Charlie's Angels."

Ms. Liu, 31, said she and the comedian had some creative differences about one scene, but their disagreement never became physical.

"The rumors started going crazy that I swung at him. This guy is like 6-foot-2. I wasn't going to pull out kung fu on him," Ms. Liu says in the Oct. 28 issue of TV Guide.

She said she and Murray were on good terms after making the film, in which she co-stars with **Cameron Diaz** and **Drew Barrymore**.

"When I saw the movie, I called him up and left him a message and told him how wonderful he was," Ms. Liu said.

The film is scheduled to be released in November.

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TV TONIGHT

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(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Cosby ∩ E 26859	Spin City ∩ E 40439	Boston Public "Chapter One" 'PG' E 30149		Ally McBeal (Season Premiere) (N) ∩ E 49897		Mad About You 91762	Nanny ∩ E 26033	Jerry Springer '14' E 22120		Blind Date 61697	Suddenly 95174
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(10) WGN		10		Fresh Pr. 666507	Suddenly 657859	Another 48 HRS. (R, '90) ★★½ Eddie Murphy, Nick Nolte, Brion James. ∩ E 554471				News ∩ E 194965		Suddenly 811120	In the Heat of the Night "Brotherly Love" 291762	Matlock 569675	
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Pr. 8497304	Fresh Pr. 6796878	Big Jake (:05) (GP, '71) ★★½ John Wayne, Richard Boone, Maureen O'Hara. 19917385				McLintock! (:10) ('63) ★★★ John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara, Stefanie Powers. A cattle baron meets his match in a strong-willed woman. 57812762					
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(20) DISC		20	26	Wild Discovery: Otters 829656		On the Inside "Inside Avalanches" (N) 548205		Cosmetic Surgery: The Cutting Edge '14' 548025		Prosecutors: In Pursuit of Justice (N) 148269		Justice Files 998746		On the Inside "Inside Avalanches" 636033	
(21) AMC		21	31	Three Stooges 201236		Fashion		Funny Face ('57) ★★★ Fred Astaire. 810946				Friendly Persuasion ('56) ★★★★ Gary Cooper. 824323			
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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Oct. 23, 2000:

Sift through your many ideas. Some will bring you much more of what you desire. Focus on your goals and revamp plans if need be. A key friend might function as devil's advocate. If you are single, a friendship could blossom into a lot more. Expand your horizons and don't get locked into anything. If attached, the two of you work well as a team. Get involved together in a key project. VIRGO is your friend.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Someone wants to be heard. Don't cause a conflict. Readjust — not that you're thrilled about it! Communication will flourish as long as you remain open to others. Be a good listener. Your work speaks for itself. Concentrate on your end of a project. Tonight: Do something for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ When another says no, you might feel as if you have been let down. Perhaps you need to tighten up an idea. Go back to the drawing board. You come up with better solutions and ideas. Handle a high-strung partner. Tonight: Put away work, and start enjoying.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Back off when you hit a major obstacle. Don't get into a problem, especially first thing on Monday. Your coolness and ability to detach make this a profitable day. Dig in and seek feedback. Concentrate on making another's wishes real. Tonight: You love relaxing at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ If you're off kilter, say so and restructure your plans. Try to be less stubborn and more fluid. You could balk at the last minute. A child or loved one might not choose the best time to chat and reveal what is on his mind. Suggest a long lunch or a dinner chat. Tonight: Chitchat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Use your sixth sense with a moneymaking venture. You don't have to agree with others, but you also don't have to take a risk. Knowing when to say no proves to be critical. Give a family member or close associate the power to make decisions. Tonight: Pay bills first.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Use your high vitality to clear out not only work but also key errands. Establishing limits proves to be primary to a project. Use your keen sense of humor with a difficult family member. Help move him past his position. Your communication convinces others that you're right. Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Establish stronger limits within yourself. Use your self-discipline, and you can profit. Stay ahead of problems. Don't create problems by deferring or not dealing with an issue. Your intuition might be right on about a money matter. Still, test the waters. Work on facts, not wishful thinking. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ What you say has meaning. Your words carry your message, and others respond. Your Achilles' heel could be financial. Though you know where you are heading, a last-minute snafu could send you in the wrong direction. Ask questions so you can understand where another is coming from. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You might feel like you are turning yourself inside-out by assuming new responsibilities and in your dealings with others. Examine your professional needs. Explore the appropriateness of your job. Say no to a problematic situation and study your options. Tonight: In the limelight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Curb a tendency to make mountains out of molehills. Making good decisions is instrumental to your well-being. Separate what actually needs to be done as opposed to what you think needs to be done. Friends surround you. Don't miss a key meeting. Tonight: Catch up on e-mail.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ One-on-one relating brings interesting reactions from a friend. Listen! Understand that this person has good intentions but doesn't walk in your shoes. Make decisions accordingly. Think about your work and its impact on your personal life. Tonight: A quiet dinner and talk.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Tension mounts at work. Stand back and allow others to take the lead. Knowing when not to get involved could be instrumental to your success. You don't want to make a mistake with a boss. If you have second thoughts, evaluate them carefully. Act on them later. Tonight: Go with another's suggestions.

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Edited by Joyce Nichols Lewis

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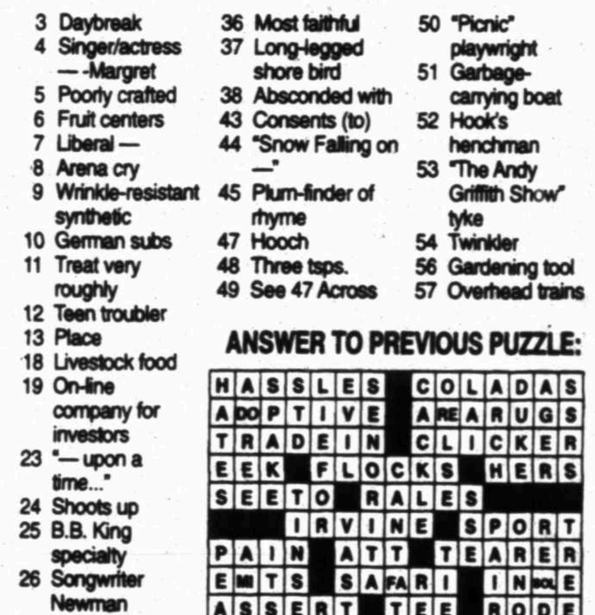
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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 - East-West Vulnerable, you hold:
♠ A Q J 10 9 2 ♥ J 7 6 ♦ 9 4 ♣ 8 7

Partner opens the bidding with one no trump. What do you respond?

A - This is no problem. You want to play game in spades and nothing else, so bid four spades. If you play transfer bids, transfer into spades and then bid game.

Q 2 - Neither vulnerable, you hold:
♠ A K J 10 7 5 2 ♥ 6 3 ♦ 7 ♣ Q 6 5

Partner opens the bidding with one heart. What do you respond?

A - Again, no problem. Other than a suit that will play for one loser opposite a void, you have little more. The way to describe this hand is to jump to four spades. That will set partner's mind at rest about the trump suit should there be a slam in the offing.

Q 3 - Both vulnerable, you hold:
♠ A J 9 ♥ 6 ♦ J 10 9 8 7 4 2 ♣ J 6

Partner opens the bidding with one spade. What do you respond?

A - Your hand is not good enough to respond two diamonds, and there is no reason why you should even want to. With three good trumps and ruffing values in both clubs and hearts, a raise to two spades stands out.

Q 4 - Neither vulnerable, you hold:
♠ K 10 7 6 ♥ 8 5 4 3 ♦ A J 7 3 ♣ 8

Partner opens the bidding with one club. What do you respond?

A - There are those who always respond in a four-card major when partner opens the bidding in a minor suit. In the immortal words of Samuel Goldwyn, include us out! The correct method of handling four-card suits is to bid them up the line, so the recommended response is one diamond.

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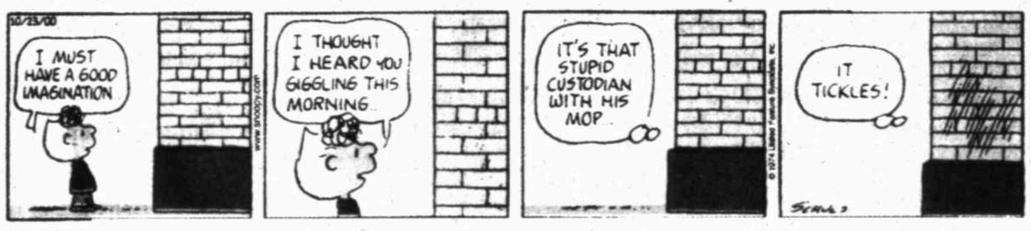
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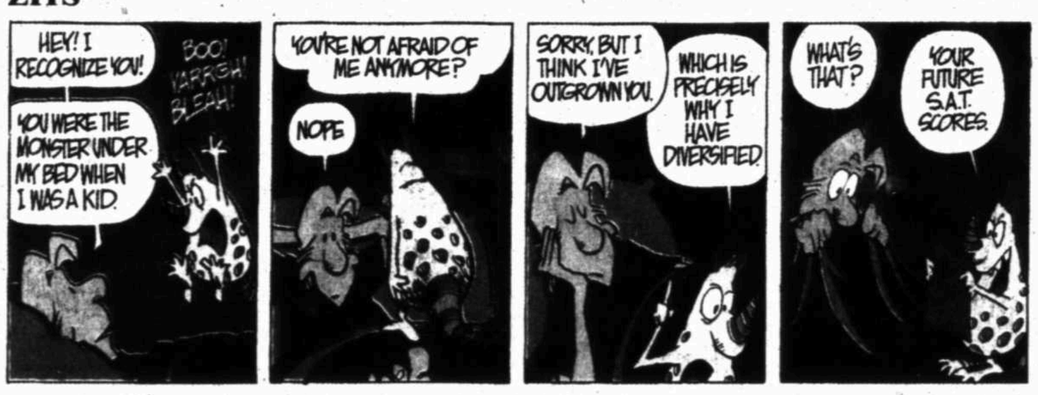
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Clemens throws heat, bat in Yankees victory

By Ben Walker
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — Roger Clemens didn't throw a ball at Mike Piazza this time. Just a bat.

And when the benches emptied in the very first inning, it was clear this Subway Series had a definite mean streak, fueled by a beaning that was far from forgotten.

Clemens set the tone right away and pitched eight shutout innings and the New York Yankees held off the Mets' five-run ninth for a 6-5 victory Sunday night and a 2-0 lead in the World Series.

"Let's try to analyze it: Why would he throw it at him?" New York Yankees manager Joe Torre snapped, out of character. "There's a lot of emotion between these clubs since Roger last pitched against them."

Piazza seemed to unleash all his fury in the ninth, hitting a two-run homer off reliever Jeff Nelson. Jay Payton hit a three-run homer off Mariano Rivera, but it could not stop the Yankees from posting their record 14th straight World Series victory.

Scott Brosius homered off loser Mike Hampton and hit a sacrifice fly, and Paul O'Neill, Derek Jeter and Tino Martinez each had three hits for the Yankees.

For the second straight night, the Mets looked lost at Yankee Stadium, this time making three early errors as a sellout crowd of 56,059 hooted.

Now, when the Series shifts to Shea Stadium for Game 3 Tuesday night, the Mets must hope Rick Reed can somehow beat Orlando Hernandez, the only pitcher ever to win his first eight postseason decisions.

His cap pulled down low and his glove held high to shield all but his eyes, Clemens held the Mets to two singles.

The Rocket was clearly revved up from the start, bouncing all around the diamond to congratulate his fielders. He hardly needed a lot of help as he struck out nine and walked none.

Nelson took over to start the ninth and gave up a single to Edgardo Alfonzo, Piazza's homer high off the left-field foul pole and a single to Robin Ventura.

At that point, Rivera relieved and closed it out, though it wasn't easy. Left fielder Clay Bellinger had to reach at the top of the wall to rob Todd Zeile of a two-run homer, and after Benny Agbayani singled, Payton homered. Rivera struck out Kurt Abbott to end it.

Throwing 97 mph fastballs — along with the barrel of a shattered bat in Piazza's path — Clemens evened his career postseason record at 5-5 in 16 starts.

"It was just so bizarre," Piazza said."When he threw the bat, I basically walked out and kept asking him what his problem was. He really had no response."

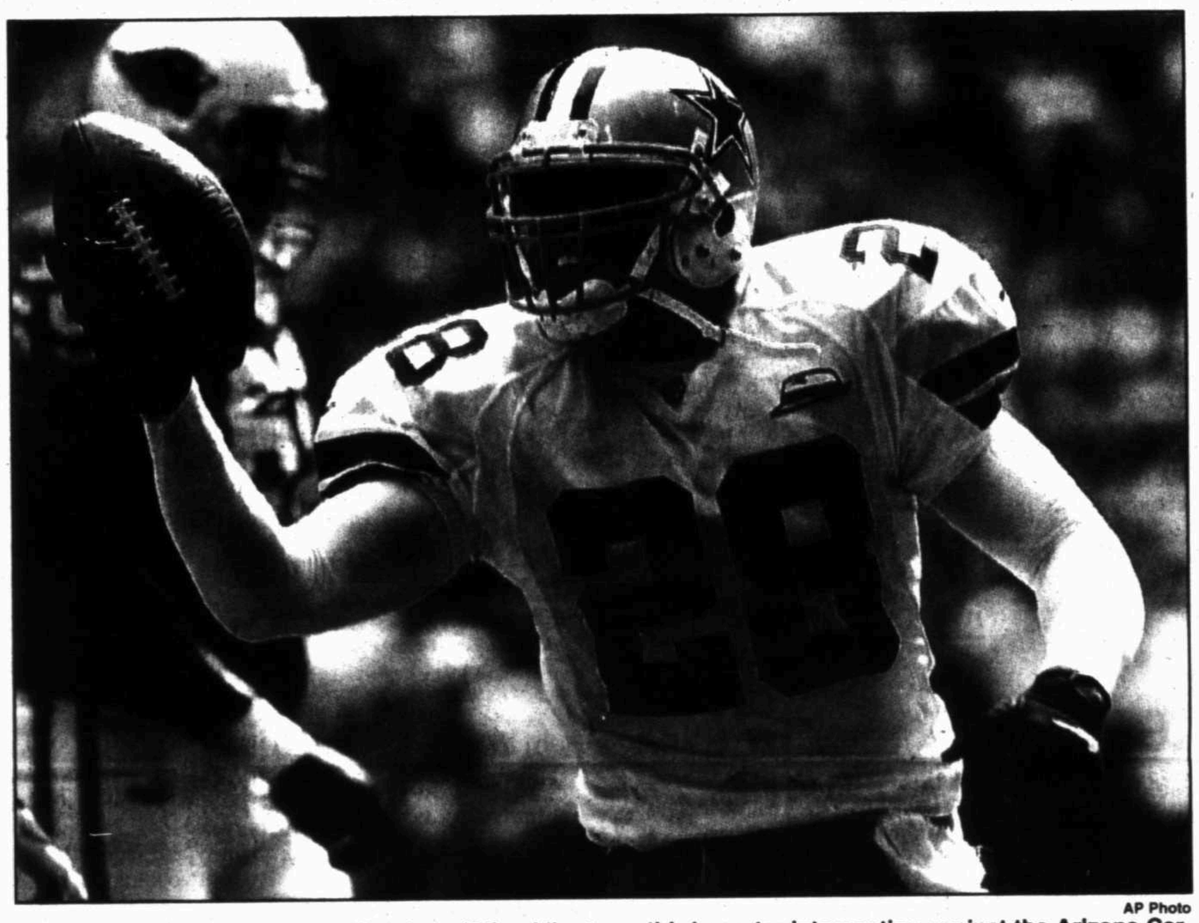
Ever since the Mets-Yankees matchup was set, the whole city wondered what would happen when Clemens faced Piazza for the first time since hitting him in the head with a fastball in an interleague game July 9. Boos filled the ballpark as Piazza, 7-for-12 with three home runs lifetime against Clemens, slowly walked to the plate.

Then on a 1-2 count, all the tension that had been brewing suddenly blew up. Piazza shattered his bat on a foul ball, and the barrel went skittering toward the mound. Clemens instantly reacted, grabbing the broken piece and furiously slinging it in Piazza's path as the Mets star jogged toward first base.

Piazza stopped with the bat handle in his hand, looked at Clemens and took a couple of steps in his direction. As plate umpire Charlie Reliford rushed between them, players from the dugouts and bullpens ran onto the field. There was some pushing, but no punching, as Clemens and Piazza were kept apart and order was quickly restored.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Cowboys crush Cards



AP Photo

Dallas Cowboys safety Darren Woodson (28) celebrates a third quarter interception against the Arizona Cardinals in Irving Sunday. The Cowboys picked off three passes in a 48-7 victory.

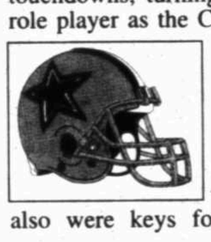
Dallas bounces back with 48-7 win

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Maybe it was Troy Aikman's sore back. Maybe it was Arizona's pathetic run defense.

Regardless of the reason, the Dallas Cowboys' decision to keep the ball on the ground was a good one.

Emmitt Smith and Chris Warren rushed for a total of 176 yards and three touchdowns, turning Aikman into a role player as the Cowboys beat the Cardinals 48-7 on Sunday.



A swarming defense and Wane McGarity's punt return for a touchdown also were keys for Dallas, which enjoyed its most lopsided victory since 1980. It was quite a turnaround for a team that had been outscored 82-38 in two previous home games this season, both losses.

"We've been waiting for a game like this for quite a while," Dallas center Mark Stepnoski said. "It's not often that you get up 48-0. You have to enjoy

Please see **ROMP**/2C

Rams lose game, Warner vs. Chiefs

Associated Press

The St. Louis Rams lost quarterback Kurt Warner and a game, and record-setting Corey Dillon made the Cincinnati Bengals forget that's what they were supposed to do.

Warner, last season's NFL and Super Bowl MVP, broke the little finger on his right (throwing) hand and will miss up to six weeks. Dillon set the record for yards rushing in a game when he ran for 278 to lead the Bengals to their first victory of the season, a 31-21 upset of Denver.

Warner's injury in Kansas City's 54-34 victory — the Rams' first loss of the season — was one of five that knocked out starting quarterbacks Sunday. The Chiefs lost Elvis Grbac with an injured right elbow.

Other quarterbacks sidelined with injuries were Cincinnati's Akili Smith, Chicago's Cade McNown and Seattle's Brock Huard. Tennessee running back Eddie George, who helped lead the Titans to the Super Bowl last January against the Rams, injured his right knee on his first carry against Baltimore.

Chiefs 54, Rams 34

Kurt Warner, the league's leading passer, broke the little finger on his right hand as the defending Super Bowl champions lost for the first time this season.

Warner, who could be out up to six weeks, was hurt when the ball hit his finger on a snap, leading to a fumble that Kansas City recovered late in the first half. The Rams (6-1) also might be without run-

Please see **NFL**/2C

Longhorn has good day at Collegiate Invitational

■ UT's Haro takes home singles title, doubles crown at Racquet Club tournament.

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

The general consensus on the three-day Racquet Club Collegiate Invitational which concluded Sunday afternoon was that the tennis was good and that everybody enjoyed themselves.

Especially Jorge Haro.

The University of Texas junior pulled off a sweep in the tournament, beginning the day by defeating Alexis Rudzinski of Southern Methodist 6-2, 5-7, 6-4 to claim the singles title. Then, with little rest, Haro teamed with Texas doubles partner Craig Edmondson to defeat the Texas Christian duo of Scott Eddins and Jimmy Haney 6-2, 6-2 for the doubles championship.

"It couldn't get any better than this," said Haro. "The tournament was good and I played good. We were just trying to see that we were ready to play good players."

And Haro emerged as the best player in the rather select tournament, which featured 16 players from seven top notch programs from Texas as well as Florida State. Haro survived a rocky finish to the second set of his singles match, squandering a chance to close out Rudzinski in two sets before pulling himself together in the third.

The doubles victory was far easier, as Haro and Edmondson didn't lose a single service game, and broke Eddins and Haney twice apiece en route to an easy victory.

Haro led Rudzinski 5-3 in the second set and with a service game winner would have won the match. But Haro ended the game with a double fault, and that set off a chain reaction as Rudzinski won four straight games to win the second set and tie the match.

"I was just trying a strategy which I'd been using the whole match and I didn't change it, but (Rudzinski) started playing really well," said Haro. "He was returning every shot and playing unbelievable."

Please see **TENNIS**/2C

Lady Chaps set to host golf tourney at Hogan

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

The Midland College Lady Chaparral golf team is looking to secure a No. 1 national ranking when it hosts the First Lady Chap Fall Invitational at Hogan Park Golf Course today.

First Lady Chap Fall Invitational

This is the final tournament of the fall golf season so the Lady Chaps, the two-time defending national champions, want to make sure they head into the spring season as the national title favorites when the polls come out at the end of the fall.

"From a standpoint of pride, it's nice to know that you're regarded, that you're right there at the top," said Lady Chaps' coach Joe Williams. "It should give the girls some incentive to work a little harder for the national tournament."

The invitational will feature the top three women's junior college golf teams in the country in MC, McLennan Community College, which is bringing two teams, and Tyler, which is coming off a win in Dodge City, Kan. The other teams participating will be UT-Southmost of Brownsville, Cisco Junior College and NAIA schools Incarnate Word and St. Mary's out of San Antonio.

The first round will kick off at 9 a.m. today on the Quail course, while the second round will begin with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start Tuesday on the Roadrunner course.

"McLennan has played much stronger competition than we have, so we know they're going to be ready to play," said Williams, about the Lady Chaps' strongest competition over the last three years.

The Lady Chaps have won all three tournaments they've participated in this fall, but they've had to come from behind in two of the three tournaments to do so.

"We're coming back strong but we're getting ourselves in a few holes we don't need to get in in the first place," Williams said. "A lot of that has to do with inexperience and it's due to not realizing how important strokes are on that first day and building a little bit of cushion.

"The good news is that they've got enough character to get it together and come back."

This year's version of the Lady Chaps has an all freshman cast, quite different from last year's squad which featured an all-sophomore top five.

"They're kind of following a tradition more than anything and trying to live up to it, and they're doing a good job of it," said Williams about his young team. "I just don't want it to be misleading for them since we've won three tournaments that we're there because we're nowhere

Please see **CHAPS**/2C

LEE PASSMORE

No one's feeling sorry for Andrews and Big Spring now

When the dreaded UIL realignment was announced in February, a glance at the new configuration of District 4-4A was bound to produce some cringes from several locations.



Passmore

The biggest whining figured to come from the three teams from last year's District 5-4A — Andrews, Big Spring and Snyder — who would be "called up" to 4-4A. Wolfforth Frenship and Plainview, two 4-4A holdovers, were both playoff teams last season, and Frenship experienced the happy coincidence of having last year's Class 4A Player of the Year land in its lap as former Stephenville quarterback Kendal Briles moved into the district after his father Art accepted the job as running backs coach at Texas Tech.

That figured to leave Andrews, Big Spring and Snyder in the breach, as at best, only one of those teams looked to be able to make the 4-4A postseason party. Big Spring coach Dwight Butler even had a reminder on the chalkboard in his office prior to the season, as he was sent an anonymous note listing the teams in the new 4-4A along with the proclamation "Poor, poor Big Spring."

If anybody's pitying the Steers right now, though, it's wasted. And don't go feeling sorry for Andrews either. Snyder's another story, but as anybody who's mastered their cliches will tell you, two out of three ain't bad.

And two out of those three look like they're in good shape for a playoff berth. Thanks to surprising developments last Friday night, Big Spring sits atop the district at 4-0, while Andrews shocked Frenship 36-35 in overtime, causing a tie for second between the Mustangs and Tigers at 3-1.

Absolutely nothing is guaranteed for anybody in the district with three games still to play, so any optimism needs to be slightly tempered. But Andrews and Big Spring can both control their playoff destinies in the remaining games, especially as the Mustangs and Steers have two of their final three at home.

The district has been as good as advertised, and maybe even a little better. It's no stretch to say that the addition of Big Spring and Andrews has made it stronger.

Yet, Big Spring, despite its frontrunner status, can't celebrate anything yet. Even if the Steers beat Lubbock Estacado Friday, they won't clinch a playoff berth unless Snyder also beats Levelland.

Actually, Andrews has a somewhat more favorable schedule over the next three weeks. The Mustangs, with Frenship freshly vanquished in their rearview mirror, face Plainview, San Angelo Lake View and Levelland, who are a combined 3-9 in 4-4A.

And make no mistake, Frenship is still a huge factor despite the loss to Andrews. But nobody can say that Big Spring and Andrews are among the lambs being led to the 4-4A slaughter. They're dogs who are in the middle of the hunt.

Since district play started for most of the Reporter-Telegram area teams two weeks ago, their performances have been impressive. Area teams have combined for an 11-2 record over the last two weeks, and both of those losses were by three points.

With the exception of Garden City, all of the area teams are at home this Friday night, so if you don't make it out to support your favorite team, you don't have an excuse. Perhaps the two most intriguing games on the schedule are Greenwood hosting No. 2 Lamesa in a District 3-3A battle and Midland Christian hosting Denton Liberty Christian in a TAPPS District 1-4A contest which will go a long way toward deciding a playoff berth.

Regardless of your allegiances, it can safely be said that all the area teams are far closer to contending than pretending right now.

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NFL: Ricky Williams scores 3 TDs

(From 1C)

ning back Marshall Faulk, who injured his left shoulder.

The Chiefs lost quarterback Elvis Grbac with an injured right elbow. He was not expected to miss any time.

Despite Warner's injury, it was St. Louis' defense that let the team down. The Chiefs scored their most points ever in their 29 seasons at Arrowhead Stadium.

Kimble Anders scored two touchdowns and rushed for 102 yards for the Chiefs (4-3), who led 20-0 after one quarter. Interceptions of Warner ended two of the first three St. Louis possessions.

Bengals 31, Broncos 21

Corey Dillon had touchdown runs of 65 and 41 yards in the fourth quarter, and finished with a record 278 yards rushing as Cincinnati won for the first time in four games in its new Paul Brown Stadium. Dillon broke Walter Payton's 13-year-old mark of 275.

The Bengals (1-6) had lost eight straight games dating to last season.

Cincinnati, which lost Akili Smith after he was dazed on a sack, completed only two passes for 34 yards, but it ground out a team-record 407 yards against a defense that had been giving up just 65 yards a game. Receiver Peter Warrick also had a 77-yard touchdown run.

Brian Griese threw two touchdowns passes for the Broncos (4-4).

Titans 14, Ravens 6

Tennessee didn't need Eddie George, who injured his right knee on his only carry of the game. And quarterback Steve McNair was just 11-of-21 for 101 yards.

But not much was required of the Titans (6-1), because Baltimore (5-3) hasn't scored a touchdown since September. Randall Godfrey had two of four interceptions — returning one 24 yards for a touchdown.

Visiting Tennessee intercepted Tony Banks three times and Trent Dilfer once in solidifying its hold on first place in the AFC Central over the Ravens.

Vikings 31, Bills 27

Randy Moss made a spectacular 39-yard touchdown catch with less than four minutes remaining as Minnesota (7-0) rallied from an 11-point deficit. Gary Anderson kicked a 21-yard field goal with 1:04 remaining to preserve the victory and break the NFL's career scoring record. The 41-year-old Anderson scored 11 points to break George Blanda's record 2,002 points by two.

With the loss by St. Louis, Minnesota is now the NFL's only unbeaten team. But staying that way wasn't easy because Doug Flutie, subbing for the injured Rob Johnson, was 28-of-43 for 294 yards and a touchdown for visiting Buffalo (3-3).

Redskins 35, Jaguars 16

Albert Connell had career highs of 211 yards in receptions and three touchdowns passes as visiting Washington (6-2) won its fifth straight game and Jacksonville (2-6) lost its fifth in a row.

Connell caught scoring passes of 11, 49 and 77 yards from Brad Johnson, who threw for 269. Stephen Davis ran for 114 yards and two touchdowns for the Redskins, who moved a half-game ahead of the idle New York Giants into first place in the NFC East.

Fred Taylor had 124 yards rushing for Jacksonville. But Mark Brunell was sacked six times to bring his league-leading total to 38.

Jacksonville lost offensive lineman Zach Weigert and defensive lineman Gary Walker left early with sprained knees.

Raiders 31, Seahawks 3

Tyrone Wheatley had a career-high 156 yards on 15 carries — including a career-longest 80-yard touchdown run for the Raiders (6-1), who moved out to a two-game lead in the AFC West.

Rich Gannon had scoring passes of 16 and 9 yards to Tim Brown and 24 yards to James Jett as the Raiders won their fourth straight game.

Visiting Seattle (2-6), allowed Oakland to rush for 205 yards after also letting Indianapolis surpass the 200-yard mark a week earlier.

Saints 21, Falcons 19

Ricky Williams rushed for more than 100 yards for the fifth straight game, getting 156 and scoring three touchdowns. New Orleans (4-3) won for the third time in a row to pass last season's victory total.

Atlanta (2-6) nearly tied the game in the Georgia Dome when Chris Chandler threw a 33-yard touchdown pass to Terance Mathis with 2:58 remaining. But Chandler's pass attempt for a two-point conversion went through the hands of Reggie Kelly, covered tightly by Sammy Knight at the goal line.

Colts 30, Patriots 23

Indianapolis (5-2) rallied for 16 points in the final quarter to win at the RCA Dome, where it hadn't played since Sept. 25.

The Colts reduced their deficit to 23-21 when Peyton Manning threw a 1-yard TD pass to Edgerrin James with 6:16 left. Earlier, Manning had TD passes of 78 and 51 yards to Marvin Harrison.

After forcing a punt by New England (2-6), the Colts relied on James, who rushed for 58 yards including a 3-yard TD. He finished with 124 yards rushing on 20 carries.

After avoiding injuries through six games, the Colts lost rookie linebacker Rob Morris and defensive tackle Ellis Johnson to knee injuries. Safety Jason Belser also left after being hit in the head.

Steelers 22, Browns 0

Pittsburgh converted four Cleveland turnovers into scores and got its second straight shutout, the first time the Steelers have done that in 24 years.

It also was the fourth consecutive victory for the Steelers (4-3), their best run since winning five straight in 1997.

Jerome Bettis ran for 105 yards on 33 carries and the game's only touchdown in his third successive 100-yard game. Kris Brown kicked five field goals — three following turnovers.

The Browns (2-6) didn't cross midfield until the fourth quarter as they lost their fifth in a row.

Panthers 34, 49ers 16

Steve Beuerlein threw for 309 yards and three touchdowns as Carolina picked apart San Francisco's young secondary.

The win gave Carolina (3-4) a season sweep over the 49ers and improved coach George Seifert's record against his former team to 4-0.

The Niners (2-6) got on the board when Jeff Garcia, the league leader in touchdown passes, threw a 16-yarder Terrell Owens, the league leader in TD receptions. It was the ninth time the two have hooked up this season for a score, and the 20th TD pass for Garcia.

Eagles 13, Bears 9

Donovan McNabb threw for 207 yards and a touchdown as Philadelphia (5-3) matched last year's win total and went two games over .500 for the first time since 1996.

Bears quarterback Cade McNown separated his left (throwing) shoulder when he was driven hard into the artificial turf at Veterans Stadium by Mike Caldwell in the second quarter. McNown was 6-of-9 for 49 yards, and was sacked twice.

Backup Jim Miller's desperation pass fell incomplete as time expired, and Chicago fell to 1-7, its worst start since 1997.

LOCAL SPORTS

GTCC Couples Club tourney

Here are the results from the 2000 Couples Club Championship held at Green Tree Country Club with the top gross and top two net scores listed.

First Flight

1st Gross: Bobby Welborn-Trina Albright 306. **1st Net:** Tom and Joy Harlan 291. **2nd Net:** Robert Parker-Dawn Dearsley 295.

Second Flight

1st Gross: Ed and Joy Stark 383. **1st Net:** Foy Cox-Evelyn Davis 310. **2nd Net:** Frank and Jean Gray 314.

Mission Dorado Ladies tourney

ODESSA — Sandra Hill recorded the low gross with a 171 and Jennifer Seybert won the net score competition with a 140 in The Club at Mission Dorado's Ladies Club Championship. Here are the rest of the results.

Championship Flight

1st Gross: Sandra Hill 83-88—171. **2nd Gross:** Laveta Hergenreter 87-90—177. **1st Net:** Jennifer Seybert 68-72—140. **2nd Net:** Betty Perkins 77-77—154.

Presidents Flight

1st Gross: Mary Jane Duffy 100-93—193. **2nd Gross:** Alice Watkins 108-103—211. **1st Net:** Pat Ares 79-76—155. **2nd Net:** Molla Maytubby 85-81—166.

Americans reclaim Cup

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

GAINESVILLE, Va. — This cup didn't runneth over with champagne. The party didn't last into the night. The Americans came to the Presidents Cup on a quiet mission, and accomplished it with record precision.

They didn't just reclaim the Presidents Cup on Sunday, they gave the International team a beating even worse than the one they suffered two years ago in Australia.

And they gave captain Ken Venturi the victorious sendoff he wanted.

"All of our guys gave me 100 percent, and I'll always be indebted for what they did for me," said Venturi, who won the 1964 U.S. Open up the road at Congressional and watched his team grow up during his 32 years as a television analyst.

Hammered and humiliated in Melbourne in 1998, the Americans won back the Presidents Cup with a 21 1/2-10 1/2 victory, the largest margin ever in the short history of the cup and their biggest international rout since a 15-point decision in the 1967 Ryder Cup.

"We didn't want to go out today and let our guard down," said Tiger Woods, who beat Vijay Singh and finished with his first winning record in team competition, 3-2.

The only thing missing was the celebration. No one sprayed champagne from the balcony or doused their teammates with beer. Davis Love III, who clinched the cup by beating Ernie Els, was careful to even walk on the 17th green to congratulate Stewart Cink.

They simply hugged Venturi and soaked up a job well done.

"You start to make a little bit of money, and now all of a sudden people think we're spoiled and don't care," Love said. "We're a little spoiled, but we care."

Whether that's true will be determined in 2002 when the Presidents Cup goes to South Africa. Some Americans have already complained about another trip overseas.

"We'll see how much they love this cup they just won," said Els, a native of South Africa.

Notah Begay closed out the matches with a 1-up victory over Retief Goosen, the final measure of payback. Coming off a 20 1/2-11 1/2 loss in the last Presidents Cup, the worst beating ever suffered by an American team, they wanted to fully repay the favor.

"Keep it up, you're point 21," Paul Azinger said to Tom Lehman, who struggled to stay in his match with Steve Elkington. Lehman didn't get it done, but two rookies bringing up the rear — Kirk Triplett and Begay — managed to come through.

For Woods, it also was personal.

After missing a rare putt in his best-ball loss to Singh on Saturday, he noticed Singh's caddie, Paul Tesori, wearing a cap with "Tiger Who?" stitched on the back.

Few putts were conceded in a match between the players who won all the majors this year — Singh the Masters, Woods the other three. On the fourth hole, Woods already had a bogey but refused to give Singh a 10-foot birdie putt — or the 18-inch par putt that followed.

Woods finally closed him out with a 15-foot birdie putt on 17 for a 2-and-1 victory.

"I wanted him, and I know he wanted me," Woods said.

That was the only sign of controversy in this Presidents Cup, a kinder, gentler affair. Not a heckle was heard the entire week, and Love even mocked the infamous American charge across the 17th green at the Ryder Cup last year.

After Stewart Cink closed out Greg Norman on the 17th, Love walked over to congratulate him and stopped on the fringe as if he were about to go over a cliff.

Instead, it was the International team that must have felt like jumping.

Trying to prove it could win on American soil, it suffered an equally embarrassing week on the Robert Trent Jones Golf Club, where it is now 0-for-3.

TENNIS: Organizers plan yearly event

(From 1C)

In the third set, Rudzinski broke Haro to go up 2-1, but when Haro broke back to tie it at 2-2 he seemed to reclaim some momentum. Haro broke again to go up 4-2, and strangely, neither player held serve the rest of the way, which worked to Haro's advantage.

"The toughest thing when you're playing and losing in the third set is that many bad things come into your mind," said Haro. "You think about being tired, how hot it is and everything negative, but you've got to block that out if you're going to win."

Haro took care of business against Rudzinski by himself, but he would need some help in the doubles match, and he was probably fortunate that it was scheduled after singles. The match would feature some intrigue since Haro had beaten No. 1 seed Eddins in the singles semifinals Saturday, the round in which Edmondson was eliminated by Rudzinski.

Obviously, Edmondson was the fresher of the two UT players.

"I was a little weak because I hadn't eaten," said Haro of coming back on short rest. "I was just trying to help (Edmondson) out and he kept me in the match."

While Haro landed some big serves and laser-like volleys for key points, Edmondson was highly active in scrambling for balls to retrieve points. But Edmondson believed the partnership was equal.

"I figured (Haro) was going to be on a high after winning singles but there was always the factor that he might be a little tired," said Edmondson. "I don't think I really had to pump him up."

Other teams in the field included Texas Tech, Texas A&M and Baylor. Racquet Club head pro Scott Stewart, who organized the tournament, plans on making it an annual event.

Racquet Club general manager Jim Morrissey thinks the event will only add to the prestige of the community and facility.

"It does two things," said Morrisey of the tournament. "It kind of verifies our tennis program. Scott's the No. 1 tennis pro right now for hardcourt players over 30, but beyond that the members are very enthusiastic about having the players here."

Haro, for one, says he'd like to come back next fall to defend his title.

"I'll be more than happy to come," said Haro. "If everything goes well you'll see me here again."

CHAPS: Finlay leads way for team

(From 1C)

near where we need to be at the end of the year."

Redshirt freshman Angela Finlay, from Scotland, had led the way for the Lady Chaps playing in the No. 1 spot. But MC has also seen some good performances out of Stephanie Smith, a freshman from Phoenix, and Mandy Chappel, a freshman from Fallon, Nev., who is coming off a win at the Western New Mexico University Invitational in Ruidoso last week.

The other players on the team include Midland High product Shelly Winchell, Fort Stockton grad Vanessa Gonzalez and Angela Whitley, from Quanah.

"I look for the girls to score well," Williams said. "I also look for McLennan to score very well as well as Tyler. But I think the scores should be good if the weather is not a problem."

"If we can stay focused at this tournament, I think we could do pretty good," Chappel said.

Along with Chappel, Finlay could be one to watch for in this tournament. Although she didn't play as well as she would've liked in Ruidoso with a fourth place finish, look for her to bounce back.

"Everyone looks at me and thinks because I'm from Scotland, people expect me to do well in tournaments," Finlay said. "But being No. 1 has helped my confidence a lot."

Another player who may have a great tournament is Smith, who posted a fifth place finish at the WNMU Invite.

"I'm hitting the ball pretty well now," Smith said. "Consistency is the most important part of my game. I've just been working a lot on my short game and trying to get that together. I'm looking for a top three finish and I know I can do it. (In this tournament) every shot is going to count. If you have a bad hole, leave it and go on to the next."

ROMP: Aikman applauded in pre-game

(From 1C)

it because they are so rare."

Arizona (2-5) endured its worst defeat since 1981. The Cardinals have lost four of five games since beating the Cowboys in the second week and have dropped 11 straight regular-season games in Texas Stadium.

Injuries thinned Arizona's depth on the defensive line, leaving the Cardinals vulnerable. Dallas exploited it by running on 20 of its first 28 plays, including 10 straight, en route to a 27-0 halftime lead.

"This is one of the worst games I have been involved with," said quarterback Jake Plummer, who was 20-of-31 for 180 yards, with three interceptions. "It's a sick feeling right now."

The Cowboys (3-4), who started the game with the only run defense more generous than Arizona's, ran for a season-high 200 yards. They had just four rushing touchdowns in the previous six games and ran for only 90 yards in a 32-31 loss to the Cardinals in September.

"Arizona was rated 30th in the league. No disrespect to them, but if we weren't able to run the ball against them, something was wrong," said Smith, who had 112 yards and a touchdown.

The intrigue coming in was whether Aikman would rebound from his five-interception outing last week. The answer: Check back next week.

Although he was 9-for-15 for 154 yards and two touchdowns, his first completion came 3:10 before halftime with Dallas already ahead 21-0.

The Cowboys didn't have to pass because the run was working. It might have been a good thing, too, because the herniated disc that's been bothering Aikman all season was so painful that he needed an injection before kickoff.

"I tried to get it as loose as I could," said Aikman, who kept his left hand on his lower back throughout a postgame news conference. "It got stiff again when I came out."

The 33-year-old Aikman, who came into the game as the NFL's lowest-rated quarterback, admitted during the week that he's not as good as he used to be and said he expected to be booed during pregame introductions.

Instead, he was greeted with loud applause and there were never any catcalls, not even when he got off to an 0-for-4 start. The first two were dropped and the next two were knocked away by defenders.

After a short throw to Warren turned into an 11-yard gain, Aikman completed his next six. His best pass was a pump-and-go throw to James McKnight just before halftime that went 48 yards, a season-high.

As the play unfolded, Aikman hopped and pumped his right arm. Lineman Erik Williams wrapped one arm around Aikman and used his other to bump heads with him, causing the quarterback to smile.

Aikman made two good throws to Raghib Ismail in the second half, including a 24-yard touchdown. He also threw a 2-yard TD pass to Robert Thomas.

"They don't just program us to hit targets," Aikman said. "Sometimes things don't work the way you want. I prepared myself like every other game in my career."

Dallas held Arizona to 99 yards through three quarters. The Cardinals gained 177 in the final period, but their only score was a 1-yard run by Michael Pittman with 5:29 left while turning the ball over on downs inside the 5-yard line twice.

"I have been here for five years and this is about the lowest you can get," linebacker Ronald McKinnon said. "We have got to have the pride to come out and work hard everyday."

Notes: This was Dallas' widest win since beating Seattle 51-7 on Nov. 27, 1980. Arizona hadn't been beaten this badly since falling 52-10 to Philadelphia on Nov. 8, 1981. ... McGarity has returned two punts for TDs, both against Arizona. That ties a team record held by Deion Sanders, Bob Hayes, Kelvin Martin and Kevin Williams.

Cowboys 48, Cardinals 7

Arizona	0	0	0	7	—7
Dallas	14	13	14	7	—48

First Quarter

Dal—E.Smith 1 run (Seder kick), 3:26.
Dal—McGarity 59 punt return (Seder kick), 1:01.

Second Quarter

Dal—Warren 32 run (Seder kick), 10:52.
Dal—FG Seder 32, 1:30.
Dal—FG Seder 23, :00.

Third Quarter

Dal—Ismail 24 pass from Aikman (Seder kick), 6:50.
Dal—Warren 10 run (Seder kick), 4:03.

Fourth Quarter

Dal—Thomas 2 pass from Aikman (Seder kick), 12:21.
Ari—Pittman 1 run (Blanchard kick), 5:29.
A—62,981.

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First downs	15	23
Rushes-yards	24-109	40-200
Passing	167	147
Punt Returns	1-4	4-68
Kickoff Returns	6-164	1-8
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	3-43
Comp-Att-Int	20-31-3	9-15-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-13	1-7
Punts	5-43.0	3-41.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	11-59	5-30
Time of Possession	29:15	30:45

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Arizona, Jones 11-50, Plummer 3-36, Pittman 9-21, Makovicka 1-2.
Dallas, E.Smith 24-112, Warren 10-64, Thomas 3-14, Ismail 1-11, Cunningham 2-(minus 1).

PASSING—Arizona, Plummer 20-31-180-3. Dallas, Aikman 9-15-154-0.

RECEIVING—Arizona, Pittman 7-24, Boston 3-50, Cody 2-24, Jones 2-15, Sanders 2-14, Gedney 1-24, Jenkins 1-20, Makovicka 1-5, Hardy 1-4. Dallas, McKnight 3-75, Ismail 2-46, Thomas 2-9, Harris 1-13, Warren 1-11.

Jarrett gets hot at Pop Secret 400

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — The last time Dale Jarrett won a race was eight long months ago.

"I'm not sure it even feels like the same year we won at Daytona," Jarrett said Sunday after finally mastering North Carolina Speedway.

On a track where he had finished second six times in his last nine starts, the defending Winston Cup champion took the lead late in the Pop Secret 400 and pulled steadily away from old nemesis Jeff Gordon to earn his first win on Rockingham's 1.017-mile oval.

The race was slowed in the late laps by a fire in the pits that injured a crewman and two track firefighters.

Jarrett, who had not won since the season-opening Daytona 500 on Feb. 20, took the lead with 43 of the 393 laps remaining when his Robert Yates Racing crew got him off pit road ahead of the pack during the last of nine caution periods.

Gordon drove past Ricky Rudd to take second place moments after the green flag came out for the start of lap 354 and briefly challenged Jarrett's No. 88 Ford. But Jarrett finally moved away, beating Gordon's No. 24 Chevrolet to the finish line by 2.197 seconds — nearly a full straightaway.

"Finally. No more bridesmaid here," said Jarrett, who picked up the 24th victory of his career.

It was Gordon who beat him in two of those second-place finishes. The 1997 spring race was particularly frustrating for Jarrett, who dominated only to see Gordon race past in the final stages.

"I think in some of those times past we learned some things from Jeff Gordon and his team," Jarrett said. "They taught us a lesson that one day for sure, where we thought we were really home free and the last 30 laps they blew us away.

"When I looked up and saw he had passed Ricky back there, I was thinking, 'Uh, oh, what's going to happen this time?' But we had made the right decisions. It was nice to be able to beat Jeff."

Gordon said his crew made major adjustments on the last pit stop "and the car came to life."

"But then it fell off after a little while. If I could have got ahead of D.J., it might have been a different story, but he was definitely quicker there at the end," Gordon said.

Dale Earnhardt, trying desperately to catch series leader Bobby Labonte in their championship duel, failed to take full advantage of what could have been a huge break with just three races remaining this season.

Labonte lost a lap when he pitted with a deflating tire just four laps before a caution flag brought out by a fire in Matt Kenseth's pit allowed the rest of the leaders to make scheduled stops.

Earnhardt, who had been running among the leaders most of the day, suddenly developed handling problems and began slipping back into the field. At one point, he was 19th, the last driver on the lead lap, just one position ahead of Labonte.

The seven-time champion did manage to pass a few cars in the waning laps and finished 17th, gaining nine points on the leader. He'll head into the race on Nov. 5 in Phoenix trailing Labonte by 201 points.

"I don't know if I had a bad set of tires or a mismatched set of tires there at the end," Earnhardt said. "The car just went all to heck. It was pushing so hard I couldn't turn it.

"We gained a few (points) on him, but nothing like we need to. The numbers will still work, though."

Labonte was happy to come out as undamaged as he was.

"We're very fortunate that it is what it is and it's over now," he said. "Now we'll go on to the next one."

Despite all the yellow flags, the only serious accident of the day was the pit fire that began when something hot fell from the car and on to spilled gasoline during a tire change.

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Sunday, Oct. 22
N.Y. Yankees 6, N.Y. Mets 5, N.Y. Yankees lead series 2-0
Tuesday, Oct. 24
N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 12-13) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 11-5), 7:18 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 25
N.Y. Yankees (Cone 4-14 or Neagle 7-7) at N.Y. Mets (B.J. Jones 11-6), 7:18 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 26
N.Y. Yankees at N.Y. Mets, 7:18 p.m., if necessary
Saturday, Oct. 28
N.Y. Mets at N.Y. Yankees, 7 p.m., if necessary
Sunday, Oct. 29
N.Y. Mets at N.Y. Yankees, 7 p.m. EST, if necessary

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	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York (N)						
Hampton L,0-1	6	8	4	4	5	4
Rusch	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
RAWhite	1 1-3	1	1	1	1	1
Cook	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
New York (A)						
Clemens W,1-0	8	2	0	0	0	9
Nelson	0	3	3	3	0	0
MRivera	1	2	2	2	0	1

Nelson pitched to 3 batters in the 9th.

HBP—by Hampton (Justice), by Clemens (Alfonzo). WP—Clemens. PB—Posada. T—3:30. A—56,059 (57,545).

Late Box

YANKEES 4, METS 3, 12 innings

NEW YORK (N)	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK (A)	ab	r	hbi
Perez rf	6	0	1	0	Knblch dh	4	1	0 1
Alfonzo 2b	6	0	1	1	Jeter ss	4	1	1 0
Piazza dh	5	0	1	0	Justice lf	4	0	1 2
Zeile 1b	5	0	2	0	Bilnger lf	0	0	0 0
Vntura 3b	5	0	0	0	GHill lf	1	0	0 0
Agbyni lf	4	1	2	0	BeWrns cf	4	0	0 0
McEwg lf	1	0	0	0	TMrtnz 1b	6	1	2 0
Payton cf	5	1	1	0	Posada c	5	0	1 0
Pratt c	2	1	0	0	O'Neill rf	4	1	1 0
Bordick ss	1	0	0	0	Brosius 3b	3	0	1 0
Trmmll ph	1	0	1	2	Polonia ph	1	0	1 0
KAbbtt ss	2	0	1	0	Sojo 3b	2	0	0 0
					JVzcno 2b	6	0	4 1
Totals	**43**	**3**	**10**	**3**	**Totals**	**44**	**4**	**12 4**
New York (N) 000000300 000 — 3								
New York (A) 000002001 001 — 4								

Two outs when winning run scored.

DP—New York (N) 1. LOB—New York (N) 8, New York (A) 15. 2B—Zeile (1), Agbayani (1), KAbbott (1), Justice (1), Posada (1). CS—Piazza (1), Knoblauch (1). S—Bordick. SF—Knoblauch.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York (N)						
ALeiter	7	5	2	2	3	7
JFranco	1	1	0	0	0	0
Benitez	1	2	1	1	1	1
Cook	0	0	0	0	2	0
Rusch	1 2-3	1	0	0	2	0
Wendell L,0-1	1	3	1	1	1	0
New York (A)						
Pettitte	6 2-3	8	3	3	1	4
Nelson	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	0
MRivera	2	1	0	0	0	3
Stanton W,1-0	2	0	0	0	0	3

Cook pitched to 2 batters in the 10th.

HBP—by MRivera (Pratt), by Pettitte (Pratt). WP—Rusch 2. T—4:51. A—55,913 (57,545).

Golf Results

Presidents Cup

GAINESVILLE, Va. (AP) — Results Sunday of the Presidents Cup, played on the Robert Trent Jones Golf Club course:
UNITED STATES 21 1/2, INTERNATIONAL 10 1/2
Sunday
Singles
United States 7 1/2, International 4 1/2

Robert Allenby, International, def. Paul Azinger, United States, 2 and 1.
David Duval, United States, def. Nick Price, International, 2 and 1.
Loren Roberts, United States, def. Stuart Appleby, International, 3 and 2.
Mike Weir, International, def. Phil Mickelson, United States, 4 and 3.
Davis Love III, United States, def. Ernie Els, International, 4 and 3.
Steve Elkington, International, def. Tom Lehman, United States, 1-up.
Tiger Woods, United States, def. Vijay Singh, International, 2 and 1.
Stewart Cink, United States, def. Greg Norman, International, 2 and 1.
Carlos Franco, International, def. Hal Sutton, United States, 6 and 5.
Jim Furyk, United States, def. Shigeki Maruyama, International, 5 and 4.
Kirk Triplett, United States, halved with Michael Campbell, International.
Notah Begay, United States, def. Retief Goosen, International, 1-up.

AFLAC Champions

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — Final scores and money Sunday from the $750,000 AFLAC Champions, played on the 6,231-yard, par-72 The Crossings course (x-won playoff on first hole):

x-Karrie Webb, $122,000	69 —273
Dottie Pepper, $75,500	67 —273
Nancy Scranton, $54,250	72 —274
Se Ri Pak, $34,383	65 —277
Michele Redman, $34,383	68 —277
Beth Daniel, $34,383	71 —277
Barb Mucha, $22,900	71 —278
Sherri Steinhauer, $19,550	78 —280
Laura Davies, $16,256	69 —281
Mi Hyun Kim, $16,256	69 —281
Rachel Hetherington, $16,256	73 —281
Sophie Gustafson, $13,545	71 —282
Pat Hurst, $13,545	74 —282
Kelli Kuehne, $12,520	72 —283
Rosie Jones, $11,470	70 —284
Brandie Burton, $11,470	72 —284
Donna Andrews, $10,570	72 —285
Laurel Kean, $10,570	74 —285
Pearl Sinn, $9,985	75 —286
Alison Nicholas, $9,985	75 —286
Helen Alfredsson, $8,977	70 —288
Meg Mallon, $8,977	71 —288
Wendy Ward, $8,977	73 —288
Pat Bradley, $8,977	75 —288
Lorie Kane, $8,157	71 —289
Akiko Fukushima, $8,157	71 —289
Janice Moodie, $7,775	77 —290
Charlotta Sorenstam, $7,420	67 —291
Jackie Gallagher-Smith, $7,420	74 —291
Kelly Robbins, $7,065	75 —292
Maria Hjorth, $6,666	71 —293
Catrin Nilsmark, $6,666	71 —293
Danielle Ammaccapane, $6,666	76 —293
Tammie Green, $6,280	75 —294
Amy Fruhwirth, $5,982	74 —295
Mardi Lunn, $5,982	77 —295
Betsy King, $5,710	78 —298
Liselotte Neumann, $5,520	72 —300
Nancy Lopez, $5,310	76 —302
Hiromi Kobayashi, $5,115	78 —303
JoAnne Carner, $4,832	75 —305
Dale Eggeling, $4,832	78 —305

Kaanapali Seniors

LAHAINA, Hawaii (AP) — Final scores and earnings Sunday of the $1.1 million EMC Kaanapali Classic, played on the 6,590-yard, par-71 Kaanapali Golf Club North course:

Hale Irwin, $165,000	71-62-65 —198
Joe Inman, $96,800	67-68-67 —202
Jim Thorpe, $66,000	69-67-67 —203
H. Twitty, $66,000	70-66-67 —203
Allen Doyle, $66,000	71-63-69 —203
B.Smmrhays, $35,640	66-70-68 —204
G. Marsh, $35,640	70-66-68 —204
Walter Hall, $35,640	70-66-68 —204
Gary McCord, $35,640	70-64-70 —204
Stewart Ginn, $35,640	67-68-69 —204
Terry Dill, $21,371	70-70-65 —205
Jay Sigel, $21,371	72-67-66 —205
Steve Veriato, $21,371	72-67-66 —205
Gary Player, $21,371	69-69-67 —205
Mike Malone, $21,371	69-68-68 —205
B. Fleisher, $21,371	69-67-69 —205
J.M.Cnizares, $21,371	68-61-76 —205
D. Stockton, $14,586	69-71-66 —206
D. Eichelbrgr, $14,586	67-73-66 —206
Lon Hinkle, $14,586	71-71-64 —206
T. McGinnis, $14,586	70-68-68 —206
Fred Gibson, $14,586	72-66-68 —206
M.McCllough, $11,022	72-69-66 —207
C. O'Connor, $11,022	69-70-68 —207
Andy North, $11,022	71-68-68 —207
D. Douglass, $11,022	67-70-70 —207
Jim Colbert, $11,022	70-67-70 —207
DeWitt Weavr, $9,570	70-66-72 —208
R. Thompson, $7,469	71-70-68 —209
Frank Conner, $7,469	71-71-67 —209
Jim Albus, $7,469	73-67-69 —209
Ed Dougherty, $7,469	71-69-69 —209
J.C. Snead, $7,469	73-69-67 —209
Rex Caldwell, $7,469	72-67-70 —209
David Graham, $7,469	70-69-70 —209
Jim Ahern, $7,469	75-69-65 —209
George Burns, $7,469	71-74-64 —209
Chuck Moran, $7,469	67-69-73 —209
Jim Holtgrieve, $5,390	72-69-69 —210
Bill Brask, $5,390	68-73-69 —210
Jerry McGee, $5,390	72-68-70 —210
Hugh Baiocchi, $5,390	73-69-68 —210
C.C.Rodriguez, $5,390	70-68-72 —210
P. Parajeckas, $4,400	71-70-70 —211
Bob Dickson, $4,400	69-72-70 —211
Dana Quigley, $4,400	71-72-68 —211
J.D. Morgan, $4,400	69-74-68 —211
Ken Corliss, $3,520	73-67-72 —212
John Jacobs, $3,520	70-70-72 —212
Tom Shaw, $3,520	71-68-73 —212
Ron Parsons, $3,520	72-73-67 —212
Bob Charles, $2,603	72-70-71 —213
George Archer, $2,603	69-73-71 —213
Tom Jenkins, $2,603	73-70-70 —213
Bob Lendzion, $2,603	76-71-66 —213
Roy Vucinich, $2,603	76-71-66 —213
Kermit Zarley, $2,603	79-71-63 —213
Dick Lotz, $2,145	72-70-72 —214
Hubert Green, $2,145	74-69-71 —214
Mark Hayes, $1,980	73-71-71 —215
Larry Ziegler, $1,870	71-72-73 —216
W. Zembriski, $1,650	73-68-76 —217
Bob Lunn, $1,650	73-72-72 —217
Walt Morgan, $1,650	80-68-69 —217
H. Henning, $1,320	75-68-75 —218
Bob Wynn, $1,320	71-74-73 —218
Dick McClean, $1,320	80-71-67 —218
Jesse Patino, $1,100	74-74-71 —219
Greg Edwards, $1,001	77-71-72 —220
Rodney Acia, $1,001	78-71-71 —220
Al Kelley, $902	79-71-72 —222
Dean Overturf, $836	71-71-82 —224
Tommy Jacobs, $770	77-71-77 —225
L. Stubblefield, $704	78-74-76 —228
D. Sanders, $704	80-75-73 —228
Ed Sneed	78-69 —WD

Tampa Bay Classic

PALM HARBOR, Fla. (AP) — Final scores and earnings Sunday of the $2.4 million Tampa Bay Classic, played on the 7,295-yard, par-71 Westin Innisbrook Copperhead Course:

John Huston, $432,000	65 —271
Carl Paulson, $259,200	72 —274
Frank Lickliter, $139,200	69 —275
Len Mattiace, $139,200	71 —275
Joe Durant, $96,000	66 —276
Brad Faxon, $80,400	65 —277
Lee Janzen, $80,400	68 —277
Steve Lowery, $80,400	72 —277
Tim Herron, $69,600	69 —278
Craig Barlow, $57,600	68 —279
Bob Tway, $57,600	69 —279
Doug Barron, $57,600	69 —279
Andrew Magee, $57,600	72 —279
Scott Dunlap, $40,800	69 —280
Tommy Tolles, $40,800	70 —280
Fred Couples, $40,800	70 —280
Justin Leonard, $40,800	71 —280
Robin Freeman, $40,800	73 —280
Greg Kraft, $26,100	67 —281
Jerry Kelly, $26,100	68 —281
Omar Uresti, $26,100	69 —281
Cameron Beckman, $26,100	71 —281
Paul Curry, $26,100	72 —281
Jeff Maggert, $26,100	72 —281
Russ Cochran, $26,100	72 —281
Scott Gump, $26,100	73 —281
Skip Kendall, $16,680	67 —282
Billy Mayfair, $16,680	70 —282
Kenny Perry, $16,680	72 —282
David Peoples, $16,680	72 —282
Bob Burns, $16,680	72 —282
Bob Friend, $16,680	74 —282
Mike Hulbert, $12,411	69 —283
Brian Gay, $12,411	70 —283
John Cook, $12,411	70 —283
Brad Fabel, $12,411	70 —283
Jerry Smith, $12,411	70 —283
Bob May, $12,411	72 —283
Chris DiMarco, $12,411	74 —283
Sean Murphy, $8,640	70 —284
Ryan Howison, $8,640	70 —284
Fred Funk, $8,640	71 —284
David Toms, $8,640	72 —284
Brian Watts, $8,640	73 —284
Dudley Hart, $8,640	74 —284
Jay Delsing, $8,640	74 —284
Grant Waite, $8,640	74 —284
Craig Perks, $6,288	72 —285
Craig Parry, $6,288	74 —285
Jeff Sluman, $6,288	76 —285
Tommy Armour III, $5,683	69 —286
John Maginnes, $5,683	70 —286
Stephen Ames, $5,683	71 —286
Kelly Gibson, $5,683	71 —286
Woody Austin, $5,683	73 —286
Neal Lancaster, $5,376	70 —287
Fulton Allem, $5,376	70 —287
Trevor Dodds, $5,376	72 —287
Chris Riley, $5,376	72 —287
Mark Wiebe, $5,376	76 —287
Dan Forsman, $5,208	69 —288
Michael Bradley, $5,208	75 —288
Matt Gogel, $5,088	73 —289
Ben Bates, $5,088	73 —289
Kevin Wentworth, $5,088	75 —289
Garrett Morrison, $4,896	72 —290
Charles Raulerson, $4,896	72 —290
Mike Sposa, $4,896	74 —290
Nick Faldo, $4,896	75 —290
Joey Sindelar, $4,896	77 —290
Esteban Toledo, $4,752	74 —291
Mike Brisky, $4,704	73 —292
Jay Haas, $4,632	73 —294
Shaun Micheel, $4,632	79 —294

Turespana Masters

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Leading scores Sunday after the fourth round of the $850,000 Turespana Masters golf tournament, on the par-71, 6,957-yard Club de Campo golf course:

Padraig Harrington, Ireland	70 —267
Gary Orr, Scotland	66 —269
P.r-Ulrik Johansson, Sweden	68 —270
Darren Clarke, Ireland	65 —271
Francisco Cea, Spain	67 —272
Paul McGinley, Ireland	68 —272
Miguel Angel Jimenez, Spain	72 —273
Eduardo Romero, Argentina	68 —273
Santiago Luna, Spain	73 —274
Roger Wessels, South Africa	72 —274
Eamonn Darcy, Ireland	71 —274
Raphael Jacquelin, France	66 —275
Angel Cabrera, Argentina	68 —275
Fredrik Lindgren, Sweden	68 —275
Greg Owen, England	67 —276
Raymond Russell, Scotland	71 —276
David Howell, England	72 —276
Peter Baker, England	72 —276
Gary Evans, England	68 —277
Anthony Wall, England	68 —277
Marcel Siem, Germany	69 —277
Pierre Fulke, Sweden	70 —277
Stephen Gallacher, Scotland	73 —277
Steen Tinning, Denmark	66 —277
Also	
Sergio Garcia, Spain	70 —278
Miguel Angel Martin, Spain	72 —279
Tony Johnstone, Zimbabwe	73 —279
Andrew Coltart, Scotland	**68 —279**
Gustavo Rojas, Argentina	70 —280
Peter Lonard, Australia	71 —281
Phillip Price, Wales	73 —281
Jarrod Moseley, Australia	72 —282
Stephen Scahill, N. Zealand	73 —283
Sam Torrance, Scotland	71 —283
Bernhard Langer, Germany	71 —283

WPHL

Eastern Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Austin	4	0	0	8	16	6
Bossier-Shrevprt	4	1	0	8	15	12
Corpus Christi	3	1	1	7	15	15
Tupelo	3	2	0	6	31	17
Central Texas	1	1	2	4	13	11
Monroe	1	2	1	3	14	20
Lake Charles	1	4	0	2	17	37
Fort Worth	0	4	0	0	10	19

Western Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Amarillo	4	0	0	8	19	10
New Mexico	4	0	0	8	19	13
San Angelo	2	1	1	5	15	14
Lubbock	2	3	1	5	22	27
El Paso	1	3	1	3	16	21
Odessa	1	1	1	3	11	12

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; shootout losses earn one point and are referred to as ties.

Sunday's Game
San Angelo 4, Lubbock 3
Monday's Games
No games scheduled.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	4	2	1	0	9	25	20
New Jersey	3	2	1	0	7	25	19
N.Y. Rangers	3	3	0	0	6	20	20
N.Y. Islanders	1	3	2	0	4	17	19
Philadelphia	1	5	2	0	4	21	34

Northeast Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	4	0	3	0	11	29	16
Montreal	4	3	1	0	9	27	27
Toronto	4	3	0	0	8	14	16
Boston	3	4	1	0	7	21	28
Buffalo	2	3	1	1	6	20	23

Southeast Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	2	2	2	0	6	16	16
Washington	1	3	3	1	6	20	26
Tampa Bay	2	4	1	0	5	25	28
Florida	0	2	2	2	4	9	17
Atlanta	0	3	3	0	3	18	24

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	5	2	1	0	11	25	13
Detroit	5	3	0	1	11	24	21
Nashville	4	2	1	0	9	15	13
Chicago	2	5	0	1	5	16	27
Columbus	1	6	0	1	3	13	31

Northwest Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	6	0	2	0	14	28	12
Edmonton	5	2	2	0	12	27	23
Vancouver	5	2	0	1	11	29	24
Calgary	3	5	0	0	6	17	20
Minnesota	1	5	2	0	4	15	25

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Phoenix	6	1	1	0	13	29	18
Dallas	6	2	1	0	13	26	17
Anaheim	4	2	1	1	10	22	24
San Jose	4	2	0	0	8	17	13
Los Angeles	3	4	2	0	8	33	29

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Sunday's Games
Florida 0, Minnesota 0, tie
Tampa Bay 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
Detroit 2, Columbus 1, OT
Phoenix 3, Edmonton 3, tie
Monday's Game
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Panthers 0, Wild 0

Florida	0	0	0	0	— 0
Minnesota	0	0	0	0	— 0

First Period—None.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—None.
Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Florida 9-6-9-0—24. Minnesota 2-5-8-5—20. Power-play Opportunities—Florida 0 of 3; Minnesota 0 of 5. Goalies—Florida, Luongo 0-2-1 (20 shots-20 saves). Minnesota, McLennan 1-4-1 (24-24). A—18,064 (18,064).

Red Wings 2, Blue Jackets 1, OT

Detroit	0	1	0	1	— 2
Columbus	0	0	1	0	— 1

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Detroit, Gill 1 (Fedorov, Lidstrom), 4:34 (sh).
Third Period—2, Columbus, Heinze 2 (Sanderson, Wright), 19:01.
Overtime — 3, Detroit, Maltby 2 (Fedorov, Fischer), 2:02.

Shots on goal—Detroit 13-8-14-1—36. Columbus 11-16-18-2—47. Power-play Opportunities—Detroit 0 of 3; Columbus 0 of 4. Goalies—Detroit, Osgood 2-3-0 (47 shots-46 saves). Columbus, Tugnutt 1-4-0 (36-34). A—18,136 (18,136).

Lightning 4, Rangers 2

Tampa Bay	0	1	3	—	4
N.Y. Rangers	0	1	1	—	2

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Tampa Bay, Modin 5, 6:13. 2, New York, Leetch 1 (Messier, Graves), 18:32.
Third Period—3, Tampa Bay, Johnson 2 (Lecavalier, Richards), 1:45 (pp). 4, Tampa Bay, Modin 6 (Primeau), 2:13. 5, New York, Fleury 5 (Messier, Leetch), 7:20 (pp). 6, Tampa Bay, Modin 7 (Richards, Primeau), 13:20.

Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 8-8-6—22. New York 7-14-13—34. Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 1 of 8; New York 1 of 8. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Weekes 2-1-0 (34 shots-32 saves). New York, Richter 0-1-0 (22-18). A—18,200 (18,200).

Coyotes 3, Oilers 3

Phoenix	2	1	0	0	— 3
Edmonton	0	1	2	0	— 3

First Period—1, Phoenix, Tkachuk 5 (Roenick, Alatalo), 4:57. 2, Phoenix, Green 2 (Juneau, Doan), 10:30.
Second Period—3, Phoenix, Roenick 6 (Tkachuk, Green), 7:27. 4, Edmonton, Smyth 5 (Poti, Niinimaa), 11:37 (pp).
Third Period—5, Edmonton, Smith 1, 5:40. 6, Edmonton, Laraque 1 (Guerin, Marchant), 13:48.
Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Phoenix 5-6-3-1—15. Edmonton 12-13-12-2—39. Power-play Opportunities—Phoenix 0 of 2; Edmonton 1 of 4. Goalies—Phoenix, Esche 1-0-1 (39 shots-36 saves). Edmonton, Salo 4-2-2 (15-12). A—14,003 (17,100).

Pop Secret 400

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) — Results Sunday of the NASCAR Winston Cup Series Pop Secret 400 at North Carolina Speedway with finishing position, starting position (in parentheses), driver, type of car, laps completed, reason out (if any) and money won:

1. (21) Dale Jarrett, Ford, 393, $125,850,
2. (3) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 393, $81,300.
3. (13) Ricky Rudd, Ford, 393, $65,300.
4. (6) Jeff Burton, Ford, 393, $62,925.
5. (15) Rusty Wallace, Ford, 393, $50,875.
6. (17) Steve Park, Chevrolet, 393, $47,050.
7. (18) Tony Stewart, Pontiac, 393, $53,200.
8. (9) Ward Burton, Pontiac, 393, $50,900.
9. (35) Bobby Hamilton, Chevrolet, 393, $45,600.
10. (7) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 393, $4,950.
11. (14) Johnny Benson, Pontiac, 393, $39,550.
12. (26) Robert Pressley, Ford, 393, $32,725.
13. (11) Rick Mast, Pontiac, 393, $29,625.
14. (8) Mike Skinner, Chevrolet, 393, $40,025.
15. (29) Ricky Craven, Chevrolet, 393, $30,125.
16. (4) Bill Elliott, Ford, 393, $39,325.
17. (27) Dale Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 393, $46,625.
18. (19) Ken Schrader, Pontiac, 393, $30,525.
19. (39) Elliott Sadler, Ford, 393, $42,725.
20. (2) Bobby Labonte, Pontiac, 392, $50,525.
21. (36) Mike Bliss, Pontiac, 392, $27,350.
22. (33) Wally Dallenbach Jr., Ford, 392, $29,175.
23. (38) John Andretti, Pontiac, 392, $43,375.
24. (24) Kurt Busch, Ford, 392, $36,675.
25. (28) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 391, $36,775.
26. (25) Brett Bodine, Ford, 391, $24,775.
27. (12) Jerry Nadeau, Chevrolet, 390, $35,875.
28. (30) Andy Houston, Ford, 389, $24,375.
29. (1) Jeremy Mayfield, Ford, 387, $51,900.
30. (40) Scott Pruett, Ford, 386, $24,575.

National Football League

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	5	1	0	.833	112	51
N.Y. Jets	5	1	0	.833	125	103
Indianapolis	5	2	0	.714	202	153
Buffalo	3	4	0	.429	140	153
New England	2	6	0	.250	143	171

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	6	1	0	.857	145	97
Baltimore	5	3	0	.625	134	89
Pittsburgh	4	3	0	.571	121	78
Cleveland	2	6	0	.250	95	197
Jacksonville	2	6	0	.250	142	190
Cincinnati	1	6	0	.143	68	164

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	6	1	0	.857	192	128
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	188	147
Denver	4	4	0	.500	238	178
Seattle	2	6	0	.250	121	200
San Diego	0	7	0	.000	117	204

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East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	6	2	0	.750	149	115
N.Y. Giants	5	2	0	.714	120	105
Philadelphia	5	3	0	.625	181	110
Dallas	3	4	0	.429	174	174
Arizona	2	5	0	.286	121	210

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	7	0	0	1.000	184	137
Detroit	5	2	0	.714	143	134
Green Bay	3	4	0	.429	148	139
Tampa Bay	3	4	0	.429	164	125
Chicago	1	7	0	.125	110	202

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	6	1	0	.857	296	228
New Orleans	4	3	0	.571	131	117
Carolina	3	4	0	.429	144	116
Atlanta	2	6	0	.250	149	238
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Steelers 22, Browns 0

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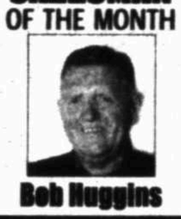
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2019 Trade Dr.- 689-7003
Reg. Meeting. 3rd. Thurs.
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Copper Daugherty, Pres.
Gary Anderson, Secty.

Centennial Lodge #1448
1600 W. Wall
Reg. meetings, 1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30 am.
Breakfast 7:30am
Wayne Reddin, W/M., Bob Ellwood, Sec.

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Order of Eastern Star
1600 W. Wall
95th Birthday Celebration October 24th, 2000
WM Verla Carpenter
WP Tom Carpenter

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1600 W. Wall
P.M. & Service Awards. Open Meeting. THurs. 10/26. Dinner 6 pm.
Paul M. Thompson, W/M
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Acacia Masonic Lodge#1414
1000 Upland
OPEN MEETING
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130 Personals

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150 Lost & Found

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200 Autos Domestic

LINCOLN 1991 CONTINENTAL, new transmission, brakes, radiator, etc. $4,900. 697-0668.

OLDSMOBILE 1995 Aurora. Leather, power everything, moon roof, CD changer, 82k, $9,995. 699-0288.

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DODGE 1989 ARIES- White, 4 cylinder, 4 door, 30K miles. Good condition! $1,000 obo. 570-6743.

DODGE 1991 STEALTH. white/ tan leather, loaded, low miles, all maintenance records. Must See. $6,950. 686-1857.

FORD 1993 THUNDERBIRD LX- Ground effects, leather wrap seats, new tires, silver blue, V6, 22mpg average, $4,950. 689-2123 after 6pm.

FORD 1994 Tempo. Automatic, all power, new tires, air conditioning, very clean, good condition, 77,000 miles. $3,850 negotiable. 684-3903, 689-1941.

FORD 1997 ESCORT- 4 door, fully equipped, well maintained. $4,950. 83K. Call Joe at 689-9838.

Jack Sherman Chevrolet, Mazda Sales & Service
4100 W. Wall, 694-9601

LINCOLN 1990 TOWN-CAR- All power, leather seats, quarter vinyl top, 79k, excellent condition. $4,150. Please call 682-1819.

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CADILLAC 1996 Eldorado ETC- Cinnamon, moon roof, Landau top, Bose stereo, 23k miles, mint condition. $24,500. Call 620-0661 or 563-4707.

PONTIAC 1994 SUNBIRD- A/C, AM/FM, power locks, 122K, 15K on rebuilt engine, new radiator. Asking $3,500. Call 520-5899 or 349-3686.

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PORSCHE 1976 9-11S. 66K. Tangerine red with black interior, excellent condition. $10,000. 699-1312 home- 683-0024 work- 559-4453 mobile. 4620 Andrews Hwy. (Midland).

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PONTIAC 1948 FOUR door, restoration project. Have all chrome and glass. Not running. $1,000. Call 687-3567.

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210 Autos Imports

TOYOTA 1988 Camry LE- 130K, loaded, excellent condition, 1 owner, $3,600. 688-0449.

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HONDA 1990 Prelude 2.0 SI, auto trans. $6,000, local owner, 684-3999, 631-0946.

MAZDA 1998 PROTEGE LX- Sedan, 5 speed, 16K miles, loaded. $11,500. 683-7728 days, 697-7175.

MERCEDES 1994 E320 Wagon. 3rd seat, loaded, CD changer, metallic, tan leather, 90k miles, great condition at great price $17,500- Below wholesale of 19K. 697-9786.

VOLVO 1997 850 T5. 25K miles, sunroof, leather, loaded, in excellent condition. $20,000. 684-9904 after 6 pm.

DODGE 1997 NEON Company Car. Highway miles- 69K, auto, air, cassette, maintenance records available. Contact Jaime 563-0254, 520-0322 after 5.

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MERCEDES 1995 SL500 One Owner, convertible with hard top, black with tan leather interior, 24,000 miles. $54,700. 522-1005, 557-7235, anytime.

MERCEDES 1999 CLK320- Red, 6,400 miles. Mint condition! 682-6681, after 6pm 520-2820.

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MERCEDES 1991 190E 2.6 liter- one owner, excellent condition 98K miles, new tires/ brake pads, $11,000. Call 520-5901 for information.

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TOYOTA 1985 Corolla SR5. Great gas saver! Runs good, standard, spoiler, grey, 2 door. $1,300. 520-4179.

TOYOTA 1999 Corolla, 5 speed, metallic gold, 4 door, 36,000 miles a/c, excellent condition, + 75,000 mile warranty, $11,500. 550-5582.

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215 Sport/Utility Vehicles

FORD 1996 Explorer, Eddie Bauer edition, loaded, 6 disk CD, leather, 71K, excellent condition, $13,900 obo 553-6051, 689-3021.

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311 Medical Help Wanted | 311 Medical Help Wanted

NEED IMMEDIATELY!!!

Respiratory Therapist for Director position. Prefer RRT, but will accept CRT with home care experience. Must be self motivated, hard working and have strong marketing skills. Will be required to be on call and travel to outlying areas. For more information call Jennifer at 570-7587.

316 Sales Help Wanted | 316 Sales Help Wanted

SALESPEOPLE NEEDED

Stanton & Big Spring Area

Do you have what it takes to sell? The Midland Reporter-Telegram is seeking neat & dependable persons to join our salesforce. Sales experience is helpful, but is not necessary. Potential to earn full time pay working just part time!

Matt Brown
687-8886

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320 Skilled Trades | 320 Skilled Trades

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- ✔ Full time position- Midland Area.
- ✔ Must read/ write English- Bilingual a plus.
- ✔ Opportunity for growth.
- ✔ Well organized, hard working, good communication skills with customers and front line employees.

Drug Test and Background Check required.
EOE
Fax resume (281)364-7439.

FUDDRUCKER'S

NOW ACCEPTING applications for all positions Most positions start at $6. Full and Part time positions available. Apply in person between 2 and 4pm Monday- Thursday- Midland Park Mall. No phone calls please.

★ HELP ★ WE'RE SWAMPED!

Earn $100 - $200 Cash Daily

Nationwide Company has full time positions. Our holiday seasons are incredible. We need 10 people for local routes. You must be over 18 with good driving record.

NO EXPERIENCE WE TRAIN

Company Vehicle Provided
Call Today
520-2530

HEAVY DUTY trailer off of Chevy Van 20' frame pull $20. Please call 520-2341.

INSURANCE OFFICE Part-time 1:00- 5:00. phone & computer skills necessary. Send resume to P.O. Box 4936, Midland TX 79704.

INVENTORY CONTROL position available with a local manufacturing company. Candidate must possess good computer skills and, analytical abilities. Some physical labor involved. Salary is $22,000 plus benefits. Send resume to: Box P-6088, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

MICHAEL'S CHARCOAL & Grill: Now hiring Fry Cook lunch and evening shift available. Apply in person only 9:30am or 5:30pm, 723 W. Wadley.

LET'S TALK AVON part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520–0119, Independent Rep.

LOCAL MOVING Company needs experienced Furniture movers. (915)553-1464.

NOW ACCEPTING applications for full time Warehouser. Apply at 3800 S. County Road 1276, Midland. Talk to Raul Ochoa.

NOW HIRING Delivery Drivers. Must be 18 or older. Apply in person- 427 Andrews Hwy., 4320 Andrews Hwy., 4400 N. Midland Dr., 2200 Wadley.

NOW HIRING Evening Salad Prep and Lunch Dishwasher. Apply in person at The Garlic Press, Oak Ridge Square, Wadley and Garfield.

NOW HIRING- Oil field supply store/ repair shop. Must have good driving record. Drug free. Small engine repair experience helpful. Company benefits. 682-7337

PINNER TRANSPORTATION is now accepting applications for experienced CDL drivers. Regional runs, minimum 3 years OTR experience. Clean driving record, Safety Bonuses, Vacation Pay, Medical Insurance, Drug Card, at least 25 years of age. Apply in person to Jack or Frank at 4915 West Industrial, Bldg #3, Midland, TX 79703. (915)689-6884- Office.

SUPPORT Counselor- Midnight shift- (2 positions). Salary $1,472/ month. Assist with group counseling and maintain a small client caseload. Other residential duties required. Facility is an Approved Clinical Training Institute for A/D trainees. Must have high school diploma and good driving record. Knowledge of alcohol/ drug abuse field is helpful. Apply Midland Court Residential Treatment Center, 215 W. Industrial Ave., Midland, TX between 8:00am- 5:00pm, Monday- Friday. Cutoff 4:00pm, October 27, 2000.

Pro Snips- Hair Stylist openings. Great pay. 1000 N. Midkiff. 520-9555/ 550-4696 ask for Betty.

RAINDANCE car wash is now accepting applications. Must be neat in appearance. Apply in person 1103 Andrews Hwy..

SAFE PLACE Has a part-time opening for Substitute Support Staff. Responsibilities include assisting clients, providing transportation and reception. Must be at least 23 years old, have a clean driving record and be available 4:00 p.m. to midnight, weekends and holidays. Pick up application at 1031 Andrews Hwy., Suite 310 (Western Building)- Midland.

TEAM TO Manage small apartment complex. Apartment and small salary for management and light maintenance duties. Send resume to: Manager, 405 Sunset, Apartment #5, Midland, 79701.

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EXCELLENT PART TIME INCOME

Turn your early morning hours into extra income.

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Apply in person at:
Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701
or call 688-2700

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Immediate position for full time employee. We are seeking individuals who possess a willingness to learn & grow. Qualified candidates will possess:

- High school diploma
- Collection experience a plus
- Clean driving record & be drug free
- Physically able to lift furniture & appliances

If you posses these qualities please apply today in person
RENT -N- Own
2909 N. Big Spring
Midland, TX
No phone calls please.

SEEKING THAT special person for our infant room, 7:30- 5:30, Monday-Friday. Experience working with infants in daycare required. Call 684-8270.

SONIC DRIVE IN

Now hiring carhops and cooks for all shifts. Immediate openings for day shift cooks and carhops. Apply in person anytime at: 1109 N. Midkiff or 4201 North Midland Drive locations.
School Schedules OK
Full or Part Time

STRONG Lead Maintenance; full time. Must be HVAC certified. Apply at The Clusters, 4415 Northcrest Drive. No phone calls please.

TAKING APPLICATIONS For experienced make ready and maintenance person, must have own tools & A/C Certified. Silver Creek Apartments. 2438 Whitmire.

THE SAN ANGELO Standard Times is seeking a carrier for the Midland area. Part time opportunities. Approximately $600 per month. Starting immediately. Call 1-800-588-1884, ask for Jeremy.

V.I.P Employment Services 686-9722 Industrial Workers needed. Long/ short term assignments.

VILLAGE CAR WASH & Village East is excepting applications for Car wash Attendants. Apply both places- 604 Andrews Hwy, 2300 North Big Springs.

WAL-MART SUPER-CENTER Midland. Taking applications for Temporary Christmas Help. Apply in Lay-Away.

WANTED PIZZA DRIVERS Great pay, flexible shifts. Call 685-5032. Leave message.

311 Medical Help Wanted

$100.00- $300.00 Nurse Bonuses!! * RNs: $25 to $45 * LVNs: $18 to $36 * CNAs $8 to $12. Medical/ Dental/ 401K/ Life.. Fax Resumes to 550-9398 NURSEFINDERS, 550-9399. E-mail us at NFOdessatx@cs.com & register to win a trip to CANCUN!!!

AVALON PLACE Adding on staff RN/ LVN needed all shifts. New pay rates. Good benefits. Apply in person 3800 Englewood Lane, Odessa.

DURABLE Medical Equipment Company needs Experienced Delivery Driver/ Equipment Tech. Must be bilingual and have clear driving record. Send resume to: Go West; 3952 E. 42nd, #242; Odessa, TX 79762

EXPERIENCED COOK, Terrace West Nursing Center has a current opening for an experienced cook to work in our nursing home. Experience in a nursing home helpful but not required. Will prepare specific meals as required by doctor. If interested, please send a current resume or contact: Terrace West Nursing Center, 2800 North Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

FAST PACED Crown & Bridge dental office in San Angelo, seeking experience Dental Assistant that is in good physical shape, with a pleasant smile. Excellent salary, 4 day week and great benefits. Fax resume to 915-944-0424.

FMC DIALYSIS Center, a national company, has an opening for a Registered Nurse and a Patient Care Technician in a fast paced clinic setting. Dialysis experience not necessary but strong medical background helpful. 10 hour shifts- 40 hour week. Benefits include: 5 weeks paid time off, 401K, education reimbursement, insurance and more. Applications taken 8- 10am and 1- 3pm. Dialysis Clinic, 1501 West 11th Place, Big Spring, TX, 79720. Attn: Director of Nursing (915)267-2903.

NOW HIRING E.M.T.'s all levels. Call Texas West Ambulance 570-4892 or fax resume to 520-2501.

LAB TECHNICIAN for molecular biology laboratory in Midland- Applicant should have at least a BS degree in Biology or experience in related field. Salary DOE. Flexible hours available. Box J-5001, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LAB/ X-RAY TECH Needed 40 hours per week in a busy clinic. Benefits. Please send resume to First Care 2310 West Ohio Ave, Midland TX 79701.

LVN NEEDED full time in a busy clinic, benefits. Send resume to First Care, 2310 West Ohio Ave, Midland TX 79701.

MEDICAL OFFICE Is seeking a full-time Insurance Representative for insurance verification, in house collections and customer service. Must be detail oriented, posses good phone skills, have computer experience and some insurance knowledge helpful. Resumes to: Box J-5005, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

Midland Dialysis Center accepting applications for RN and a patient care technician. Excellent salary and benefits. If interested fax resume to: 915-687-5008 or apply at 731 W Wadley Bldg K, Suite 130.

NEEDED NURSING Home Administrator - Midland area. Please send resumes to: Box P-6086, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

Nurses by Prescription now hiring all licensed nursing personnel. Flexible hours, competitive wages, travel required. Southplains area. Call toll free 1-866-NBP-FILL

Nursing Home Administrator

MSC Associates is a small non-profit corporation seeking a TX licensed administrator to manage Alpine Valley Care Center, Alpine, TX. If you are ready for change or challenge, send resume to 806-747-1632, or call 806-747-3447.

QUALITY ASSURANCE RN

needed for small non-profit corporation. Must have Long Term Care experience. Flexible schedule and must be willing to travel. Call (806)747-3447 or fax resume to (806)747-1632.

RESTORATIVE AID

Terrace West Nursing Center, has a current opening for a Restorative Aid, experience is a plus and must be Certified Nurse Aid. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 North Midland Drive, Midland, TX 79707.

RN- Full time, Ambulatory Surgery Center. Will train. No call, weekends or holidays. Also needed PRN RN/ LVN's. Send resume to WTASC, 4241 Tanglewood Ste. 103, Odessa Texas 79762.

RURAL HOSPITAL looking for person to do dictation and coding for medical records department. Box J-5003, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

SEEKING RECEPTIONIST for busy physicians office. Must have knowledge of medical insurance and the Medical Manager computer program. Must be able to handle busy phones, accounts receivable and scheduling appointments. Please fax your resume to (915)682-3570 Attn: Sandy.

VISITING NURSES OF Del Rio, Inc. is seeking a RN experienced in Medicaid, Primary Home Care and Community Based Alternatives programs. Good managerial skills a must. Same day travel required with use of company vehicle. Good benefits. Salary negotiable. Please send or bring resume to 306 South Bruce, S. or call 943-2753 for more information.

WEEKEND RN needed. Trinity Haven Healthcare. Apply in person 3203 Sage St..

312 Professional Help Wanted

3RD GRADE TEACHER. Degree required. Bring resume by Midland Academy Charter School, 1900 North Big Spring Street, Midland, TX 79705.

SELF-MOTIVATED energetic executive director for chamber of commerce in rural community. Economic development experience, computer/ internet skills a plus. Reply by November 30th, 2000. Send resume and references to: CNB, Attn: Kay Stewart, Chamber President, PO BOX 1089, Ozona, TX 76943. Salary based on experience. 915-392-3745.

BRANCH PRESIDENT

Growing and well capitalized $270 million independent bank with eight locations in Far West Texas is searching for a President for its $17 million branch in a rural community. Candidate must have a degree in accounting, finance or management and five or more years general lending experience. Excellent communication and organizational skills are a must. Bi-lingual preferred. Regulatory experience a plus. Compensation will be commensurate with experience and proven ability. Resumes accepted at johnb@netwest.com or WTNB Search, P.O. Box 2077, Pecos, Tx 79772.

INDEPENDENT OIL operator seeking full time oil and gas accountant experienced in joint interest billings, revenue distribution and general ledger. Must be experienced in using computers. Please send resume and salary requirements to Accounting Department, P.O. Box 2217, Midland, TX 79702.

LAB TECHNICIAN for molecular biology laboratory in Midland- Applicant should have at least a BS degree in Biology or experience in related field. Salary DOE. Flexible hours available. Box J-5001, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LEGAL ASSISTANT with land and estate planning experience, seeking contract work in your office or off site. Willing to perform research. Excellent organizational and secretarial skills. References. Competitive rates. Available November 1st. 699-5150; 631-6565.

Nationwide Manufacturer located in Odessa, TX has an opening for an accountant with minimum three years cost accounting and manufacturing experience. CPA a plus. **Box D-3013**, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

Richard Milburn Academy
Accepting applications for
Part-time Counselor
Please Call
522-7200 or 557-3366.

Richard Milburn Academy
Accepting applications for
Part-time Math Teacher
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522-7200 or 557-3366.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

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CHURCH RECEPTIONIST SECRETARY needed in Catholic Church. Send resume and references. Box D-3014, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

FRONT OFFICE clerk. Wait on walk- in and telephone customers, personable, typing and ten key skills, bookkeeping knowledge a plus, computer use for billing etc., Call 683-2777.

KELLY IS YOUR JOB Connection... To Quality Jobs! Call Kelly Services 689-9801

McCoy Myers has several positions available. Skills- 10 Key by touch, good communication and computer skills required. Banking experience a plus. Hours 8:00pm- 5:00pm and 5:00pm- 10:00pm. If interested, please fax resume to: 563-6239.

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OFFICE/ ACTIVITIES
Full time position. 5 hours office, 3 hours activities assistant, Knowledge of computers and 10 key needed. Apply in person.
Rockwood Manor
2000 N. Main

PART Time all around office help needed. $5.20 per hour. Apply 602 N. Baird, Ste 200, Midland.

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GARAGE SALES
Hidden treasures? Junk?
Recycle your unwanted items!
Call 682-6222 today. A friendly Classified Consultant will help you create an ad that gets results!

79701

3008 WEST OHIO, gallon canned foods, restaurant supplies, cheese sauce, refried beans, jalapeno peppers, soy sauce, vegetables, and fruits. Call 697-3390.

79705

The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

79707

LARGEST SELECTION ever in gently work children and maternity. Name Brands! Daisy's Children's and Maternity, San Miguel Square: Midkiff and Wadley.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

DON'T MISS OUT!
The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon.
Please be sure to call 682-6222, before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

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GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20.50

- ★ 7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
- ★ 2 Days
- ★ ■✔●♥ Stand Out Emblem
- ★ Garage Sale Kit (includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints. $6 Value!)
- ★ Package of Flavored Drink Mix (for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!)
- ★ $3 Off Classified Coupon (Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get $3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only $24.50!
Call 682-6222 Today!

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316 Sales Help Wanted

SALES ASSOCIATE

Part-time

Opening for 1 Part-time sales person to service both retail and wholesale customers. Must be dependable, mature and knowledgeable and/ or interested in home decorating and paint products. Some work history desired, preferably in related field. For details apply in person. No phone calls please.

Equal Employment Opportunity
M/F/V/D
2215 N. Midland Drive

SHERWIN Williams

EXPERIENCED SALES person, full time. Apply or mail resume to Darla Schwartz, Dinette Designs and Bar Stools, 1025 N. Midkiff, Midland, TX 79701. Smoke free environment

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

Earn $500 - $600 Weekly

Nationwide Frozen Food Company has 12 full time route positions available immediately. We work 12 hours a day and currently averaging $750 + per driver.

WE PROVIDE:
- On Job training
- Management Opportunities
- Company vehicle
- Bonus Program
- Great Family Atmosphere
- Big Weekly Paychecks

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2 years with a National Bank
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I made $75,000 last year selling Manufactured Homes.
Bilingual a plus.
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LICENSED AGENTS Needed $75,000 + per year. 915-522-1218.

"REX"

Rex is a leading electronic retailer (over 200 stores Nationwide) seeks motivated individuals to join our professional sales team. Experience not required. We offer benefits and opportunity for advancement

EOE
Interview 1:00- 5:00pm
Wed, Oct. 18, 2000
REX TV
4717 N. Midkiff
Midland, TX 79705
No phone calls please.

SUSIE'S SOUTH 40 Confections- Immediate openings at both Midland locations (on Wadley and on S. Lamesa Rd.) for full-time, inside sales, now through January 1. Some Saturday hours required. $6.50 per hour. Must apply in person, weekdays, 9 to 5, at 2801 SCR 1180 (Old Lamesa Rd.).



IMMEDIATE POSITIONS AVAILABLE

10 Salespersons are now needed to sell subscriptions to the Midland Reporter Telegram. Sales Season is us. Unlimited earning potential.
MAT BROWN
687-8886

318 Mgmt. Help Wanted

WE ARE CURRENTLY accepting resumes for a management opening in the food industry. Salary DOE with benefits. Fax to: 915-683-2132

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

GROWING SERVICE

Company looking for isolation tool technicians. Excellent wages and benefits. Contact Doug at (915)664-0372 or (915)332-9775

320 Skilled Trades

AREA MECHANICAL Contractor seeks Commercial HVAC Tech. Individual must be a self starter. Guarantee 40 work hours, 401K, Profit sharing. Medical Insurance Please send resume to: P.O. Box 5101, Abilene, TX 79608 or fax to 915-264-6389.

ENERGIZE YOUR FUTURE

Red Simpson, Inc., the largest power line contractor in the south central United States, is seeking Experienced Distribution Lineman for Electrical Pole Line Construction. We offer vacations, insurance, 401K, bonuses paid quarterly. Must have or be eligible for CDL. For information call (915)553-9782.

EXPERIENCED MAINTENCE Person needed, HVAC experience required, certification preferred. Greneral maintenance repairs including electrical and plumbing, good communication skills required. Bring resume to 115 W. Industrial, Midland County Detention from 8:00am- 5:00pm Monday thru Friday. Benefits. EOE.

IMMEDIATE AUTOMOTIVE Tech position open. Must be experienced.. Tools required. Apply 600 N. Weatherford, Midland, 685-1076.

MACHINIST NEEDED. Must have 3- 5 years of experience with engines lathes/ manual mills. API connection a plus. Apply in person DOWDCO, 8001 E. Business 20, Odessa.

TRANSMISSION REBUILDER Monday- Friday 8:00am- 5:00pm. Call 337-6711 for interview. Must have own tools. Salary depends on you.

WANTED INDUSTRIAL Electrician. Journeymen preferred. Send resume to P.O. Box 60480 Midland TX 79711 or fax to 915-563-1729.

336 Adult Care Providers

CARE GIVER/ COMPANION, I will live in and care for elderly. Experienced and references. 697-1733.

A & D SITTING Service. Affordable and dependable care for the elderly. 24 hour sevice! Call Joann 570-8142.

IN HOME Care, dependable, private, honest, low rate, 7 days a week. Call Lacy, 689-8748 between 9:00am- 5:00pm.

340 Child Care Needed

RESPONSIBLE, DEPENDABLE, Caring individual to care for 2 year old teacher's child. Prefer care in my home. 699-7541 after 5pm.

350 Business Opportunities

MAIL BOXES ETC.
Franchises for sale.
877-MBE-SALE
www.mbe.com

INTERNATIONAL COMPANY seeks PC users. Full training and paid vacations. $350 to $800 per week. 888-827-9733.

Attention Readers

Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract/ or giving out your credit card or bank information.

Get your Real Estate license quickly, short, day, weekend, evening classes. Southwest College 697-7277

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630 Houses Furnished
635 Condo/Townhome Furnished
640 Condo/Townhome Unfurnished
650 Mobile Furnished
655 Mobile Unfurnished
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ALL real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to indicate any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, age, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitations or discrimination.

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Residential rental locators are required to be licensed by the Texas Real Estate Commission (P.O. Box 12188, Austin, TX 78711. 1-800-250-8732 or 512-465-3960). www.hud.gov/hdiscrim.html.

600 Rooms for Rent

SHARE 3 bedroom, 2 bath, utilities paid. $325, $75 deposit. Need own bedroom furniture. 685-0165.

FURNISHED ROOM, handicapped/ regular,, with private entrance. Safe neighborhood between College & hospital. Call 683-2880.

604 Want To Rent

WANTED TO Rent or lease. Country property 2 to 3 bedrooms with fenced acreage for 2 horses. Mobiles OK. Need November 15th. Responsible tenant. 686-7989.

Let "Sure Sell" Work For You! Call 682-6222

605 Apartments Furnished

1210 WEST COLLAGE- Efficiency, pills paid, $275 monthly, $50 deposit. Inquire rear apartment D after 5.

ALL BILLS Paid, Furnished, 1 & 2 Bedroom, downtown, quiet complex. To see apartments call 682-3589.

610 Apartments Unfurnished

MOVE ON IN and see why we are so special. On our 1 & 2 bedrooms. $99 Deposit and no rent first month, also have 3 bedrooms. Call or come by Silver Creek Apartments, 2438 Whitmire, 687-0053.

MONTH TO MONTH, no security deposit, pay first month's rent and move in! 1, 2, & 3 bedroom townhouses with garages $389 to $589. Leisure Estates, 682-5622.

LAS COLINAS; Midland's foremost townhouses, behind the gate. 1, 2 & 3 bedrooms, $495 to $695. Open 3-6 pm except Sunday, 697-8770.

✔ ABBEY COURT Apartments. $25 Move In Special!!! All Bills Paid!! Large 1 & 2 bedrooms. 694-2549. HUD Welcome.

1101 WEST WALL Street Apartments 1 OR 2 bedrooms, from 195 TO 230. gas and water paid, free deposit. 661-1866.

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LARGE TWO bedroom apartments with vaulted ceilings and back yards. Let us help with your moving costs!! 682-3831.

CEDAR ELM Apartments: 2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 baths Townhome- 1,100 sq. ft. Stove and refrigerator furnished. All bills paid plus free basic cable. Bowie Elementary and Midland High School District. $450 per month. Efficiency apartments $325. 570-4611, 570-0842 and 664-2694.

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THORNWOOD Apartments Great prices, 1, 2, & 3 Bedrooms, Free Cable. Senior discounts. 682-5381.

NICE 2 BEDROOM, 1 bath duplex. Available October 1st. Refrigerator, washer and dryer, dishwasher, range, disposal, ceiling fans, fireplace, fenced yard, storage, carport, on cul- de- sac. See at: 4802 "B" Country Club. $440/ month. $500 Deposit. 683-5683.

REMODELED 2 Bedroom Apartment. Secure excellent area near downtown. Bills paid. Leave message 682-5798.

PATIO TOWNHOUSES, 1710 N "A". Ask about a free months rent. 1 Bedroom apartments & 2 bedroom townhomes. Gas & Water paid. Now open Saturdays 10:00am-4:00pm 682-4783.

ALL BILLS PAID: One and two bedroom apartments. 501 West Louisiana. Deposit required. Call 683-5161.

REMODELING SPECIAL!!

1 bedrooms at $200 per month! Hunters Ridge Apartments. 4201 Andrews Highway, Midland

LARGE ONE bedroom in secured courtyard, free basic cable, $265 monthly. 1/2 off first month's Rent! American Realty, 520-7577.

SANTA FE APARTMENTS

First Month Free
with Approved Credit
Call for details
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MARTY'S MARKETPLACE

Leading you to the best bargains in Midland and the area!

Do you need to get rid of some of your extra goodies around the house?

Don't want to spend a lot of cash?

*Marty's Weekday Special

3 Line Ad
1 Item Priced $300 or Less
Monday through Thursday ONLY
$4.00

Call or Fax Classifieds today to schedule your special Marketplace ad!

682-6222
Fax 682-6999

***Private Party merchandise ads only. 1 Item per ad, Price must be in ad to qualify. Other restrictions may apply, ask consultant for details.**

410 Miscellaneous Sales

BINGO, American Legion, 501 Airpark Road, Friday nights, games start at 8. Food, Refreshments. 682-5511.

COMPANION CRYPTS (2) in Resthaven North Mausoleum. $3,000 each obo. (806)793-6942 or (806)872-8348.

5 TO 6 person spa/ hot tubs, $59.00 a month. Delivery/ financing available. 915-563-3108.

DAMAGED 10'x20' workshop/ storage. Will Deliver. 915-563-3108.

TRAMPOLINE- 14 Foot round. Good condition! $50. 685-1361.

SALE OR TRADE 43 Acres of land. (12 miles east of Midland) For more information please call 940-454-9029.

CEDAR FENCE 50 feet for $35. For more information please call 697-7093.

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DRILL PRESS. Floor model. Craftsman motorized 15", 1 horse power, $145. 697-5033.

DOG HOUSES, new, $35 - $45. Metal storage building 4'x8' new, $350. Skateboard $10. 563-0452.

SPECIAL PURCHASE- 8'x10' and 8'x12' storage buildings $25.00 a month. Delivery/ financing available. 915-563-3108.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

GINGERBREAD HOUSE Makers Wanted for the Museum of the Southwest- Christmas at the Mansion contest. Win a cash prize of $300 or more! For information call 683-2882, ask for Cindy.

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420 Good Things To Eat

BRADEN SHRIMP Farms- Imperial, Texas. Farm raised fresh shrimp. We are harvesting! $6/lb with heads, $9/lb processed. Call (915)536-2552.

430 Household Goods

LARGE BELGIUM carpet, 14' x 8'- $285. 683-6822.

432 Household Furniture

NEW WHITE Metal day bed with bedding, $100. Two bar stools, $25 each. 699-5551.

SOFA, Love seat, coffee table, 2 end tables, plaques, 3 mirrors. Call 520-3716.

SOFA- 7', like new, $100. Set of sturdy bunk beds, very good condition, $100. 699-4307.

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SLEEPER SECTIONAL large, good condition, $500. Glass and metal coffee table, $175. Large barber area rug, $100. Oak entertainment center, $150. Health rider, $250. 687-4744.

SLEEPER SOFA, love seat. $250 obo. 694-6452 after 5:30, leave message.

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435 Household Appliances

WHIRLPOOL 19.9 cubic feet almond, no frost refrigerator/ freezer. $350 Please call 694-3487.

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435 Household Appliances

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440 Firewood

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LEE DISTRICT Townhouse, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, upstairs. Living area, kitchen, half bath downstairs. Washer/ dryer optional, 2 car garage, new paint and carpet, water paid, deposit $400, $750 monthly. 550-6498 after 5:00pm please.

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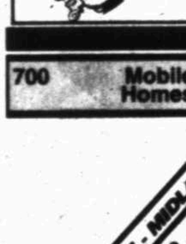
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NORTHWEST BRICK 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. 4712 Bedford, must see. Call 520-5873 or 634-8843.

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1902 WOODLAWN, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, ready to move in, neat starter home, $55,000. 683-2321.

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SPACIOUS, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, plus game room, and bonus room. Kitchen redone, newer a/c, electric filters and humidity control, in ground pool and sprinkler system, near schools and shopping. See at 3416 Michigan- For only $65,000. Contact Sharon at Langston, 685-0400 or 683-6004.

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GREENWOOD 3 bedroom brick, 2 bath, 2 living areas, 2 acres, newly remodeled, 570-7680/ 528-5253.

BY OWNER, 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 living areas, 2 fireplaces, computer room/ office, 3,000 square foot. 2.4 acres, Sky Ranch Addition, heated in ground pool and spa, 25'X60' shop, access to private airport. 9705 South County Road. 1213. $128,000. 682-2115.

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