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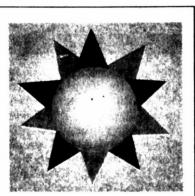
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#### **Evening under Stars** set for August 26

PAMPA - White Deer Land Museum Foundations is presenting its fifth annual Evening Under the Stars fund-raiser, Saturday, Aug. 26, on Cuyler Street, north of the railroad tracks.

An evening featuring brisket dinner with all the fixin's and a dance under the stars begins at 7 p.m., and will continue until 11 p.m.

Tours of the museum's newest exhibit, "As time goes by 1900-2000," will also be available.

Tickets are available from the museum at 669-8041, 665-4143 or from any Museum board member.

DENTON (AP) — Abuse and neglect of residents at Denton Development Center was accompanied by a management cover-up as well as incompetence and lack of training among staff members, according to a state agency's report.

Closing of the Denton Development Center followed a state investigation that persuaded Medicaid officials to discontinue payments to the institution, according to a Texas Department of Human Services report obtained by the Denton Record-Chronicle.

The report, obtained Friday, says that investigators found 13 deficiencies" during an on-site inspection Jan. 5 through Jan. 14 at the center. The report says the deficiencies caused immediate and serious threat to the health and safety of the center's residents.'

E.O. "Jack" Stroup, 84, services pending.

Dorothy Holcomb, 71, medical lab technician.

Sharon Wright Pitcock, 61, massage therapist.

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# **Chisum works** in Bush camp

### Legislator assists in campaign push

By NANCY YOUNG **Managing Editor** 

Getting George W. Bush elected the next United States



Rep. Warren Chisum

President is the objective of people, including Pampa's own State Representative Warren Chisum.

Chisum has even traveled with the presidential entourage to lend a hand to the Republican candidate's campaign.

Chisum.and his wife, Omega, traveled to Des Moines, Iowa, to man phone banks, attend caucuses to select the Republican presidential nominee from the state and provide assistance wherever they were needed.

"The campaign looks good," said Chisum. "If we're going to change the course of this country, it is extremely important for people to get out and vote in this election.'

One of Chisum's main issues in the campaign is to rebuild the military services, and he feels Bush would be the best candidate to restore the military.

He reported the careless handling of top secret materials at (See CHISUM, Page 2)



(Copyright photo by David Bowser)

Texas Governor and Presidential hopeful George W. Bush braved 80 degree temperatures and heavy humidity to walk the length of the parade route for the Belton Fourth of July celebration.

# Machine tech prepares students for future



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore) Machine Technology student Stephen McKinney center drills a piece of metal to create a shaft.

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

As one group of newly-trained machinists reaches certification, Clarendon College officials look forward to filling next year's machining technology class.

Phil Grant, program instructor, innounced two students - Stephen McKinney and Derek Weeks, both of Pampa – are scheduled to receive certificates of completion for the three semester program on Aug. 14. Registration has begun for the next class beginning Aug. 28. To register, call Clarendon College -

Pampa Center at 665-8801. The machining technology program at Clarendon College - Pampa Center is a locally-developed course which trains aspiring machinists for entry level positions paying from \$8.50 to \$9 per hour.

To date, the program has 100 percent job placement for those who successfully complete the year-long course, Grant

A group of Pampa business owners, and civic leaders comprised the steering committee that developed the program two years ago, Grant said. Committee members included Grant, Chuck White of

the Pampa Center Foundation, Bill Berry of Titan Industries, Les Howard of IRI International, and Don Johnson of Nickles Industries.

"The program is monitored and approved by (the committee) for industry in this area," Grant explained.

"I believe we've designed a good program for entry-level machinists added. "It takes time to make a fullblown machinist."

Because it is a state-certified program, those who complete the course earn certification when they finish, he said.

McKinney, 34, entered the program because, "I needed to learn a skill." A single father with two children, he said he has found the course "very challenging." "I really do like it. I didn't think it

would be this hard or as challenging," he said. "There's really a lot more to it. Weeks, 26, is also a single parent who

wanted to learn a skill so he could get a higher paying job.

He didn't know what to expect when he entered the program, though he had taken metal trades class while a student at Pampa High School, Weeks said.

He was surprised to find that the (See FUTURE, Page 2)



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore) Derek Weeks uses a vertical milling machine to bore a bushing as a Machine Technology class assignment.



Doyle Keeton, forklift driver, unloads the first load as Dennis Howard, High Plains Food Bank truck driver, assists in removing food items for Good Samaritan Christian Service's new addition.

## Good Samaritan opens new expansion

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By NANCY YOUNG

**Managing Editor** 

Good Samaritan Christian Services is growing to meet the increasing needs of local residents who have fallen on hard times, said John Norris,

A new building to store food and other needed goods was opened last week with a ribbon cutting. Located inside the new addition to the

building is a 15' x 20' walk-in cooler which will be able to store a much larger amount of perishable foods for the clients of Good Samaritan's.

The building was built with funding from the Amarillo Area Foundation, said Norris. Abell-Hanger Foundation of Midland also assisted and furnished an electric pallet mover for use to move the goods into areas of the building and the new freezer area.

(See EXPANSION, Page 2)

## It's official: **Local Bealls stays**

By NANCY YOUNG **Managing Editor** 

Bealls has received the official word that the Pampa store will not be closing.

Stage Stores, Inc., parent company of Bealls, filed reorganization proceedings in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Houston on lune 1 following a period of financial difficulty. While 20 percent of the apparel stores will close, none in the Texas Panhandle are affected.

Local store manager Kathryn Phillips said this morning she is very pleased the store is staying

"Our store is very profitable

and I didn't think we would close," she said. "But it's nice to have the official word."

She said none of the stores north of Amarillo will be closing. "We're delighted that we will

be able to keep most of our stores open and serving our customers. With our Stage, Bealls and Palais Royal stores, we have always been proud to bring brand-name apparel to families in communities across

America," says Jack Wiesner, chairman, interim CEO, and president. "Under our reorganization, we will be a stronger company, more focused on our customers."

(See BEALLS, Page 2)

## Police investigate assault

A Pampa man was being questioned by police today in connection with a fight early Saturday morning that left another man injured. Jason Samuel Shorter, 19, 837 E. Campbell, suffered a broken leg about 4:30 a.m. Saturday after being hit by a sport utility vehicle and

Officers said the people involved in the incident were apparently at an apartment in the 2600 block of North Hobart early Saturday morning when a fight broke out over a woman at the party.

Shorter and the man being questioned by police today reportedly went outside.

Officers said Shorter was struck by a 1994 Ford Explorer and

pinned against a Ford Taurus. Shorter was rushed to Pampa Regional Medical Center by Metro/Rural Ambulance where he was treated for a broken leg. Authorities estimated damage to the 1997 Ford Taurus at \$800.

# **Daily Record**

#### Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News by press time today.

#### **Obituaries**

#### DOROTHY HOLCOMB

Dorothy Holcomb, 71, of Pampa, died Sunday, July 23, 2000, at Amarillo. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of

Mrs. Holcomb was born June 10, 1929, at Eaton, Weld County, Colo. She graduated from Billings, Mont., High School in 1947 and attended Easton Montana State College in Billings. She had been a medical lab technician at the Deconess Hospital in Billings and had attended the Congregational Church in Billings.

She married Jim Holcomb on Feb. 27, 1953, at

In 1961, she moved to Pampa from Billings, and, in 1969, began working for the family business, Pantech Lab, Inc., serving as secretary-treasurer. She retired in 1994.

She was a past member of Order of the Eastern

Survivors include her husband, Jim, of the home; two daughters, Marci Holcomb of San Diego, Calif., and Lynne Moore of Pampa; a son, James S. Holcomb of Lubbock; and four grand-

The family requests memorials be to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, P.O. Box 190567, Dallas, TX 75219-0567; or to the Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, Pampa, TX 79065. **SHARON PITCOCK** 

CANADIAN — Sharon Wright Pitcock, 61, died Friday, July 21, 2000. Services were Sunday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Gary Jahnel, pastor of Mobeetie Methodist Church. and Donald Hill, of Canadian, officiating. Burial was in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of

Mrs. Pitcock was born Jan. 19, 1939, at Higgins, to Sidney Clinton and Annie Money Wright. She grew up at Glazier and attended school in Canadian. She survived the April 9, 1947, tornado in Glazier.

She married Carl Ray "Jasper" Snyder on Aug. 4, 1956, at Glazier; he died Feb. 3, 1966. She married Carrel Wayne Pitcock on Aug. 6, 1967, at

She lived in Lubbock and Pampa prior to returning to Canadian on April 8 of this year. She had been a registered massage therapist since 1995 and had worked for Outreach Home Health Services in Pampa and Lubbock for 12 years.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and volunteered at Abraham Memorial Home for more than 20 years, having helped the elderly since 1966.

Survivors include three daughters, Lina Ann 'Possum" Jahnel of Canadian, Eddie Parker of Woodward, Okla., and Jackie Swisher of Owasso, Okla.; a son, Jodie Pitcock of Lacona, Iowa; four sisters, Margaret Dowdy of Pampa, Joan Stovall of San Marcos, Mary Hart of White Deer and Sandra Griffin of Alvin; three brothers, Walter Wright, Jack Wright and Larry Wright, all of Canadian; and eight grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hemphill County Hospice, 1020 S. 4th, Canadian, TX

#### **E.O. (JACK) STROUP**

E.O. (Jack) Stroup, 84, of Pampa, died Sunday, July 23, 2000. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

#### **Fires**

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. todaý.

Saturday, July 22

1:28 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Hobart and Somerville streets.

3:56 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision seven miles east of Pampa on Texas 152.

11:08 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a standby for LifeStar helicopter at One Medical Plaza.

Sunday, July 23

12:03 a.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a standby for LifeStar helicopter at One Medical Plaza.

12:46 a.m. – One unit and three firefighters responded to a motorcycle accident in the 1800 block of North Wells.

9:33 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a report of gas odor in the 900 block of South Osborne. The odor was coming from a Cities Service plant on McCullough.

## Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, July 22

 A white Ford F-150 pickup was egged about 1:30 a.m. Saturday in the 1100 block of A missing child was reported from a residence

in the 800 block of South Gray. Failure to identify a fugitive from justice was

reported about 5:45 a.m. Saturday in the 200 block of West Brown. A Borger woman reported a simple assault

about 6:45 a.m. in the 700 block of North Frost. Sunday, July 23 An assault was reported about 4:15 p.m.

Sunday in the 800 block of North Nelson. An evading arrest report was made about 12:45 a.m. Sunday in the 1800 block of North Wells.

An assault causing bodily injury was reported about 12:15 a.m. Sunday in the 400 block of North

A simple assault was reported about 4 a.m. Sunday in the 400 block of North Nelson.

#### **Sheriff's Office**

Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, July 22 Dewayne Ray McBee, 27, Skellytown, was arrested by Pampa police on issuance of bad check charges.

Sunday, July 23 Michael L. Hinds, 18, 1138 S. Christy, was arrested by Gray County deputies on minor in possession of alcohol and possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

Vivian Botello, 17, 1000 S. Love, was arrested by Gray County deputies on possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana and minor in possession of alcohol charges.

Manuel Rodriguez, 26, Borger, was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers on driving while intoxicated charges. Ramio Ramirez, 24, 420 N. Cuyler, was arrested

by Pampa police officers on charges of assault on a family member causing bodily injury. Hector Gomiz, 29, Fort Worth, was arrested by

Gray County deputies on issuance of bad check charges. He was being held in Gray County jail today for the Immigration and Naturalization

David Rance Hext, 18, 328 Canadian, was arrested by Pampa police officers on traffic war-

Gregory Barnard Beard, 24, 418 N. Sumner, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of assault causing bodily injury.

#### **Ambulance**

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, July 22

1:23 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to Hobart & Somerville and transported two patients to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC). 3:47 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to U.S.

Highway 60 East. No one was transported. 5:10 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 800

block of West 25th and transported one to PRMC. 8:52 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Wells and transported one to PRMC. Sunday, July 23

8:32 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC. 9:53 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Wells and transported one to

12:39 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Love and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

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## Nursing home resident beaten to death

home resident is being held on charges of murder and aggravat- Health Services, which owns the assistant who was the first to ed assault after his roommate at a 155-bed center, declined to com- respond to an alert light outside nursing home was murdered, police said.

paraplegic, died at Parkland and Amador. Hospital this weekend, after being bludgeoned to death with a dresser drawer and a

Jose Amador, 53, Calahan's Center, was being held at Lew Sterrett Justice Center in lieu of \$150,000 bail.

Homicide detectives said they had not determined what led to a fight Saturday between the two men staying at the home.

Both patients were partially

DALLAS (AP) — A nursing paralyzed before the incident.

Officials with Integrated

The men had been roommates—with a cane, police said.

for less than two months.

Amelia Hillmon, the nursing ment on most aspects of the case the pair's room, was treated but said they were not aware of Saturday for a head injury she Elzie Calahan, a 54-year-old any problems between Calahan reportedly suffered when Amador allegedly struck her

## No charges to be filed in stabbing

Pampa police said today there would be no charges filed in a roommate at Professional Care Friday night stabbing that sent one man to the hospital.

Curtis Ray Nash, 31, of Guymon, Okla., suffered a cut to his left ear and neck along with scrapes and bruises to his arms, hands and legs

Officers said the cuts and bruises were apparently the result of a fight Friday night in the 1100 block of Varnon.

Police said they were called to the Pampa Regional Medical Center Friday night where Nash was being treated, but Nash said he did not want to press charges.

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## CHISUM

Los Alamos was unconscionable. He said he found it unbelievable that the secret documents were not more highly regarded.

"Our country is strong only as long as the military is strong," said Chisum. He said the military of old needs to be developed into a more highly technological military force. He expressed the need for more high tech planes.

He said Bush would be the person who would want to up the pay of members of the military. "We need to have people who

would no longer be a world else," he said. He said the econo- some.

want to be in there," he said.

Chisum said if Bush is elected

become during the past eight issue.

Asked whether he thought the current controversy surrounding capital punishment in Texas would hurt Bush in the November election, Chisum said the media coverage has made people sit down and decide where they are on capital punishment in the state,

He said people need to understand the Texas Constitution only allows the governor one time to and parole commission.

police force as he said they have my is an issue, but not the only

Chisum has also helped the Bush campaign in South Carolina. He said he worked with members of that state's legisla-

ture while he was there. "We're very fortunate to have been able to help in the campaign," he said. "We'll be working some more as we're still on the list for swing states. When they call, we'll go where they need us."

In the meantime, the local state stop an execution for 30 days. legislator has Bush bumper stick-After that, it is up to the pardon ers, campaign buttons and other campaign materials at his office. "It's like pro-life and guns, He is happy to share them with president the military forces next month it will be something anyone who would like to have

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## **FUTURE**

course was fun, he said.

"We try to keep it that way," Grant said. "We try to keep a good atmosphere.

"There's plenty of jobs out there when I get out," Weeks said, adding that he especially wanted to earn the machining technology certificate.

To get a good job any more you have to have a piece of paper saying you know what you think you're doing," he said.

Grant said McKinney and Weeks have good prospects for employment as soon as they complete the program in August.

"I've already been asked how many (machinists) we have coming out," he said. At a recent conference, Grant learned that approximately 45,000 machinist jobs are available in the United States. These skills are needed not

U.S., in the manufacturing of all types of oil field equipment, offshore oil rigs, satellites, and tanks.

machining, identifying metals, sawing, grinding and sharpening; lathes, mills and drills; blueprint reading, instrumentation, mathematics and weld-

"Anyone who is mechanically inclined and who likes to work with their hands are probably best suited for this work," Grant said.

"No women have gone through at this point, but it's certainly not gender-oriented," he added.

"One of the best hands I had at IRI was a woman," said Grant, who previously worked as a machine shop superintendent for IRI International. Total cost of the course is approximately \$2,400. Although it is late in the year, Grant said some scholarships may be available.

Machine technology classes meet five days a week from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"It could differ according to class size," Grant

Students work in a lab at 1333 N. Price Road only locally, but by top companies throughout the filled with state-of-the-art equipment.

"The lab is set up just like you would see in a machine shop," Grant said. "We've got all new Topics covered through the course include machines with digital readouts."

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## **EXPANSION**

Norris said the local group has received numerous fresh fruits and vegetables free recently and now there will be more since Good cents a pound for the perishable ty.

Trucks from the food bank in from the Lutheran Brotherhood to tance.

Amarillo began delivering all types of additional food to the new Thursday.

Mayor Bob Neslage participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremony Samaritan's has the large refriger- and commended the volunteers ated area to store the produce. He for their long devotion to helping said usually the group must pay 14 the less fortunate in the communi-

Norris for the local agency's needs. Manned by local volunteers, building of the local agency Good Samaritan Christian Services is located at 309 N. Ward Street. Clothing, baby needs and necessary household items are also available for those who need it.

Reed Echols of the local agency said the need is growing in Pampa as they have seen an increase in the Bob Lemke presented a check number of people seeking assis-

## Pampan arrested in domestic assault

A 24-year-old Pampa man was block of North Cuyler.

Sunday morning following the woman suffered bruises.

in Gray County jail today in lieu Pampa police officers said a 35- member causing bodily injury of North Cuyler called authorities shortly after midnight Cuyler, was arrested early been beaten. Officers said the

of bonds totaling \$2,000 in con- year-old woman in the 400 block and failure to identify himself to Gray County Justice of the

charged with assault on a family

Ramio Ramirez, 24, 428 N. Saturday to report that she had Peace Bob Muns set bond for Ramirez at \$1500 on the assault charge and at \$500 on the failure to identify charge.

## report of an assault in the 400 Ramirez was arrested and 'The View' cancels O.J.'s appearance

By DAVID BAUDER **AP Television Writer** 

NEW YORK (AP) - Loud cheers from a studio audience greete<u>d</u> Barbara Walters' announcement Monday that she has canceled a scheduled appearance by O.I. Simpson this week on her syndicated talk

show, "The View." Several viewers, members of the show's production staff and all four of her co-hosts had told her they were uncomfortable having Simpson as a guest, she

"Mr. Simpson will not appear on our program," Walters said. Simpson's appearance, scheduled for Wednesday, was to promote his participation in a twohour Internet "chat" session on Thursday where members of the public can pay a fee to ask him questions.

Simpson was acquitted of murder in a criminal trial but was found liable in a subsequent civil trial for the 1994 deaths of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald million.

Walters said she and her coexecutive producer, Bill Geddie, made the decision to cancel the

ences of opinion among us - we Cuyler.

can't stop it and indeed we love it - there was more serious concern about having Mr. Simpson on the program from all of you at this table," she said.

She was surrounded by her co-hosts, Meredith Vieira, Joy Behar, Star Jones and Lisa Ling. Vieira joined in the audience's cheers by pounding the table after Walters' announcement.

Behar chose to make a joke: "As Johnnie Cochran says, if the guy's a schnook, you must

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Of the 591 existing stores, 471 will stay open. In a number of communities that have been served by more than one of the company's stores, there will be stores consolidated for more efficient operation.

The company has received approval for a three-year, \$450 million debtor-in-possession credit facility with CITICORP USA, Inc. as agent. According to a news release from the company headquarters, the new arrangement will provide a significant line of credit the compa-

ny is using to restock its stores. Phillips said the local store employs 17 people.

## City Briefs

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will be in Pampa with Sweet corn Wed. & Sat. at 7:30 a.m. until sell out, weather permitting. MK Brown parking lot. 806-966-5221.

**BECKY WIECK** from Etter

GOING OUT of Business 75% Goldman. He was ordered to off storewide. Doors close July pay the victims' families \$33.5 28th. Youree's Jewelry, 508 N. Main, Borger.

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Christine: longhaired calico cat, dark w/fuzzy tail, no tags, name: Motley. Reward. Call 665-8810. LOWELL'S BLUE-STUFF Pain

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#### Sunday was 90 and the Weather focus

PAMPA - Sunny today with a high in the mid 90s. Mostly cloudy tonight with a low in the upper 60s and winds from the south at 10 to 20 mph. Tuesday, a rugged respite for parched Plains and Central and partly cloudy with a 20 percent Central and Southeast Texas. chance of thunderstorms and a high in the mid-90s. Tuesday the state overnight as tempera- to top out in the 90s by and

overnight low, 65.

STATE - A return to sunny, hot weather was expected

Skies were mostly clear over low in the upper 60s. High seeing 60s.

The Monday afternoon forecast promised sunny skies and warm-to-hot temperatures, but with a slight chance of late Monday after strong thunder- afternoon and evening thunderstorms and heavy rains offered storms in the Panhandle, South Southeast Texas.

Temperatures were expected night, mostly cloudy with a 40 tures fell into the 70s, with the large, but with 100s in West percent chance of showers and Panhandle and South Plains Texas and along the Rio Grande.

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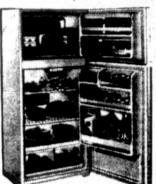
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## Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON . Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER Tralee Crisis Center will offer Volunteer Training for people interested in working with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crime victims. For more information, call Diane Wells at 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD.

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is extending clinic hours in Pampa. The clinic is now open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A. Special evening hours until 6 p.m. are available by appointment. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving coordinator, at: Texas Folklife Resources, 1317 South Congress, women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

**ALTRUSA STYLE SHOW** Pampa chapter of Altrusa Club International is hosting it's eighth annual Style Show at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 5, in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 per person. Tickets can be bought from any Altrusa member or at the door. Proceeds go to help fund local charitable organizations supported by the Altrusa

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Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m., July 27, at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. Freddie Seaman of Perryton will present a trunk show on "Wearable Art." Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (806) 779-2115.

FLEA MARKET FUND-RAISER

A "Community Wide Flea Market" is slated from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, July 29 at the Miami Events Center (Old Bartlett Building) on Hwy 60 in Miami. Proceeds from the flea market will benefit the City of Miami-Bartlett Fund. A variety of booths will offer many items for sale including furniture, books, music, appliances, tools, clothing and other odds and ends. Vehicles and large items are welcome. Indoor and outdoor booth space is still available. For booth information, contact Diane, (806) 868-5021, or Carole, (806) 868-4271. PEACE FARM

The Peace Farm in Amarillo will be sponsoring a Garage Sale Aug. 10-12, a photo exhibit with Alan Pogue beginning Aug. 2 and a sale or for more information regarding these upcoming events, call (806) 335-1715.

**GREEN THUMB** Green Thumb is launching a search to identify and recognize outstanding employers of America's senior workers. GT will honor three outstanding employers representing small, medium and large businesses during its National Prime Time Awards activities Oct. 3-6 in Washington, D.C. The deadline for nominations is July 30. Details and on-line applications are available at www.primetime2000.org. Eligibility criteria: 1) employers who hire older workers 65 and over for 20 or more hours of paid employment per week at minimum wage or higher (this does not include older workers whose employment is subsidized through local, state or federallyfunded programs); 2) nominations for affiliates, franchises, partnerships and divisions should be consolidated and submitted through corporate headquarters if possible; 3) business size - up to 50 employees (small), up to 1,000 (medium), and over 1,000 (large); 4) winners must be willing and able to travel to Washington for the 2000 event. Applications may be mailed to (if not submitted on-line): Diane Long, Green Thumb, Inc., 2000 N. 14th St., Suite 800, Arlington, VA 22201.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents

diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4:30 p.m., July 19, Family Health Care, 600 W. Kentucky, Pampa; 12-4 p.m., July 24, City Hall, Canadian; and 12-2 p.m., July 20, Miami School, Miami.

TFS APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Texas Folklife Resources is currently accepting applications for its Apprenticeship program. The Apprenticeships in the Folk Arts program encouraged the continuation of Texas traditional arts by providing master artists funds for training qualified apprentices. Texas traditional arts or folk arts are those art forms learned informally, often passed from generation to generation. Deadline for application Austin, TX 78704; or call (512) 441-9255.

**NATURE HIKES** 

Palo Duro Canyon State Park will offer several nature hikes throughout the month of June. The following hikes are scheduled: 9 a.m. July 15, "Wildflower Safari," at Paseo Del Rio trail head; 9 a.m., July 8, "Botany Basics," and July 29 nature hike, both at Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail; and 9 a.m., July 22, Sunflower Trail hike, Sunflower Trail. Each hike will begin at 9 a.m. Participants are urged to bring water, a hat, bug spray and good walking shoes. For more information, call the park at (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

HERITAGE FEST

Lake McClellan will host "Heritage Fest" Sept. 23 at the lake. The event will feature performers and displays.
COUNTRY DOCTOR AWARD

Staff Care, Inc., is seeking nominations for the 2000 Country Doctor of the Year Award. Nominees will be judged on the following criteria: Scope of care; continuity of care (nominees must have served their communities for a minimum of five years); rural location (communities of 25,000 or less); and dedication. For nomination

forms or for more information, call 1-800-685-2272 HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer. Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: July 28, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, and Aug. 14, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Hiroshima anniversary observance. To donate items to the garage Foster, Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

CLARENDON COLLEGE

Clarendon College is accepting applications for its Licensed Vocational Nursing Program of the 2000-01 school year. Early applications are encouraged to insure prospective students get a place in the fall class. Students may attend nursing classes on either the Clarendon or the Shamrock campuses. For an application, contact CC (806) 874-3571. For more information, call Director Vickie Moore on the CC campus or 1-800-687-9737.

**PALO DURO PIONEERS** 

Palo Duro Canyon State Park will offer a "Palo Duro Pioneers" children's program from 2-3 p.m., July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 at the Interpretive Theater. Topics will vary weekly and may include plants, wildlife, geology and history. Parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-

rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem-solving skills, good relationships with older people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Price, regional Ombudsman, or Shirley Sheldon, Ombudsman Program Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or

SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAM

write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX, 79105.

Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to Careers" project for high school students interested in union apprenticeship programs. To learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored apprenticeship training programs, contact the local Texas Workforce Commission or call (512) 470-0918.

American Intercultural Student Exchange is a non-profit educational foundation seeking local host families for high school foreign exchange students for the 2000-01 school year. The students, which come from 25 countries throughout the world, live with American families and attend local high schools during their 10 month exchange. Host families provide the students with a place to sleep, meals and a family atmosphere. For more information, call 1-800-SIBLING or visit AISE website, www.aise.com.

Hosting a high school exchange student in August 2000 is like bringing the world to your doorstep. U.S. Government sanctioned, CSIET listed non-profit educational organization is seeking families of all types; retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples. Students will be arriving from various counties, ALL of whom speak English. You can choose a male or female between the age of 15 and 18. You will have the support of a LOCAL Area Representative with you throughout the exchange. Students arrive sometime in August (depending on when school starts). Your new son or daughter will attend your local high school for either 5 or 10 months. All students have their own medical insurance. As a host family, you agree to provide room and board and to include your student as a member of your family. For information, contact Joyce toll-free at 877-846-5848.

Pacific Intercultural Exchange is seeking host families for foreign exchange students. The students, age 15-18, have spending money and carry accident and health insurance. PIE reps match students with host families through an informal in-home meeting. Host families may deduct \$50 per month for income tax purposes. For more information, call 1-800-631-1818.

# **PFAA display**

(Community Camera photo by Judy Elliott)

Artwork created during Pampa Fine Arts Association's Summer Arts Program will be on display at Lovett Memorial Library throughout the month of July. The exhibit consists of selected items made by students participating in the summer art classes.

## Coupons of Hope to help fund cancer research

New Mexico and West Texas has launched the second installment of the Coupons of Hope program to raise money for crucial cancer research and treatment at the City of Hope National Medical Center and Beckman Research Institute and at the City of Hope-Samaritan Bone Marrow Transplantation Program at Good Samaritan Hospital in Phoenix, Ariz. Consumers can do their part to help save lives by redeeming a "Coupon of Hope" at participating grocery

Consumers can find Coupons of Hope in participating gro-cery stores, including Albertsons, Safeway, IGA, Furr's and Raley's Supermarket and Drug Centers. The coupons will offer shoppers savings of over \$10 on name brand prod-

"Some of the most groundbreaking research for cancer and other diseases is happening at City of Hope. Coupons of Hope is the perfect way for New Mexico and West Texas residents to support this lifesaving mission," says Tom Dahlen, president of Furr's. Every coupon helps fund the invaluable research and compassionate patient care at City of Hope that is making a difference in the lives of millions."

The Coupons of Hope program in New Mexico and West.

Grocery stores throughout Texas is an expansion of last year's campaign that raised more than \$2.3 million throughout Southern California and Arizona. Like last year, "Coupons of Hope" consists of three installments.

Coupons of Hope represent the ongoing support of the Arizona Food Industries Circle for City of Hope, a major force in supporting research and treatment programs at City of Hope. The Arizona Food Industries Circle is represented by more than 800 industry leaders comprising virtually all of the major retailers, manufacturers and brokers serving the Arizona community. In 1999, the group raised more than S900,000 for City of Hope. Since the Arizona Circle's founding nine years ago, this dedicated group has raised more than \$2 million for patient care and groundbreaking research.

The City of Hope National Medical Center and Beckman Research Institute, a National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center, is one of the world's leading research and treatment centers for cancer and other serious diseases, including

STREET PARTY August 5th

10:00 am - 4:00 pm Downtown Pampa

diabetes and HIV/AIDS.

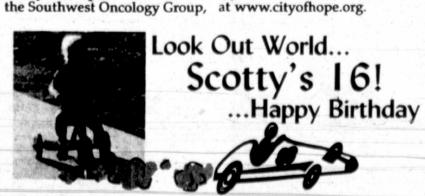
The work conducted at City of Hope is shared with medical tions throughout the southwestcenters worldwide, touching the lives of millions of people everywhere, including New Mexico and West Texas.

The City of Hope-Samaritan Bone Marrow Transplantation Program is a unique partnership between the City of Hope National Medical Center and Beckman Research Institute, the Los Angeles, Calif.-based research and treatment center that is a pioneer in BMT treatment and one of the largest providers of BMT in the world, and Samaritan Health System, Arizona's largest provider of health care services. The program provides world-class BMT services for Arizona patients within their community, allowing them to be closer to their how you can support City of family and friends throughout their treatment.

a cooperative research group comprised of member instituern United States whose mission is to make progress in the prevention and cure of cancer through clinical trials and basic science research.

Among its many responsibilities as a member of this group, City of Hope is charged with performing cytogenetic studies for the SWOG Leukemia Biology/Leukemia Pathology Committee, which seeks to better understand the causes and nature of leukemia and how to effectively combat the disease. This has lead to close collaborative efforts between City of Hope and the University of New Mexico Cancer Research and Treatment Center.

For more information about Hope's lifesaving research and treatment programs, call 1-800-City of Hope is a member of 260-HOPE, or visit the website



Love... Dad. Mom. Shane. Steven & Jonna

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of five siblings. There is a large age gap between my older siblings and me, and quite frankly, despite the fact that I am now a 38-year-old physician, they seem not to take me

My problem is that my family members insist upon calling me while I am at work. I am a surgeon, and although you might find this hard to believe, these folks think that because they are "family" it's OK to contact me at any time during the day. I have tried to explain that I need to focus on my patients during office hours, but they continue to call, write and send packages to me at the office.

I have instructed my staff not to interrupt me and to inform any family member who calls that I prefer to be called at home, unless there is a life-threatening emergency. My father and oldest brother have actually been rude to my staff and have later chastised me for my policy. Every member of my family has my home address and telephone number, but the behavior continues. Complicating the matter, my family has never cared much for my beloved wife of eight years, whom they have wrongly accused of not passing on messages.

What steps would you take to remedy this behavior? My family members read your column, so your response would be greatly

TROUBLED IN TACOMA

Horoscope

TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

5-Dynamic;

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

★ ★ ★ ★ What felt like a problem yester-

day opens up today. A change in per-

spective allows you to say yes. Another

encourages you to let go and indulge.

The question remains: Why not? A rela-

tionship adds merriment and excitement.

Schedule some time with this person.

makes sense. Act on a suggestion, but

add your own style and personality. Curb

a tendency to go overboard, especially

with family and domestic matters. Others

react unexpectedly, especially a boss. Do

you need more freedom at work?

\*\* Be of the mind and not of the

word right now. Explore options. Listen

counsel as you make judgments about

what others are thinking. Your sense of

humor might go wild, but be discreet

about what you say. Tonight: Take a walk

\*\* \* \* \* You might be bewildered by

Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

and think

\* What another said suddenly

4-Positive;

DEAR TROUBLED: I don't



SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

blame you for feeling annoyed. Despite your considerable achievements, your parents and siblings still regard you as the baby of the family who should be available to them at the drop of a scalpel. That you have a medical practice to maintain is less important to them than immediate gratification. Since your requests to receive personal calls at home are ignored, instructing your staff to protect you is about the best you can

P.S. Perhaps if you returned their calls promptly, your wife would not be blamed so often for failing to relay phone messages.

DEAR ABBY: My family needs your help to solve a serious problem that is causing hard feelings. My wife's cousin, who is from a middleclass family, is being married this summer. He and the bride are planning a large wedding, and we were told the invitations will state

guests own formal attire, and family members feel the dress code is rude and inconsiderate. It creates an expense we should not have to bear to attend the wedding. I also need to know if we will be

Abby, very few, if any, of the

expected to purchase a gift for the couple if we go to the expense of buying formal attire. It seems to us that our presence in expensive formal attire should be present enough. What should the family do about attending the wedding with this restriction on the attire of the

IN OVERLAND PARK, KAN. DEAR CONFUSED: The cost of attire is not a substitute for a wedding gift. If you rent or buy formal wear and attend, you should stretch your budget far enough to get the couple at least a token gift. However, if attending a formal wedding will create a financial hardship, send the couple your very best wishes on this happy occasion, along with your regrets for skipping the ceremony.

DEAR ABBY: The item in your column, "You know you're getting older when ...," prompts this letter. This really happened to me:

You know you're old when your doctor is the same age as your grandchildren. What a wake-up call

that was!

BRIAR MC CUTCHEON. PORTLAND, ORE.

\*\*\* Dig into work, applying insights from key associates. Calls and each of you. Create greater security and news from a distance overwhelm you, but they put a smile on your face. Unexpected news proves to be enlightening. Bone up on your communication skills, adding a touch more diplomacy. Tonight: Work only as late as you need

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* \* You might be more vested in a partner's reaction than you realize. he does express an interesting point of Take a step back and look at what is going on. Creativity allows you to work your way through a difficult spot. Use \* ★ ★ ★ ★ Make calls. Don't settle for caution with finances, because a wild

quick action allow another to feel safe tion differently than you do doesn't mean he is right. Work on finding a compromise. Professional relationships benefit. Don't pull out and refuse to deal with \* \* \* \* A boss overwhelms you with another. Stay in for the long term. Let others build confidence in you. Tonight: Buy flowers on the way home PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\* \* You feel like a communica-You easily become overloaded. A new friend has many fun suggestions that distract you. Block non-work-related e-mail at work. You know you have a tendency on present projects. You might need to toward distraction. Tonight: Browse through a favorite store on the way

Actor Matt LeBlanc (1967), football player Walter Payton (1954), actor Walter Brennan (1894)

"formal attire." another see eye to eye. Often, even the same word means something different to

understanding step by step. Tonight:

Make an important meeting. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \* ★ ★ ★ Take charge where others back off. What your mind keeps telling you about a work-related matter is right on. Your ebullient personality draws others, but it sometimes adds too much play to the office setting. A partner acts up, but

view. Tonight: In the limelight. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) what you are being told. A meeting card follows you. Tonight: Enjoy a partdirects your focus. Let go and scratch a ner. plan or project that won't work. Why AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) bother to continue? Your flexibility and \*\* Just because another sees a situaabout your abilities. Tonight: Rent a

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

ideas and directions. Pace yourself, with an eye to getting the job done. Be more aware of how much you do to please a key associate or partner. He actually drives you, in a sense. A child rebels, tions satellite since so much is going on. despite your appeals. Tonight: Dinner for to others' suggestions. Keep your own

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\* \* \* \* News casts a whole new light regroup. Explain to a family member that you will have less time than you had anticipated. Bosses reward you for overtime and a job well done. Ask for what BORN TODAY you want. Tonight: Much to do and so lita partner, but a conversation helps you

clear the air. Discussions help you and SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

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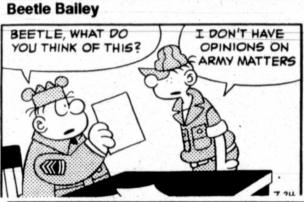
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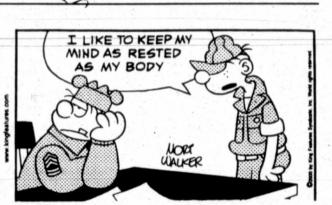


JEREMY, IT'S SARA ... ) LISTEN, MY CELL PHONE BATTERY IS ABOUT TO DIE BUT I QUICK WANTED TO TELLYOU THAT EVERYBODY IS GOING TO MEET AT->

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Haggar The Horrible



**Peanuts** WELL, I DON'T KNOW





**Blondie** 







**Mallard Filmore** APPARENTLY USED THE PEJORATIVE OSCIBILITY A MAN APPRESTED TERM "PRUNES" THAT HE FOR STEALING FRUIT INSTEAD OF THE COULD BE FROM A VENDOR NOW-PREFERRED PROGECUTED N THE ADAMS IBRM "DRIED UNDER THE MORGAN AREA DISTRICTS HATE-CRIMES

## Crossword Puzzle

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#### By THOMAS JOSEPH **ACROSS** 2 Swiss 1 Zero canton 3 Obtained 6 Jeans 4 Fast

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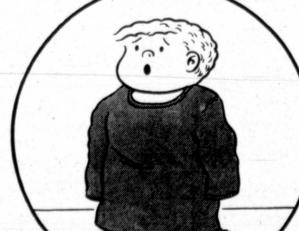
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For answers to today's crossword, call 1-900-454-7377! 99¢ per minute, touch-tone/rotary phones. (18+only.) A King Features service, NYC.





"Is this baggy sweatshirt in style, or is it just too big for me?

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## SPORTS

## Notebook

**FOOTBALL** 

PAMPA — Head coach Dennis Cavalier and the Pampa Football Booster Club said in a news release that they wished to remind supporters of Pampa football that the booster club is only associated with Billie Dixon of Great Texas Sports as a calendar or poster advertising person. Proceeds from advertising with Dixon will go directly to the football pro-

#### **AUTO RACING**

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) Juan Montoya and Michael Andretti were in a world of their own over the last 17 laps of the Michigan

Lap after lap, the former CART FedEx Series champions dueled wheel-to-wheel at speeds up to 225 mph Sunday on the 2-mile, highbanked Michigan Speedway oval.

Nearly 50,000 people in the grandstands were screaming and there were nine other cars on the track, but only those two existed in their world over those final laps of one of the most spectacular 500-mile races in open-wheel history.

In the end, Montoya won by 0.040 seconds - less than a car-length and the third closest finish in CART histo-

#### **GOLF**

GURNEE, III. (AP) -Karrie Webb closed with a 1over-par 73, and her 6-under 282 total was good for a fivestroke victory at the U.S. Women's Open.

The victory gave Webb the points she needed to qualify for the Hall of Fame. All she needs now are 10 years on the LPGA Tour. She will be eligible for induction after ne 2005 season.

Webb, has won three of the last four major championships. She needs only the LPGA Championship to complete the career Grand Slam. She has won 21 times in 4 1/2 years on the LPGA

Webb won \$500,000, the largest prize ever in women's golf. Meg Mallon (74) and Cristie Kerr (70) tied for sec-

ENDICOTT, N.Y. (AP) -Brad Faxon shot a 4-underpar 68 for an 18-under 270 total to edge Esteban Toledo (69) by one stroke and win the B.C. Open for the second straight year. Faxon became the first repeat winner in the tournament's 28-year history. It was his seventh career victory on the PGA Tour.

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) -Gil Morgan shot a 6-underpar 66 to cap off a tournament record 17-under 199 that gave him a four-stroke victory over Bob Murphy (70) and Bruce Fleisher (66) in the Senior PGA Instinet Open.

#### BASKETBALL

NEW YORK (AP) - In perhaps Cynthia Cooper's last regular-season game at Madison Square Garden, the Houston Comets faded in the final minutes.

The New York Liberty beat the Comets 69-64 on Sunday, outscoring the three-time defending champions 12-6 in the final four minutes before a sellout crowd of 19,563.

In the second rematch of the 1999 WNBA Finals, Tari Phillips had 17 points, 11 rebounds, three blocks and two steals for the Liberty (14-

"For whatever reason, we're not playing the basketball we should be playing this time in the season," said Sheryl Swoopes, who scored 12 second-half points for a gamehigh 18 points. "We can't seem

to put two halves together."
Cooper and Tina Thompson, the remainder of Houston's "Big Three" were held to a combined eight second-half points.

## Pampa 11-12 All-Stars headed for Louisiana

Ripken Tournament was held last week in

The host team reclaimed its title

to determine who would qualify of the sixth inning. for the trip to Pampa.

Plainview South and North Randall County (NRC) National NRC National 3-2, but lost the League traveled to Andrews game 15-11 to set up a rematch where they ousted Andrews, Seagraves and Seminole. Plainview took the No. 1 seed as they defeated NRC National, the Number two seed. NRC American League hosted the North area tournament with teams from dugout. Plainview North, Tulia, Lockney and Hereford.

NRC American avenged an earlier loss to Plainview South by sweeping a doubleheader in the finals to advance to Pampa.

Pampa had to endure the sadness of losing coach Dick Henley, the father of all-star Dylan Henley earlier in the week. Tournament Director Mondo Ramirez dedicated the tournament in Henley's memory.

A powerful Plainview South could not overcome defensive miscues as NRC American defeated them 9-3 in the opening game of the tournament. In the nightcap, host Pampa and NRC National played a nail-biter of a ball game. NRC National took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first and held on until the bottom of the fourth inning as Pampa took a 2-1 lead when Grant Stucki reached on an error and scored on Weston Teichmann's double. Teichmann scored when Nick Robbins reached base on an error. Pampa increased its lead in the bottom of the fifth inning when Jake Craig hit a line drive two-run home run after Tyson Hickman singled to give Pampa a 4-1 lead.

In the top of the sixth inning, NRC National used two doubles, a single, a walk and a fielder's choice to bring the score to 4-3, Pampa's favor. A wild pitch scored runners from second and third base to give NRC National a 5-4

Pampa didn't give up as Brett Ferrell reached on an error and Teichmann doubled. Ferrell scored on a wild pitch to tie the score at 5-Robbie Dixon failed to lay down a bunt to put him in a two-strike hole. Dixon lined a single down the left field line to drive in Teichmann and give Pampa a 6-5 win. Hickman gave up only seven hits and four earned runs for the

On Sunday, Pampa played NRC American in the finals of the winner's bracket. It was a pitcher's duel for four innings as neither team could score. In the top of the third inning, Teichmann, Pampa's pitcher, was injured when he was hit in the eye by a line shot off the front of the mound. He had to be removed from the game. Braydon Barker came on to get the final out of the third inning and retired

12-year-old three-down in the fourth.

In the top of the fifth, NRC American blew the game open with seven runs on seven hits, the as State Champions after a two- big blow came from Kirby Sanders year reign by Andrews. Pampa with a grand slam home run to beat North Randall County end the scoring drought. NRC American 5-4 in the championship American added a meaningless run in the top of the sixth for an 8-North and South area tourna- 0 victory. Craig Stone got Pampa's ments were held the week before only hit of the game in the bottom

In the loser's bracket game, Plainview South out-homered with Pampa on Monday night with a trip to the championship game at stake. With triple digit temperatures, Pampa lost the coin flip for home team and got to

Pampa scored first after Teichmann walked and advanced singled him in to give Pampa a 1-0 3-0 lead after one inning. lead. Tyler Klein opened the third inning with a single, but was choice. Eric Kingcade tripled in Hickman to give Pampa a 2-0 lead.

NRC National tied the scored in shortstop on the bottom of the fourth at 2-2. Pitcher Craig recovered from a head shot to finish the inning.

knocked in Ferrell. Craig hit a tow- innings giving up no runs. ering three-run homer over the

lead in half on a two-run homer by Craig after a gutsy performance to record the final out of the inning.

Hickman retired NRC National in order to send Pampa to the championship game with a 6-4 win. Craig got the win, giving up only five hits with Hickman getting the save.

With a trip to the regionals in Abbeville, Louisiana in the balance, NRC American League had already made reservations after defeating Pampa 8-0 in a game played earlier in the tournament, but Pampa had other plans. NRC wasted two singles to go scordess in the top of the first inning.

Pampa came out fighting with spend the game in the sauna Hickman bunting for a single. Kingcade followed with a double and Craig blasted his fourth home run of the tournament, a to third on two wild pitches. Stone three-run shot, to give Pampa a

Pampa scored three more runs in the bottom of the second with erased on Hickman's fielder's Dixon leading off with a single to left, a bunt single by Klein, a sin-Hickman's grounder for a 6-0 lead.

In the third inning, Robbins made a run-stopping throw from In the top of the fifth inning, left field to home with the bases Ferrell singled, Barker walked and loaded. Hickman, the pitcher, Kingcade's fielder's choice cruised through the first four

In the bottom of the fourth, innings.

PAMPA — The West Texas State NRC American three-up and center field fence to give Pampa a Pampa added a run when Stone 6-2 lead. NRC National cut the reached on an error and Pampa until the top of the fifth advanced to third on two passed Erick Morrison. Hickman relieved balls, scoring on Hickman's single to make the score 7-0.

Teichmann took the mound in the top of the fifth and faced Micheal Villena, the last batter he faced before when he was baseman.

NRC American scored two runs on three hits to make the score 7-2, Pampa's favor, after four and an one-half innings of play. Pampa wasted singles by Teichmann and Shane Goldsmith

and force an "if" game. to end the tournament. Hickman got his second win of Teichmann tallied his first win the tournament.

was the visiting team and runs. Hickman singled, Craig was intentionally walked, and Stucki reached on a fielder's choice. Teichmann singled in gle by Barker and an error by the Hickman and Craig. Ferrell sin- games. gled in Stucki to give Pampa their lead.

> Will Gowdy blasted a two-run Southeast Oklahoma plays homer off Craig. Teichmann Jonesboro, Ark. and North came on in relief to get the final two outs of the first inning and allowed no other runs in four Eagle Pass, Tex. El Dorado, Ark.

The score remained 3-2 inning when Craig sent his tournament-leading fourth home run sailing into the night to give Pampa a 4-2 lead.

In the bottom of the inning, NRC tied the score on two

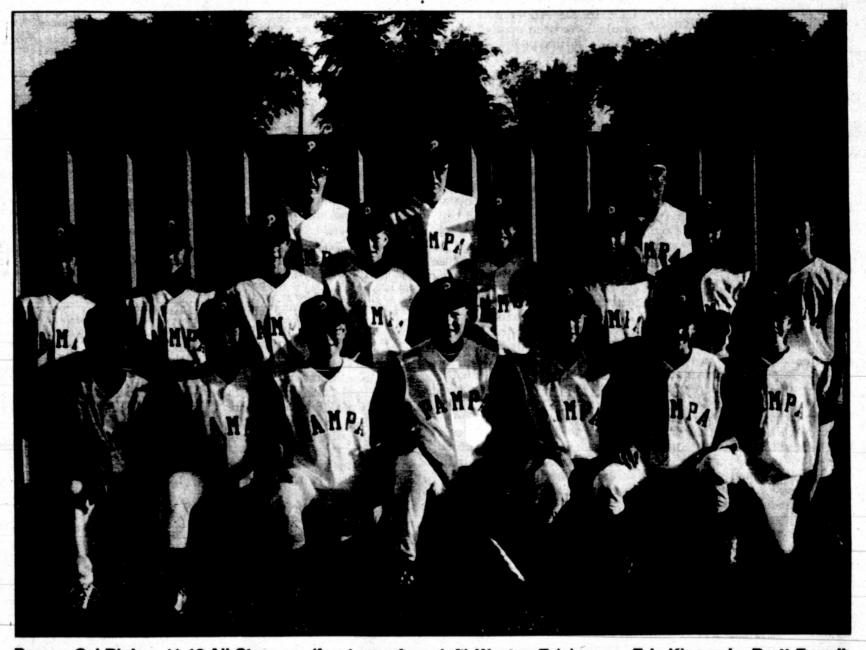
errors and a hit. injured. He retired him on a hard In the top of the sixth, Ferrell liner to Kingcade, the second atoned for his error by hitting hi second career championship homer over the center field

fence to give Pampa a ticket to Louisiana. Jarred Moler was left stranded after a single. Hickman assured the trip by stranding in the bottom of the inning. Villena at first when right field-Teichmann retired NRC in er Barker and shortstop order to give Pampa the win Teichmann made flyball catches

In the final game, host Pampa Hickman getting the save. Pampa played excellent jumped on NRC American in defense throughout the tournathe top of the first scoring three ment and had timely hitting. There were 15 home runs hit in the tournament with Pampa hitting five in five games and Plainview hitting five in two

of the tournament with

Pampa plays Meridian, Mississippi on Friday, July 28, NRC's 11-year-old pitcher at 12 noon at Abbeville, La. Vermilion, La. plays host Abbeville. Lakeshore, La. plays drew a bye.



Pampa Cal Ripken 11-12 All-Stars are (front row, from left) Weston Teichmann, Eric Kingcade, Brett Ferrell, Jake Craig, Grant Stucki, Dylan Henley and Craig Stone; (middle row, from left) Nick Robbins, Tyler Klein, Matthew Trusty, Shane Goldsmith, Tyson Hickman, Jarred Moler, Braydon Barker and Robbie Dixon; (back row, from left) Coaches Ed Ferrell, Steve Goldsmith and Manager Robert Dixon.

## Tiger finishes Slam with British Open victory

- Tiger Woods had barely completed his romp through golf's most hallowed ground. He hardly had a chance for a loving glance at his name on the silver claret jug.

Already he was looking for-

ward. And so was the rest of the world of golf. Woods was so dominating in a

British Open played beneath the gray skyline of the old town of St. Andrews, the only question that comes to mind:

What can he possibly do next? "He's always had his own goals," Woods' father, Earl, said. "I would say the next one is winning all four of them in one year -

That, of course, has never been done before. And it won't be done this year, although it's tantalizing to wonder what might have been had Woods made a few more putts at Augusta National.

He's already got the career Grand Slam at age 24, joining a select group that includes Gene Sarazen, Ben Hogan, Gary Player and lack Nicklaus.

Perhaps the single-season Grand Slam IS in the near future. "I had a wonderful chance at

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland (AP) Augusta, and then I've won the Sunday on the Old Course was last two," Woods said. "I've one more, and hopefully my game will be ready by the PGA.

If it is, it might be time to start engraving Woods' name on the Wannamaker trophy right now. It's hard to imagine Woods could play any better than he did at Pebble Beach, where he won by 15 shots, or at St. Andrews, where he won by eight.

Hard for anyone but Woods that

'No, no, no, no," Woods responded when asked if his game was as good as it could be. Definitely not. I'm going to keep working trying to get better. There are things I can improve on."

Scary words for his fellow players, who are finally abandoning their brave fronts and admitting this guy may be too good for

"It's almost as though now guys will pick events to play in and play the Tigerless tour to have a chance to win," three-time British Open champion Nick Faldo said.
"He has raised the bar to a level

that only he can jump," five-time winner Tom Watson said. The only jumping going on

being done by hundreds of fans trying to leap across the Swilken Burn on the 18th hole to follow Woods' march to history.

The Open title had been decided long before that, and the only question now was whether Woods would par the 18th and finish 19 under to break the record for most under par in a major championship.

He did; sinking a 3-footer for a final round 69 and breaking into a huge grin as he took his hat off in victory.

"I couldn't care less about the record, all I wanted was four straight rounds in the 60s," Woods said. "That was something I did not do at Pebble Beach and I did not do it at Augusta. And to finally get the job done with four straight rounds in the 60s in a major championship is very spe-

Woods had started the day paired with David Duval for the first time in the last round of a major championship. Duval was six shots back, but relished the opportunity to attack the course in full view of Woods and try to put some pressure on.

Woods was so focused he didn't even notice the claret jug that goes to the winner sitting on a wooden table on the first tee.

He did notice Duval a few holes later, firing at pins and making four birdies in the first seven holes to pull to within three shots of the

"There were only three shots separating us at the time, which isn't much considering all the trouble that's lurking out there and the holes we have to play," Woods said. "If David would have continued to make a few birdies then things might have been a little bit different.

Duval didn't, though, and his brief momentum came to an abrupt halt when Duval left a 12footer on the lip of the hole on No. 10 and Woods followed by making his 10-footer for birdie.

By the time Duval three-putted 12 for bogey and then bogeyed No. 13, the tournament was long over. The indignity of having to take four shots out of the bunker on the Road Hole simply drove the point in.

Woods wouldn't have known about the sand. He was never in any of the 112 bunkers that litter

"It was a spectacular performance to say the least," Duval said of Woods. "He simply didn't make mistakes and he capitalized on the holes you'd expect him to capitalize on. He played very efficiently.

Duval ended up with a fat 43 on the back nine, and also lost his spot as No. 2 in the world golf rankings behind Woods. Taking his place was Ernie Els, who tied for second with Thomas Bjorn. Els earned the dubious distinction of being the first player to finish second in three majors in a row.

"We don't all have his ability, so it's tough at times," Els said. Not for Woods, who seems to know not only how to win, but how to win big in the biggest of

moments. "I've made my share of mistakes and I've learned," Woods said.

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PAMPA — For the past nine years, Larry Freeman has made Tournament tees off Tuesday for the 400-mile trip from Bullard to Pampa to compete in the Tri-State Seniors Tournament. This year, he will be making the journey as the new TSSGA president.

Freeman was installed during the Tri-State awards banquet that closed out last year's tournament. He feels honored to be listed in the program directory as the Association's 2000 presi-

when we come to this tourna- come," he said. "All the merment," Freeman said. "I'd like chants are so nice to our wives. I most of these guys. I'll keep go to seniors tournament almost coming until we get too old to

The 66th annual Tri-State there as they are in Pampa." a three-day run at the Pampa County Club.

"Not many people are aware of it, but our tournament is the oldest senior tournament west of the Mississippi River," Freeman added. "There's some on the east side that's got us beat, but not

Freeman likes the red-carpet treatment the seniors and their wives receive in Pampa.

"The townspeople and the "Most of us feel like family Gold Coats make us feel so welwives just aren't received as well behind Wilson.

Freeman will be presiding over the annual banquet, which

is set for Thursday, starting at 7:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Auditorium. This year's tournament has promises of being a competitive

one. The top three players including defending champion Tommy Wilson of Lubbock return from last year. Amarillo's Doug Barron finished second, five shots back of Wilson, and John Dial of Horseshoe Bay was third at six shots behind.

Also returning is Lubbock's Scott Mack, who led the tournament going into the final round. every year in Harlingen and the He finished fourth, 10 shots

## Rangers slip past Mariners, 3-2

shortstop Alex Rodriguez back this week. They could have used Higgins' calls were booed loudly. his potent bat against Rick Helling in the finale of Texas' first series at Safeco Field.

The last-place Rangers beat the AL West-leading Mariners 3-2 on end of the inning, but he said Rafael Palmeiro's RBI single off Higgins wouldn't look at him. Arthur Rhodes in the eighth inning Sunday.

After the game, manager Lou Piniella's office door was shut for 21 minutes for a meeting with general manager Pat Gillick and trainer Rick Griffin. The subject was when to bring back Rodriguez, on the disabled list with a sprained right knee.

"He is going to catch a lot of ground balls (Monday) and we think that possibly Tuesday he will be ready to go," Piniella

The Mariners open an important two-game series Monday night against second-place Oakland.

Sunday's loss was only Seattle's 14th at home this season and eight of the defeats have been by one run. If the Mariners, 17 games over .500, have a problem, it's their offense.

Rodriguez, sidelined since a second-base collision with the Maurice Greene talked a lot bet- dredth of a second. Los Angeles Dodgers' Alex Cora ter than they ran. The great race —Gail Devers, in search of the July 7, is hitting .345 with 84 runs was a fiasco for the ages. scored, 24 homers and 78 RBIs in 84 games.

Seattle has gone 8-5 with Rodriguez on the DL

Palmeiro got his 1,300th career RBI with a sacrifice fly in a 13-5 U.S. track and field team with a loss to Seattle Saturday. In the seventh inning Sunday, he ended an 0-for-18 slump with a double that took a lot of pressure off his shoulders.

"Don't let them kid you," said Palmeiro, who hadn't had a hit since doubling in the fourth. Sunday, it was a spectacular final inning Tuesday night in Anaheim. "No matter how much before a sun-baked standingsuccess you've had in the past, it bothers you and it bothers you a lot. It bothers everybody. You've her triumphant Sacramento stay just got to deal with it and move by winning the 200 in 21.94 sec-

The Rangers, who gave up 25 runs in the first two games of their first series at Safeco Field when their two starters went only 5 1-3 innings, ended a fouragainst Seattle. They trail the Mariners by 10 1/2 games.

In the eighth, Mike Lamb singled off Arthur Rhodes (3-4). With two outs, Rhodes walked Rusty Greer before Palmeiro sin-

gled to right.

SEATTLE (AP) — The Seattle walk to Greer on a 3-2 count. He control your wins and losses." Mariners expect to get All-Star threw balls on his last two pitches to Greer. Plate umpire Scott

> Rhodes thought they were strikes, but didn't complain. He tried to make eye contact with Higgins as he left the field at the

> He didn't want to look me in the eye and say, 'OK, I missed that pitch — both pitches," Rhodes said.

Helling (11-7) won his fourth straight decision after losing six consecutive starts. He gave up eight hits, walked two and struck out one. Before his slide, he had a five-game winning streak.

"I think I've pitched pretty consistently all year," said but as a starting pitcher you can't 12, 1969.

John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 25th save in 30

Notes: Joe Oliver's grand slam Saturday was the first against the Rangers in Seattle since Dann Howitt's slam off Nolan Ryan in the Kingdome Sept. 22, 1993. That was the final hit against the Hall Of Famer. Ryan, who pitched seven no-hitters, tore a igament in his right elbow in that game and never pitched again. ... Greer ended an 0-for-14 slump with a 2-for-3 game with two walks. He was given Saturday off. ... Safeco Field's retractable roof was open under sunny skies after it failed to close during a storm Saturday, causing Helling, who has the fourth-best a 54-minute rain delay. That was ERA in the AL at 3.71. "My Seattle's first home rain delay results have been up and down, since a Seattle Pilots game Sept.

## Showdown fizzles as both Johnson, Greene pull up lame in U.S. Olympic trials

crossed the finish line. First Johnson, then Greene pulled up clocking. with leg injuries.

Now it's on to Sydney for the 200-meter squad minus two of the world's fastest men.

The whole world wanted to see a great show," Greene said. 'It's a sad situation that me and

Michael didn't finish the race." Before the not-so-grand finale day for the U.S. Olympic trials

room-only crowd of 24,072. —Marion Jones wrapped up onds, fastest in the world this year. She also won the trials 100 and long jump, and heads to Sydney on track in her goal to

win five gold medals. -Stacy Dragila, who grew up game losing streak this season on a ranch just a 30-minute drive string from the stadium, broke her world record in the pole vault by clearing 15 feet, 2 1/4 inches.

-The Clark family finished 1-Rhodes said the key was his lunged into third place at the fin-ready to do.'

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — ish to earn the event's final In the end, Michael Johnson and Olympic berth by one-hun-

100 hurdle gold medal that Neither won. Neither even always has eluded her, broke her American record with a 12.33.

Johnson's problems with a cramping right leg Saturday led to speculation that the Texan might pull out, but he competed in the semifinals. Running beside Greene, Johnson finished second to John Capel. Greene was third.

In the final, Johnson of Dallas pulled up on the turn, falling to the track in pain, this time in his

"It's one of the most painful cramps I've ever had," he said. "I don't believe the injury is terrible. We'll evaluate it in the next few days. Hopefully this isn't too serious so I can get back and go to Europe."

Greene raced on, but not for long. On the straightaway, the 100-meter runner suddenly began hopping, then limped to a halt with a strained left ham-

"I felt a strain ...," Greene said. "I stopped before I tore some-

"I don't think it had anything 2-3 in the women's 800 when the to do with the heat or with the eldest of the clan, 37-year-old rivalry. I was just trying to do Joetta Clark-Diggs, somehow something my body wasn't

## Scoreboard 1976 — Lucien Van Impe, Belgium 1977 — Bernard Thevenet, France 1978 — Bernard Hinault, France

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Chicago Cubs 3, Milwaukee 2, 13 innings
Pittsburgh 2, Philadelphia 1
Montreal 17, Florida 7
Colorado 9, San Diego 4

5), 10:05 p.m

Sunday's Games Cincinnati 5, Arizona 3 Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee 4
San Diego 6, Colorado 4, 10 innings
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 Marco Pantani, Italy

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ST. ANDREWS, Scotland (AP) — Final scores and money winnings Sunday of the

scores and money winnings Sunday of the 129th British Open on the 7,115-yard, par-72 Old Course at St. Andrews:

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Tuesday's Games
Seattle at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

## It's becoming the Tour de Lance

PARIS (AP) — The world's top this little guy," he said. cycling competition is starting to

look like the Tour de Lance. Armstrong cruised to his second Tour de France championship turned to whether the 28-year-old Texan had it in him for a third.

"I don't see why not, but there's a lot of talent in the field who are only going to come back harder and stronger next year," he said after a day spent clowning and celebrating even before he'd crossed the Champs-Elysees finish line.

On the victory podium, Armstrong hoisted his 9-monthold boy, Luke, above his head. Tears welled in his eyes.

Reds 5, Diamondbacks 3

box in the first inning.

Williams of an RBI hit.

his third straight

Astros 15, Cardinals 7

Cincinnati has won 10 of 15.

him to back out of the batter's

scored from first on a double by

Ken Griffey Jr. He also ranged

Larkin went 1-for-4 and

Elmer Dessens, moved from

the bullpen to improve the

trade-depleted rotation, won

start.

"This one's even more special than last year, partly because of

Because of his insurmountable

lead going into the final stage, riders joked with Armstrong as they coasted past the famous sites of Sunday in front of a cheering Paris during Sunday's 86-mile throng of Parisians and tourists, conclusion to the 23-day, 2,250and speculation immediately mile epic through France, Germany and Switzerland.

Shortly after the cyclists took off from the Eiffel Tower, Armstrong donned a long-haired wig. As he passed the Louvre Museum, he grabbed a pocket camera and took snapshots of the flag-waving Americans shooting pictures of

He even was passed a glass of local bubbly and made a toast as he pedaled, despite his earlier pagne kind of guy."

Armstrong of Austin, Texas won money withdrawn.

particularly Germany's top rider Jan Ullrich, who had questioned whether Armstrong really was the best cyclist in 1999, when Ullrich and 1998 winner Marco Pantani of Italy didn't compete. "Armstrong is a worthy cham-

praise from his closest challengers.

and he met our every attack. He earned his victory," said Ullrich, who won the Tour in 1997 but has finished second every year since. The festive mood was momentarily jarred when Jeroen Blijlevens of the Netherlands

pion. He was the strongest man,

Iulich just after they crossed the finish line. Blijlevens, who finished 124th admission that he wasn't "a cham- overall, had his place in the final results table deleted and prize

punched American rider Bobby

## Larkin stays put in Cincinnati, will Schilling do same in Philly?

By BEN WALKER AP Baseball Writer

Barry Larkin made his decision — he's staying put for this season, and the foreseeable future. Curt Schilling might get to make his choice soon.

Larkin received a 30-second standing ovation in Cincinnati after turning down a trade that would have sent him to the New York Mets, then helped the Reds beat Arizona 5-3 Sunday.

Hours later, the All-Star shortstop agreed to a three-year contract extension for \$27 million to remain with his hometown Reds.

"This has all really come as a

shock to me," Larkin said. Schilling showed why he's at the top of several trade lists. pitching a three-hitter as the Philadelphia Phillies won at Pittsburgh 4-1.

Larkin, 36, had veto power over any deal because he's a 10and-5 player - 10 years in the majors, the last five with the

that he can choose to waive. The deadline for making deals without waivers is July

"I'm not even thinking about that," Schilling said. "All I days.

In other NL games, Atlanta edged New York 1-0, Los Angeles beat San Francisco 5-0, Houston hammered St. Louis 15-7, Colorado beat San Diego 6-4 in 10 innings, Chicago downed Milwaukee 5-4, and Montreal defeated Florida 7-6.

Schilling (6-6) won in the Phillies' final game at Three Rivers Stadium, which will be razed after this season. Philadelphia finished 87-148

in the ballpark where it faced the Pirates in several late showdowns in the 1970s. Schilling struck out six and walked two. He fanned John

Vander Wal with the bases

loaded to end the sixth inning,

starting a streak in which he

retired the final 10 batters. Tom Prince hit two home runs

that included parts of seven at Turner Field since September inning. years with Pittsburgh. "This was Tom Prince's day,"

Schilling said. "What a day for him, from calling the game and know is that I pitch again in five working the strike zone to driving in all four runs. He had a. tremendous game." Braves 1, Mets 0

Andy Ashby, acquired in a trade during the All-Star break to bolster Atlanta's rotation, picked up his second completegame victory for the Braves, limiting New York to four hits.

Ashby (6-7) won his fourth straight start, the last two since acquired from Philadelphia. He struck out seven and walked two in his eighth career shutout.

The Braves scored in the sixth. Brian Jordan led off with a single and came all the way around when Wally Joyner followed with a double into the right-field-corner against Bobby

Bill Spiers homered twice and drove in a career-high six runs and Lance Berkman also connected twice as Houston roughed up St. Louis at Enron

Cardinals starter Andy Benes tied a major league record by giving up four home runs in an Atlanta won two of three in inning - Spiers, Jeff Bagwell, same team. Schilling, 33, has a for the Phillies. That matched the weekend series to open a Berkman and Richard Hidalgo no-trade clause in his contract his previous total at Three six-game lead over New York in tagged him. The Astros set a

Rivers in a major league career the NL West. The Mets are 2-18 team mark for homers in an enth.

Spiers hit a grand slam in the seventh and Berkman homered The 34,822 fans at Cinergy off Benes' brother, Alan. Field let Larkin know how they Houston's six homers tied a felt, showering the team captain team record.

with an ovation that caused Dodgers 5, Giants 0

Darren Dreifort pitched seven shutout innings, and Shawn Green homered twice as Los Angeles beat visiting San Francisco, the Dodgers' sixth behind second base to rob Matt victory in eight games.

Dreifort (6-7) walked one and struck out nine to equal a season high before being relieved by Terry Adams to start the eighth. Jeff Shaw got the final out to complete the two-hitter.

red on the first pitch thrown by Russ Ortiz (5-9), and Green hit a two-run homer three batters

Padres 6, Rockies 4, 10 innings Ryan Klesko hit a tying home run in the ninth inning and a

two-run shot in the 10th that lifted San Diego over Colorado.

Klesko is 37-for-105 (.352) with eight homers and 31 RBIs in 27 games at Coors Field. Expos 7, Marlins 6

Montreal swept a three-game series on the road for the first time since 1995, getting home runs from Fernando Seguignol and Geoff Blum to defeat Florida.

The last time the Expos swept a road set of at least three games was Aug. 8-10, 1995, at the Astrodome. Since then, they did take a two-game series from the Mets at Shea Stadium in

Cubs 5, Brewers 4 Ismael Valdes won for the Todd Hollandsworth home- first time in eight starts as Chicago beat Milwaukee at Wrigley Field.

Rick Aguilera got his 21st save of the season and 310th of his career, tying Goose Gossage for ninth place on the career

Sammy Sosa went 0-for-4 and Rockies starter Pedro Astacio ended his 15-game hitting held the Padres hitless until Al streak, longest by a Cubs player Martin singled to start the sev- this year.

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The fire in Mesa Verde National Park nearly tripled in size in 24 hours, charring 17,000 acres by Sunday night. The blaze sent ash raining down on surrounding towns and a plume of smoke towering 40,000 feet into the

sky.
"It's moving. It's a big, powerful fire," said Justin Dombrowski, a spokesman for the team fighting the fire. "Right now, it's moving so fast and so far that it puts everything in that park at a greater threat.

The effort to contain the blaze was hobbled by rough terrain as flames ripped over mesas and into canyons inaccessible to firefighters,

Fires at high elevations — much of the park is above 8,000 feet - usually quiet down as temperatures drop overnight. But officials said Monday morning that the fire continued to expand through the night. Prospects for the rest of the day were even bleaker.

"The weather is just like it was yesterday and the fuels are just like they yesterday," said Ron Hodson, another fire spokesman. Temperatures were expected to be in the 90s with low humidity.

No major structural damage had beenreported Sunday, but the fire was only a few miles from the ruins known as Cliff Palace, the park's major attraction.

The fire started Thursday, apparently from a lightning strike. The park was closed indef-

Wildfires also burned in Southern

Right now, it's moving so fast and so far that it puts everything in that park at a greater threat.'

> Justin Dombrowski Firefighter

California, including a 5,500-acre blaze in a remote canyon in Death Valley National Park. Near Oroville, Wash., a wildfire consumed more than 7,300 acres and destroyed six

At Mesa Verde, where Anasazi Indian dwellings were discovered in the cliffs hundreds of years ago, the wildfire has uncovered at least a dozen previously unknown

sites as it strips away concealing vegetation.
"It's a bit of a tradeoff," said Jane

rist. "It's exciting to see the new ruins and get that information, but at the same time, fire can destroy these sites."

A fire in the park in 1996 damaged a petroglyph carved into a rock wall by cliff dwellers more than 1,000 years ago.

A dozen archaeologists were accompanying firefighters to help identify new sites and protect them if possible.

A second fire, about 25 miles northwest of the park, burned 600 acres and forced the evacuation of nearby residents. It was 30 percent contained by Sunday evening. The cause of the blaze remained under investigation.

Three other fires burned more than 3,500 acres in northwestern Colorado. One of the blazes, near Rangely, was 40 percent contained Sunday.

Nearly 56,000 fires have burned 2.8 million acres nationwide this season, according to the National Interagency Fire Center in Idaho, Anderson, a National Park Service archaeolo- the largest acreage total since 1996.

## Building collapses in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — trapped in the building. art of a rowhouse under Cecelia Driscoll said she Part of a rowhouse under co-owner of a mom-and- authorities said. The couple a fixture in the south pop store on the ground

A construction worker was rescued by firefighters retire," said Driscoll, crying. after the 9 a.m. collapse of the three-story brick building. He was in fair condition old store. at Hahnemann University Hospital.

collapsed believed her father, Adolph Monday morning, injuring a Stahl, was one of the two. worker and trapping two Her mother, Faith, was able other people, including the to get out on her own,

> Louise's Variety Store. They were going to She said renovations were being made to the 57-year-

Neighbors and police said

a rear section collapsed. The building housed an apartment on the upper floors, where the Stahls lived.

neighbor, Brennan, said the store was owned the shop, Aunt Philadelphia neighborhood.

The owners were planning to close most of the store and sell only a few items, such as lottery tickfrom a window, Brennan said.

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## MEDICAL

# Cancer-screening tool missing many cases

By JEFF DONN **Associated Press Writer** 

Sigmoidoscopy, the most widely used fiber-optic screening exam for colon cancer, is likely to miss diseased growths as much as onethird of the time, researchers say in a study that could lead to wider use of a more thorough method, colonoscopy.

The findings, along with a second study reported in the New England Journal of Medicine, deepen doubts about the reliability of sigmoidoscopy.

Both sigmoidoscopy and colonoscopy use a flexible tube that is inserted in the rectum to examine the large intestine for cancerous or

Sigmoidoscopy, which reaches only part way up the colon, is commonly used for checking patients at no special risk for colon and rectal cancer, which killed about 56,000 people in the United States last year. Colonoscopy, which reaches all the way up the colon, is widely

the disease, blood in stool, or previous growths in their colon. These two articles are changing the ground rules a bit," said Dr. Harris Clearfield, a professor of medicine at MCP Hahnemann University in Philadelphia. "There will definitely be lives saved with colonoscopy in average-risk patients, and I think there's going to be

used for higher-risk patients, such as those with a family history of

increasing attention paid to it.' Colon and rectal cancer killed about 56,000 people in the United States last year. Colorectal cancer is second only to lung cancer in causing cancer deaths. About 130,000 cases were diagnosed last year.

Sigmoidoscopies are carried out in a doctor's office without sedation and generally cost less than \$200. Colonoscopies require sedation and normally take place in hospitals or special surgical sites at a cost of \$700 or more. Tearing and other serious bleeding, though rare, happen more often with colonoscopies.

igmoidoscopy, which reaches only part way up the colon, is commonly used for checking patients at no special risk for colon-and rectal cancer, which killed about 56,000 people in the United States last year. Colonoscopy, which reaches all the way up the colon, is widely used for higher-risk patients, such as those with a family history of the disease, blood in stool, or previous growths in their colon.

In sigmoidoscopy, the tube is inserted only about two feet up the colon. The device shows the colon on a video screen and removes any worrisome growths. If such growths are found, a colonoscopy will usually be performed later to examine the entire colon, which snakes up about five feet to the small intestine.

In the largest study ever of colonoscopy, researchers examined 3,121 men ages 50 to 75 with no symptoms of colon or rectal cancer at 13 U.S. veterans hospitals. At least 52 percent with cancer or advanced precancerous polyps in the upper colon had no precancerous polyps in the lower colon or rectum. Altogether, between 20 percent to 32 percent of men with advanced growths would thus be overlooked by sigmoidoscopy alone.

5 chance we're going to miss something on that exam, I'm not sure tor of the Health Insurance Association of America.

I'd be reassured," said Dr. David Lieberman, the lead researcher at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Portland, Ore.

The second study, carried out at Indiana University Medical Center and three other sites, analyzed colonoscopy results from screenings of 1994 men and women in a health program at Eli Lilly and Co., the drug maker. Sixty-two percent with advanced polyps in their upper colon showed no precancerous polyps in the lower sec-

In an accompany editorial, Dr. Daniel Podolsky of Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston said colonoscopy could, at least in theory, eradicate the vast majority of colorectal cancer.

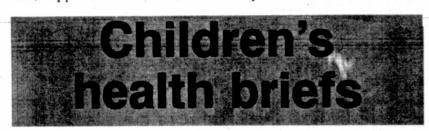
Relying on sigmoidoscopy makes as much medical sense as "performing mammography of one breast to screen women for breast cancer," he said.

Most government and private health organizations recommend that people 50 and older be screened for colon and rectal cancer with sigmoidoscopy every five years and each year with a test that detects blood in the stool. Insurance companies generally cover those two tests to screen healthy patients.

Dr. Thomas Imperiale, who led the second study, said he favors broader use of colonoscopy for older patients or others who may be at higher risk. But he added, "To go to a strategy of screening everyone with colonoscopy doesn't make sense."

"It is invasive, it is costly, and we're talking about millions of peole," said Dr. Sidney Winawer of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. While also advocating more colonoscopy, he said other research must clarify the role of colonoscopy in prevent-

About three quarters of patients with insurance coverage fail to seek colon cancer screening already. "If you go to colonoscopy, there "If I'm a patient and I'm going to be told there's a 1-in-3 or a 1-in- may be more resistance," warned Dr. Donald Young, medical direc-



## Reading newborn's 'sign language' cut breastfeeding

HOUSTON — New mothers shouldn't wait for their baby to cry

before offering to nurse. "A crying baby is an unhappy baby who tends to be more difficult to breastfeed," said Dr. Judy Hopkinson, a lactation physiologist with the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

To avoid nursing time distress, Hopkinson encourages a new mother to breastfeed whenever her newborn displays the following signs of hunger: sucking on the tongue or lips during sleep, moving the arms and hands toward the mouth, fussing or fidgeting during sleep, or turning the head from side to side.

Responding quickly to signs of hunger helps the child feel safe, fosters a trusting mother-child relationship and contributes to breastfeeding success," she said.

Hopkinson also discourages trying to time or control how long a baby nurses. "Babies are able to match their intake to their needs," she said. Signs that a baby has finished nursing include falling asleep, relaxing the body, opening the fists and relaxing the forehead.

#### Bugs zoom in on pleasa smells, bright colors

HOUSTON — Active kids need to fill up on fluids to prevent dehy-

Children should be encouraged to drink water before heading outside and every 20 to 30 minutes during playtime activities, said Dr. Marta Fiorotto, a researcher with the USDA's Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Although children may request sports drinks are designed to benefit athletes engaged in continuous aerobic workouts," she said.

#### Chickenpox vaccine prevents dangerous complications HOUSTON — Parents should not skip the chickenpox vaccine for their children because their own experience with the disease was no big

What was once considered a ritual of childhood can be a dangerous disease today, said Dr. Armando Correa, assistant professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine.

"In most cases, chickenpox is a mild disease. But the secondary infections that result in some children can be life-threatening,' Correa said.

Though the vaccine for chickenpox has been available since 1995, national statistics show that less than half of the children under age 3 have been vaccinated. Health officials recommend that all healthy children over 12 months of age receive the vaccine.

#### Limit TV, computer time

HOUSTON — Kids sprawled in front of the television don't burn

"Children need to get on their feet and play," says Dr. Karen Cullen of the USDA's Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

More than one-fourth of America's children spend four or more hours each day watching television. Two-thirds of them spend at least two hours a day in from of 'the tube.' Not surprisingly, the more television the children watch, the fatter they tend to be.

Cullen urges parents to set time limits for television and computer game sessions and help couch-potato kids become more active by making physical activity a family affair. Replace unnecessary sitting time with afternoon bike rides, post-dinner walks, or even dances in the liv-

Making regular physical activity a fun, family affair helps children build a lifetime of healthy habits," she said.

#### Parents cautioned about leaving children in hot cars HOUSTON — Dr. Milton Nirken, an acute-care physician at Texas

Children's Hospital in Houston, reminds parents to keep an eye our for potential disasters as temperatures heat up. One of those disasters could involve the family vehicle.

"Parents should never leave small children unattended in a vehicle, especially during the summer, even if it's for a quick stop," Nirken said. "The inside of the vehicle can get hot quickly, which can be dangerous." Leaving the windows open does not provide much relief, particularly if the vehicle is in the sun.

If your child accidentally is locked inside your car, break on of the windows to allow air inside and call you local emergency number immediately.

#### Liquids vital during summer heat

HOUSTON — Drinking plenty of water is a good rule of thumb - particularly in hot, humid environments.

"Kids should drink liquids before, during and after activities to help prevent dehydration and heal illness," said Dr. Mark Gilger, a pediatric gastroenterologist and nutrition specialist at Texas Children's Hospital

On hot days, children should drink about 1 1/2 cups of water about every 30 minutes. Limit sweetened beverages, caffeinated teas and soft drinks, which can deplete the body of water.

To make drinking easier and more convenient, give your child his or her own plastic water bottle. Monitor the amount of time your child spends in the sun and schedule frequent refreshment breaks in the shade or indoors.

## High cholesterol puts young men at risk, too

their 20s and 30s don't have to worry about their cholesterol, think again.

A study found that even men under 40 with high cholesterol run an increased risk of heart disease and premature death, underscoring the importance of early screening and preventive treatment.

High cholesterol in middle age is known to be a major risk factor for heart disease and heart attacks

The new findings suggest that younger men with high cholesterol face a greater long-term risk than men diagnosed with the condition in middle age, in part because the longer high levels exist, the more damage they can cause.

The findings are contained in an analysis of studies on nearly 82,000 men ages 18 to 39 who were followed for up to 34 years. The results recently appeared in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The study was led by Dr. Jeremiah Meyerson, a Johns Hopkins cardiologist and http://www.americanheart.org

medicine at Northwestern University Medical School.

The findings clearly support existing guidelines that recommend cholesterol tests at least every five years for adults starting at age 20, Dr. Scott M. Grundy of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas said in an accompanying editorial.

However, some insurance companies will not pay for screening tests, and some primary-care doctors are too busy to worry about long-term prevention, Grundy said.

The suggestion that cholesterol-lowering drugs or a change in diet can be started later in life without any harm is not accurate, he

Heart disease, the nation's No. 1 killer, is largely preventable and Stamler's study "has demonstrated the immense value of long-term prevention," said Dr. David A.

CHICAGO (AP) — If you think people in Stamler, emeritus professor of preventive spokesman for the American Heart Association.

Total cholesterol levels of 200 milligrams per deciliter or below are considered healthful; readings of 240 and above are considered high.

The research evaluated 81,488 men followed through the 1990s in three previous studies. Men were at greater risk for heart disease-related death if their total cholesterol at the outset was above 200.

Those with high levels were two to 3 1/2 times more likely to die of a heart diseaserelated death than men with healthful levels. They died four to nine years earlier than men with healthful levels.

Compared with men ages 40 to 59, the studies showed that for every 40 points that cholesterol levels increased, young men faced nearly twice the risk or more of dying of a heart attack during the follow-up years.

On the Net: American Heart Association:

## Study: Benefits outweigh stroke risk of birth control pills

CHICAGO (AP) — A new faced nearly a threefold risk. report suggests that while women taking birth control pills even the newer, low-dose the contraceptive benefits of the

The report, an analysis of 16 previous studies, is in a recent ournal of the American Medical Association.

users to suffer a stroke, while California at San Francisco. women using higher-dose pills

Since strokes are so rare in women of reproductive age, the risk translates to only one addiforms - are at higher risk of tional stroke yearly per 24,000 stroke, that risk is outweighed by women for low-dose pill users and one per 12,000 women for higher dosages, the report concludes.

The risks were associated with current rather than previous use.

Strokes are a known risk factor The low-dose forms, taken by for higher-dose pills but previmost of the more than 10 million ous research had been less clear U.S. women using oral contra- about lower dosages — pills ceptives, contain less estrogen with less than 50 micrograms of than the pill introduced 40 years estrogen, said Dr. S. Claiborne ago and are thought to be safer. Johnston, a co-author of the Still, women taking them were report and assistant professor of nearly twice as likely as non-neurology at the University of

"The key is about whether this

tive the pill is at preventing preg- would have abortions, and those nancy, Johnston said.

replaced by condoms, an esti- plus "major psychological and mated 687,000 additional unin- economic consequences" of tended pregnancies would result unintended children, Johnston each year, the study authors said. said.

risk matters," given how effec- Some of those women likely who didn't would face health If oral contraceptives were risks associated with pregnancy

## FDA OKs radiation for cloqued arteries

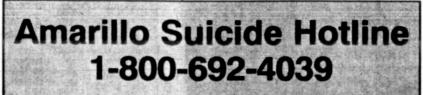
WASHINGTON (AP) -Radiating the inside of coronary sis. arteries may soon be offered to certain heart patients whose could solve that problem with blood vessels reclog after angioplasties: Government advisers recommended approval recently of the first angioplasty radiation

About 750,000 Americans have angioplasties each year, that researchers hope to help by where a balloon is threaded into

reclogs, a process called resteno-

Cardiologists thought they stents, scaffolding-like devices threaded into the artery to hold it open. But some people's arteries still reclog, as scar-like tissue builds around the stent.

It is those toughest patients threading radiation-emitting arteries to push back plaque that devices inside the arteries durcan cause a heart attack. The ing repeated angioplasties, in procedure can work very well. the theory that radiation might But in many people, the artery stop new clog-forming cells.





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