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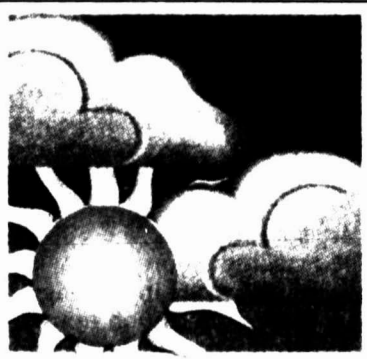
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Two tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The tickets were worth an estimated \$10 million. The tickets were sold in Houston and Emory. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 1, 6, 14, 21, 24 and 26.

ARLINGTON (AP) — Raft rides at all Six Flags over Texas theme parks are shut down today after a second accident this year in which a raft overturned, trapping riders underwater. Premier Parks, Six Flags' parent company, ordered the move Sunday after six riders belted into a raft flipped over on a popular water ride at Riverside Park in Agwam, Mass. A family of four and two friends were hurt in Saturday's accident. Two adults and two children remained hospitalized.

Six Flags and Riverside are owned by the same company, Premier Parks, but the rides involved in the accidents are made by different companies. A woman was killed and 10 people were injured in March during a similar accident at Six Flags in Arlington. A raft carrying a dozen people had flipped on the Roaring Rapids. Following the latest accident, Premier Parks ordered all of its raft rides — including Roaring Rapids at Six Flags in Arlington — closed for the new investigation.

- Mildred Bentley, 88, former teacher.
- William McClesley Tye, 81, former owner Tye Drilling Co.

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Preserving Texas history ...



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

Pampa native Myles Gilbert, in his cowboy hat, examines a Sharps buffalo rifle as he and Walter Warren of Clarendon, in the striped shirt, demonstrate the black powder weapons used by hunters on the Texas plains in the 1870s.

Buffalo rifle echoes sound of days gone by

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

PANHANDLE — The roar of a buffalo rifle echoed across this Carson County community again as the Square House Museum hosted a demonstration of 19th Century firearms. Walter Warner of Clarendon and Dr. B. Myles Gilbert, a Pampa native who now lives in Eagar, Ariz., recently brought rifles, carbines and handguns along with replicas from the 19th Century when buffalo hunters and Indians were the only ones who populated what was to become Carson County. Warner, a member of an Amarillo-based black powder shooting club, explained the differences in the weapons and how they

evolved from the Civil War to the 20th Century. Gilbert, an author who is working on an encyclopedia of buffalo hunters that roamed the plains in the 1970s, explained how the weapons were used to hunt the shaggy beasts and how the buffalo became the center of an industry. "Up until 1870, virtually all North American leather goods were made from hides of Argentine cattle," said Gilbert. By 1870, he said, hoof and mouth disease had almost wiped the Argentine trade out. Leather manufacturers turned to the American bison. It was more than just for shoes or clothing, Gilbert said.

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Outdoor sign ordinance up for final reading, vote

There'll be no discussion of proposed neighborhood parking restrictions Tuesday when City Commissioners meet at City Hall for their public work session at 5 p.m. followed by the regular meeting at 6 p.m. City Manager Bob Eskridge said the parking restriction proposal is not included on the agenda because City Attorney Don Lane has been unable to make revisions to the document. Lane has been out of state due to a death in his family. But commissioners are expected to vote on second and final reading on a business sign ordinance that will regulate outdoor signs. Included in the proposal are rules pertaining to width, height, lighting, permits and other related matters.

On the first reading of the sign ordinance, commissioners were unanimous for its adoption. In other business, commissioners will consider a bid of \$200 for delinquent tax property commonly known as 714 S. Gray. If commissioners follow the city staff's recommendation, they will not accept the bid because there is a high probability this property will be reclaimed by the prior owner and it is worth much more than the \$200 bid offered, Eskridge said his agenda packet administrative comments. Other agenda items include:

- Consideration that surplus property be made ready for disposal.
- Consider award of bid for cleaning and bail- ing to restore production of water wells.

Local petro group opposes imported oil tariff

A local petroleum group is opposed to a policy that could impose an increased tariff on imported oil. The Panhandle Producers and Royalty Owners Association is opposed to a petition by Oklahoma oilmen that could result in a 60 percent tariff on imported oil, a spokesman for the Amarillo-based association said today. While the Associated Press was reporting today that the petroleum industry is awaiting word on whether the government will agree to consider charges that unfair foreign imports are driving U.S. oil producers out of business, a spokesman

for the PPROA said this morning that he did not expect the Commerce Department to take any action. The Commerce Department was expected to make the announcement late today, according to AP. "We place no credibility in that," said Wayne Hughes, director of the PPROA. Hughes said he had talked with Bob Gallagher, special administrative assistant to the Secretary of Energy for petroleum affairs, three weeks ago. "He said there was no way in the world that the Commerce Department would take such action," Hughes said. "There is

no political support for it." Hughes said that motorists are accustomed to cheap fuel, and the perception, right or wrong, is that an increase in crude oil would mean an increase at the gas pump. The PPROA spokesman also said the association's board has gone on record as opposing government involvement in the industry. Consequently, he said, they don't feel that asking the federal government to step in and impose increased tariffs is consistent with their position of trying to keep the government out of the industry.

"We just feel it is inconsistent to try to get the government out of our lives with environmental rules and ask them to help here," Hughes said. The dispute already has fractured the oil industry, with Big Oil pitted against the struggling independent producers. At issue is a petition filed by an Oklahoma-based group of independent oil companies charging that Saudi Arabia, Mexico, Iraq and Venezuela have violated U.S. trade laws by selling oil in this country for less than it costs them to produce it. The petition also argues that produc-

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Shoppers turn out for tax-free buying holiday

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Consumers and merchants alike scored big over the weekend with the statewide tax-free holiday. Held a few days before the 1999-2000 school year begins, sales on clothing and shoes for school students were welcome to parents of school students. "Wonderful," was the description of the weekend's outcome given by Dunlap's store manager Christy Parker as she was pleased with the outcome.

Beall's store manager Kathryn Phillips said Friday and Saturday were record days for the local store. "It went terrific. We had a fantastic business over the weekend," said Phillips. "Our 7 a.m. opening sale was well worth it."

The first tax free week-end in Texas seemed to be a success throughout the community as local store personnel said shoppers turned out in record numbers in Pampa during the statewide holiday from midnight Thursday through Sunday. The special tax-free week-end was approved by the Texas legislature during the last session. The legislation eliminated taxes from purchases of clothes and shoes on items not over \$100 for the three-day weekend. Dunlap's local store elected to not charge sales tax on any merchandise sold during the three-day period while most stores were.

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Area rains 'better than a dirt storm'

A light rain was falling in Pampa at dawn this morning, although Pampa reported an official 0.05 inches of moisture as of 6 a.m. today. Panhandle reported light rain about 7 a.m. today. Hemphill County authorities reported more pyrotechnics than moisture. Officials in Canadian said they received a lot of thunder and lightning and only a light rain. Wheeler County officials reported rain at dawn this morning. Officials said they received a heavy, slow moving rain beginning about 5:30 a.m. today. The rain started in Shamrock about 4:30 a.m., officials said. Jim Hopkins with the Shamrock Police Department said a light rain was still falling shortly after 8 a.m. today. "It's better than a dirt storm," Hopkins said. The heaviest rains reportedly fell south of Interstate 40. Amarillo reported an official 0.89 of an inch of moist overnight at Amarillo International Airport. Bushland on the west side of Amarillo reported 0.3 of an inch of rain as of 1 a.m. Happy reported an unofficial 2.1 inches. About 1.5 inches fell near Hereford. Dalhart reported 0.07 inches of rain as of 2 a.m. today.

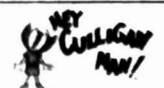
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Private ownership of big cats on rise Texas has few regulations

DALLAS (AP) — Animal sanctuary officials say the state's failure to regulate the ownership of exotic felines means more Texans are acquiring — and then often abandoning — the big cats. Private ownership of lions, tigers, cougars and other exotic felines is on the rise across the country, and particularly in Texas, experts say. Meanwhile, animal sanctuary and shelter directors say they're near capacity. "It's a phenomenon in Texas that's unique," Dennis White of the regional office of the Humane Society of the United States told The Dallas Morning News for Sunday editions. "In the eight states surrounding Texas, there are some exotic animal issues, but nothing compared to Texas." Merritt Clinton, of Clinton, Wash., studies incident reports.

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Daily Record

Obituaries

MILDRED BENTLEY

WHITE DEER — Mildred Bentley, 88, died Sunday, Aug. 8, 1999, at Panhandle. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Bentley was born Jan. 18, 1911, in Hardeman County near Quanah, the fourth of 10 children born to James Riley and Lula Pearl Beach. She was raised on a farm two miles west of Wellington and spent part of her childhood at Riley and near Mason. She attended West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon.

She taught seven grades for Enterprise School District where nine students were enrolled. She later taught first and second grades at Magic City, with an enrollment of 62 students. She met Paul Bentley at Magic City and the couple were married April 14, 1932; he died in 1985 after 53 years of marriage. They lived at Magic City until moving to White Deer in 1975.

She spent the last three years in nursing facilities in Pampa and Panhandle.

She was preceded in death by a great-grandson, Jeremy Blodgett, in 1995; and by a granddaughter, Kathy Ginn, in 1997.

Survivors include three daughters, Pauline Sutterfield of Amarillo, Jeri Blodgett of White Deer and Gayle McKay of Apple Valley, Minn.; two sons, Eddie Ray Bentley of Alamogordo, N.M., and Mack Bentley of Wheeler; two sisters, Lora Warren of Westminster, Colo., and Lucia Lummus of Denison; a brother, Calvin Beach of Roysa City; 14 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to White Deer Senior Citizens Center or to White Deer EMS.

WILLIAM McCLESKY TYE

FLOYDADA — William McClesky Tye, 81, brother of a Wheeler resident, died Saturday, Aug. 7, 1999. Services were Sunday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Anthony Sisemore officiating and the Rev. Wendell Horn, pastor of First United Methodist Church, assisting. Burial was in Floyd County Memorial Park under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home.

Mr. Tye was born at Floydada and attended school there and at White Deer. He married Edna Beth Wilson in 1937 at Fairview Community. He owned Tye Drilling Company for 31 years and was an engineer at Caprock Hospital for 20 years.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II.

He belonged to First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Edna; a daughter, Jane Pruitt of Floydada; a son, Jim Tye of Lubbock; two sisters, Betty Lou Simpson of Floydada and Carolyn Marble of South Plains; a brother, Jim Tye of Wheeler; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Floydada EMS, P.O. Box 373, Floydada, TX 79235; or to a favorite charity.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, August 7

Holley Ruth Crutcher, 29, 921 Schneider, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Sunday, August 8

Matthew B. Cooper, 33, Amarillo, was arrested on charges of violation of probation.

Lasandra N. Johnson, 31, 329 Jean, was arrested on charges of theft from Potter and Randall County.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of Pampa:

Wheat	2.31	NC	49 3/4	up 1/2
Milo	3.10	NC	22 15/16	up 3/16
Corn	3.49	NC	88 1/16	up 1/14
Soybeans	3.84	NC	49 5/16	up 1/16
		NC	5	dn 1/16
		NC	19 9/16	up 1/16
		NC	57 9/16	dn 1/16
		NC	44 7/8	dn 5/16
		NC	40 1/16	NC
		NC	104 1/16	up 13/16
		NC	24 7/8	dn 1/16
		NC	34 1/2	NC
		NC	42	dn 1/2
		NC	51 15/16	up 5/8
		NC	11 5/16	up 1/16
		NC	64 1/8	up 13/16
		NC	21 3/4	up 3/16
		NC	63 7/8	up 5/8
		NC	25	up 3/8
		NC	40 7/8	dn 3/8
		NC	41 3/4	up 5/8
		NC	256 15	up 5/8
		NC	540	up 5/8
		NC	20 56	up 5/8

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Occidental	20	NC
Magellan	121.72	NC
Puntan	19.93	NC

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:

Americo	118 1/8	dn 1/2
Arco	93 3/16	NC
Cabot	24 1/4	up 1/8
Cabot O&G	18 1/16	dn 1/8
Chevron	96 3/16	up 3/8

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OIL

tion is being unfairly subsidized by the foreign governments.

The International Trade Association, a Commerce agency, was to decide whether the oilmen's petition had proper standing, allowing the case to proceed. If rejected, the decision could be appealed to a special court, but such a process could take years.

The agency in recent weeks has been taking comments from hundreds of small oil producers, major energy users and the larger oil companies. Under the law, 25 percent of the industry must support the petition for it to be accepted.

Hughes said today that major oil companies import oil from other countries. The major oil companies such as Exxon and Texaco are multinational and import their own oil from overseas. To add an import tariff would hurt them; therefore, they oppose the petition.

If the allegations are found to be true it would amount to illegal dumping of oil in violation of federal anti-dumping laws. The United States would be obligated to impose tariffs and penalties against such imports, amounting in some cases to as much as a 170 percent increase in the price of a barrel of imported oil.

As a practical matter, Hughes said the major oil companies are large contributors to both political

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and reports during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Aug. 7

Michael K. Deshazo, 29, 705 Doucette, was arrested on six warrants.

Dustin Levi Jefferis, 20, 617 Lefors, was arrested on charges of failure to control speed, failure to appear, failure to stop and give information, and driving an unsafe vehicle.

Erika Lapka Wadsworth, 29, 1005 S. Farley, was arrested on charges of simple assault.

Sunday, Aug. 8

Brent J. Bradford, 36, 412 Quail Lane, was arrested on charges of forgery and resisting arrest.

James Edward Walling, 46, 421 Hazel, was arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon/family violence.

Luis E. Zamarsa, 28, 615 N. Lefors, was arrested on charges of assault by theft.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Aug. 7

3:06 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one to Golden Plains Hospital in Borger.

3:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded east on Highway 60 and the loop and transported one to PRMC.

8:53 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of North Nelson; no transport.

9:06 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the Jordan Unit and transported one patient to PRMC.

10:46 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of West Foster and transported one to PRMC.

Sunday, Aug. 8

1:48 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported one to PRMC.

7:08 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Varnon and transported one to PRMC.

11:36 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of North Ballard; no transport.

3:54 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of North Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

10:30 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2300 block of Evergreen and transported one to PRMC.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, August 7

4:12 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 1/4 mile north of Highway 152 and Gray 2 on a grass fire.

10:48 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 600 block of West Foster on a medical assist.

Sunday, August 8

10:57 a.m. — One unit and two personnel responded north of Highway 152 on Gray 2 on a controlled burn.

11:42 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 400 block of north Ballard on a medical assist.

3:54 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to Coronado Center on a medical assist.

7:22 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1000 block of Mary Ellen on a fire alarm.

Emergency numbers

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Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
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Water	669-5830

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eliminating the tax on what the legislature had allowed for shoes and clothes. Parker said store customers responded favorably to the storewide tax free sale, as there had been confusion as to what was tax-free and what was not.

"It was very easy for the customers," said Parker. "The resulting sales volume was well worth the tax-free weekend. Our volume was tripled, and staying open on Sunday for the special sale was well worth it." Dunlap's will have to pay the sales tax on items which they sold during the 72 hour period and did not charge tax.

Parker said the local store plans to do the sale again next year.

Beall's store manager Kathryn Phillips said

Friday and Saturday were record days for the local store. "It went terrific. We had a fantastic business over the weekend," said Phillips. "Our 7 a.m. opening sale was well worth it."

She said she was very pleased with the sale results.

Bill Hite, owner of Heard and Jones, said the traffic in his store during the three-day period was excellent. "There were a lot of people out," said Hite. His store had only three items—underwear, socks and Depends—which were covered by the non-taxable sale over the weekend.

Wal-Mart Manager James Shafer said Friday and Saturday were definitely good days for the local store. He said Saturday was slower, and he felt shoppers possibly went out of town to shop. Shafer said it was a good weekend for the department store.

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RIFLE

"The industrial revolution was underway," he said. "We had to have leather belts to run the machines of industry."

Hunters began to shoot buffalo just for the hides. The price for a hide ranged from a dollar to four dollars a piece.

In 1870, hunters were shooting buffalo with Springfield 50-70s.

"That would be a .50 caliber bullet and 70 grains of black powder," Gilbert said.

Remington developed a rolling block rifle. Sharps developed a drop block rifle.

The Sharps Gilbert, he says, only weighs 12 pounds.

"This one is light as buffalo hunter weapons go," he said.

The Square House Museum has one on display that is perhaps more typical. It weighs 14 pounds, 14 ounces. It was shipped from the factory in Bridgeport, Conn., to Camp Supply, later Fort Supply, near present day Woodward, Okla. It was eventually acquired by a former manager of the JA Ranch near Clarendon.

"A buffalo hunter would get out on the range," Gilbert said, "and he would shoot as many buffalo as he and his crew could skin in a day."

Skinner might get 20 to 25 cents a piece for each hide, Gilbert said.

"A good skinner might do 40, 45, maybe 50 hides a day," he said.

One skinner claimed the record for 65 buffalo skinned in one day, Gilbert said, but another heard about it and skinned 77 in one day.

"That's quite a feat," Gilbert said.

The second skinner finished early enough that he staked them all out, fur side down, skin side up.

"It's really quite a record," Gilbert said. "A buffalo hunter would really not want to shoot more animals than he could skin in a day. If he had to leave them overnight and work on them the next day, they'd bloat and stink and be hard to skin."

Gilbert tells another story about a buffalo hunter

who made a bet in the Long Branch Saloon in Dodge City in the fall of 1872 that he could shoot more than anybody ever had out of a given bunch. He went out southwest of Dodge and in 45 minutes, he shot 110 buffalo.

"Later he broke his own record and shot something over 200," Gilbert said. "The most buffalo shot in a day, I believe, that record was held by Brick Bond, so-called because his hair was brick red," Gilbert said. "Working out of Dodge City, he shot 300 one day and 855 in two months."

Bond used a Big 50. The cartridge was 2.5 inches long. It would have maybe a 110 gains of powder, depending upon the weight of the bullet being used, Gilbert said.

It was not uncommon to fire enough shots that the barrel would get dangerously hot. Sometimes, Gilbert said, hunters would carry water to cool the barrels. Sometimes, they would just urinate down the barrel.

"It was a hot, salty solution," he said. "It smelled terrible, but it helped clean the bore."

Buffalo hunters were interested in making money so if they had to buy their ammunition from a store, Zimmerman's in Dodge City or Conrad's in Fort Griffin, the store bought bullets cost more than if they loaded their own.

"They bought patch paper by the feet," Gilbert said. "They bought primers by the thousands. They bought black powder and lead by the pound so they could roll their own out on the range."

Warner still uses his Sharps 45-70 to shoot coyotes and feral hogs.

"It makes a hog sit up and take notice," he said.

The Clarendon native said he first became interested in black powder shooting about seven or eight years ago after he had a heart attack and had to retire. He had been a plant biologist, teaching at North Texas State, West Texas State and Oklahoma State Universities.

Coming from a ranch family background, Warner said the hunting and the interest in antique weapons seemed natural.

"I love to play with this stuff," he said.

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RAINS

The National Weather Service at Amarillo said the overnight rains brought the total for August to 2.04 inches, some 1.25 inches above normal. For the year, Amarillo reported more than 23 inches, about 10.5 inches more than normal.

The forecast for Pampa is for more thunder-

storms this evening through Wednesday. Highs will reach into the 90 degree range during the days and drop to the upper 60s at night.

At 6 a.m. today, Lubbock reported 69 degrees and cloudy skies. Childress reported 72 degrees. It was 64 degrees in Dalhart. Amarillo reported cloudy skies and 68 degrees. It was 68 degrees with a light rain in Pampa.

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BIG CATS

involving exotic felines across the country for his newsletter Animal People. He estimates that as many as 4,000 cats — 40 percent of privately owned exotic felines nationwide — live in Texas.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regulated exotic animals until 1997 when the Legislature transferred responsibilities to individual cities and counties.

Animal welfare advocates say this created a gap.

"It was like they hung a neon sign that said, 'Come here and breed and sell your cats,'" said Pam Burney, an adviser to the Texas Animal Control Association.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials say they didn't have the resources to properly regulate the animals.

While many Texas counties and cities have put exotic-feline regulations on their books, others have done nothing, said Cile Holloway of the Texas Humane Legislation Network, an animal welfare lobbying group that is pushing for new statewide legislation.

"We need consistent legislation

across the state," she said. "If the county passes something, all I have to do is simply move or sell the animal. You may be eliminating part of the problem, but it just moves to another county."

Sanctuary officials predict the boom in private ownership will continue because of declining prices.

Five or six years ago, tigers cost \$5,000 to \$8,000 each, said Richard Gilbreth, executive director of the International Exotic Feline Sanctuary in Boyd. Today, they sometimes can be bought for as little as \$250 to \$500.

"For \$250, they'll say, 'I'm going to buy it,'" Gilbreth said. "In about six months, it weighs 100 pounds. Then what do they do with it? People are just dumping them, shirking their responsibility."

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Dallas and Fort Worth. It was 75 at Victoria, 77 at San Angelo, 80 in Houston and 84 in Del Rio. High clouds were increasing across the High Plains, especially from near Childress to Wichita Falls.

Showers and a few thunderstorms developed across parts of the Panhandle. The showers stretched from south and south-east of Amarillo to near Childress.

Some high clouds were streaming across West Texas as well.

Winds were generally southerly at less than 10 mph.

Through Wednesday, afternoon highs should continue from 98 to 105 degrees, with overnight lows in the middle 70s to lower 80s. It should be 100 to 102 along the Rio Grande.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly cloudy today with a 20 percent chance of rain and a high of 95 with south-southeast winds at 5-15 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain with a low in the upper 60s and south-southwest winds at 5-15 mph. Tomorrow, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain and a high of 95. Yesterday's high was 90; the overnight low 68. Rainfall measured .05 inches.

PANHANDLE — Tonight, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low in the upper 60s. South to southwest wind 5 to 15 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms. High in the lower 90s. South to south-

west wind 5-15 mph. **STATEWIDE** — A heat advisory remains in effect for North Texas and the Del Rio area today as a persistent upper-level system holds a grip on the region, driving clouds and moisture away.

A slight chance of thunderstorms in eastern and northern parts of the region is providing some hope for relief. Isolated showers and thunderstorms are also expected in Southeast Texas.

Sunday's high of 104 degrees in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex was the eleventh straight day the mercury has been at or above the century mark, including the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Overnight lows ranged from 73 degrees at Childress to 85 in

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Band to play at Chautauque



Turning Point, a Christian rock group, recently performed at the Downtown Business Association Day. The band regularly plays at The Coffee House and has a performance planned for this year's Chautauque. Members consist of, upper photo, Jeff Dunn, vocals and guitar; Shawn Clifton, lead guitar; Cory Searl; bass guitar; and Donny Hooper on the drums. Lower photo, Donny Hooper of the band Turning Point poses with his new drum set. Cory Searl, bass player, observes in the background.

White House: Council to combat propaganda

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration, dismayed by the success of anti-American propaganda worldwide, is striking back with an information offensive of its own: a State Department unit that will control the flow of government news overseas, especially during crises.

The new International Public Information group, or IPI, will coordinate the dissemination of news from the State Department, Pentagon and other U.S. agencies. "What this is intended to do is organize the instruments of the federal government to be able to support the public diplomacy, military engagements and economic initiatives that we have overseas," said David Leavy, spokesman for the White House's National Security Council.

In the recent Kosovo war, the Pentagon, State Department and White House poured out information each day but no single agency tried to assemble it so that the United States spoke with a coordinated message overseas.

The group came about partly in response to the spread of unflattering or erroneous information about the United States received abroad via electronic mail, the Internet, cellular telephones and other communications advances.

In many respects, the new information group is a smaller, less structured successor to the independent U.S. Information Agency, which the State Department will absorb in October.

A new office of undersecretary of state for public diplomacy will run the IPI. The current USIA director, Evelyn Lieberman, has been nominated for the job.

President Clinton signed a directive April 30, in the thick of the Kosovo war, that set out plans for IPI, although the White House did not formally announce the group's existence or role.

An unclassified mission statement obtained by The Associated Press described IPI's role:

"Effective use of our nation's highly developed communications and information capabilities to address misinformation and incitement, mitigate inter-ethnic conflict, promote independent media organizations and the free flow of information, and support democratic participation will advance our interests and is a critical

foreign policy objective," the document said. Joan Mower, director of Latin American and African programs for the Freedom Forum, said she worries the coordinated effort may filter information that should be broadly available to foreign reporters.

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"My feeling is that the more information is out there, the better," she said.

The IPI will hold its first formal meeting this fall, said a government official involved in the process. Clinton's directive orders officials at the Pentagon, FBI, CIA and the departments of State, Commerce and Treasury to organize the group. Regular members will be senior diplomats and others in foreign policy or national security jobs in Washington, according to the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The rationale for IPI dates at least to the confusion and bad press surrounding U.S. intervention in Haiti in 1994-1995, but Kosovo is the best recent example of how the United States needs to fight a propaganda war in concert with military strikes, officials said.

"President (Slobodan) Milosevic has an extensive propaganda machine," Leavy said. "We've worked very hard to try to counteract that propaganda machine, and make sure the people in Serbia and in Kosovo have access to their own news — that they can make their own independent judgments."

Anti-American sentiment ran high during the 78-day air war, even among Yugoslavs who did not support the Yugoslav president. Many Europeans also were leery of the airstrikes, seen as a U.S. enterprise, and reluctant to level hefty military power against a modern European capital.

The air war that ended in June also produced one of the worst diplomatic and public relations disasters in recent memory when a U.S. plane mistakenly bombed the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade on May 7, killing three Chinese journalists.

Outraged mobs rushed the American Embassy in Beijing, trapping then-Ambassador James Sasser inside for a time. It was days before the United States could get its official apology before the Chinese people at large, and the U.S. explanation was greeted with disdain by both the Chinese government and the rock-throwing street mobs.

More and more summer camps employing high-tech gadgetry

RAYMOND, Maine (AP) — Heads up, campers. Look this way, bunch up together, and smile for the camera. We want to show mom and dad you're having a good time!

Welcome to Camp Pinehurst, where director Jack Curtis has a new job: cyberphotographer.

Despite concerns of poisoning the rustic camp experience with high-tech gadgetry, more and more camps are using computers and the Internet to offer pictures of happy campers for their parents back home.

For Curtis, it's both good fun and good marketing. And it reassures parents like Pat Zapert of Dracut, Mass., who logged onto the Internet to make sure that her 12-year-old son, Brian, was having fun.

"This allowed us to see that he was alive and well and obviously enjoying himself," she said. "I used it virtually every day."

One of the photos showed Brian helping throw a friend in the water as a birthday gag. Another showed him eating strawberry shortcake at a Fourth of July party.

Photos also showed the boys resting after a Sunday afternoon hike up Rattlesnake Mountain near the camp in southwest Maine.

The digital photos, which Curtis posts daily on Camp Pinehurst's World Wide Web site, serve the purpose of both promoting the camp and boosting attendance, he says. If nothing else, they have cut down on the number of phone calls from anxious parents.

After all, summer camp is often a child's first extended trip away from home, and the rite of passage can be rougher on parents than on the children, camp directors say.

"That first summer is really, really hard, as a parent, because you don't have any sense of what

your child is doing up there," said Lisa Samel, also of Dracut, whose 12-year-old son Alex just returned from camp.

For Curtis, the photos have become part of the daily routine, like getting the kids fed and monitoring activities like hiking, target practice and swimming or canoeing on Crescent Lake. He loads the photographs directly into a computer using a program that lets him update the Web site without arcane computer codes.

It remains to be seen how many other camps will follow suit.

Don Bulens, president and chief executive officer of Trellix

Corp., which makes the program used by Curtis, is betting on growing demand for Web sites among small businesses, including camps.

But Ed Andrews, a former executive director of the American Camping Association, said the Web may have limited appeal in an industry that sometimes bans devices as simple as portable radios.

"Some camp directors feel that the incursion of technology into what is supposed to be a respite from city life is inappropriate," said Andrews, a consultant to the Maine Youth Camping Association.

Prince Charles, Camilla on Love Boat; Couple shakes off tabloid army at sea

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — There are thousands of islands in Greece. And floating near one of them is a tabloid newspaper's dream: a picture of Britain's Prince Charles on a luxury cruise with his longtime love Camilla Parker-Bowles.

Helicopters and speed boats hired by British, Greek and other news organizations have so far failed to spot the Alexander, the 402-foot yacht that set off Thursday on the 10-day cruise.

Chasing Charles — or other members of the royal clan — is a routine pursuit among the intensely competitive British tabloids. But this trip offers a blockbuster element: a glimpse of the prince and Ms. Parker-Bowles relaxing together in the sultry Greek summer along with Charles' two sons, Princes William and Harry.

The lack of details has not deterred British papers from cranking out columns of speculation and supposition on events aboard the yacht, dubbed the "Love Boat" by several papers.

"Yacht get together was

News and picture editors at one major British newspaper, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said a holiday shot of Charles and Camilla could sell for anything between \$800 and \$80,000.

William's idea," wrote the tabloid Sun last week.

The papers also have mulled over whether 17-year-old William will indulge in a romantic fling on the cruise. The queen, however, is apparently not amused by the Greek get-away, the papers have suggested.

In a somber twist, the last time such a British-led royal hunt was mounted in Greece was for Diana just weeks before her death in 1997.

News editors were left hoping that a British tourist on holiday might spot the yacht and tip off a newspaper or that William and Harry, 14, venture out on their own to a Greek island nightclub.

At least six helicopters have been in the air or standing by to track

down the vessel, in a frenzy costing tens of thousands of dollars to follow up rumors and hunches on the prince's whereabouts.

One Greek agency was charging \$5,000 to rent a helicopter for five hours and \$1,500 for daily hire of a speed boat. On Sunday, the hunt focused on the western island of Zakynthos but there was no reported sighting of the couple.

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If a tourist spots the royals and phones in the tip, cash rewards are generous if the information checks out.

The Alexander's owner, Greek shipping tycoon John Latsis, is used to guarding the privacy of influential friends.

Past cruise guests include former President Bush, retired Gen. Colin Powell and actor Marlon Brando — as well as Charles and Diana before their separation.

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Copies of the filing are available at the Energas Office at 5110-80th Street, Lubbock Texas 79424.

Bullies Roam the Hallways In Schools Across the U.S.A.

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in response to the letter from "A Mom Who Loves Her Son, Anywhere, U.S.A." She arranged counseling for her angry son, and she wrote hoping that publicity will be given to counselors specializing in adolescents. She also mentioned that the apparent reason for her son's unhappiness and anger was that he "felt intimidated and threatened by groups of older students at his large suburban high school."



Abigail Van Buren

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This behavior has a name. It's called *bullying*, and it victimizes millions of schoolchildren every year. Presumably, if the son had not been bullied, he would not have become so angry and would not have needed counseling. Surely this is a perfect example of why there is a need for "prevention" — the elimination of bullying.

"Mom" wrote in response to the tragedy in Littleton. Immediately after the tragedy, young people themselves also responded by identifying bullying as a serious problem in our schools.

Students in Hillsboro High School in Nashville, Tenn., created the "I Will Pledge" and urged fellow students to sign the pledge not to mock or bully others who dress, act, look or talk differently. At the time, these student observations and efforts were reported in the media. Now the media no longer look to these young experts for input and advice, but have reverted to reporting and quoting only adult "experts" who appear not to have heard the

youth. While gun control and violence in the media certainly must be addressed, the adult policymakers and administrators do not seem to grasp the urgent importance of dealing with bullying consistently over the long term in a public and publicized way.

Only with raised awareness of the widespread and devastating consequences of bullying will society be able to rid itself of the attitude that teasing and taunting are "just something to put up with." Only with raised awareness will educators and school personnel realize and accept that only they can accomplish zero tolerance of the bullying that occurs daily in classrooms, restrooms, hallways, cafeterias, playgrounds and on school buses. Only with raised awareness will millions of silently suffering children from elementary school through high school be spared this humiliation and pain.

ANOTHER MOM WHO LOVES HER SON, ANYWHERE, U.S.A. DEAR MOM: You have expressed it beautifully. Your thinking parallels my own.

Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I am 12 years old. Starting in the fourth grade, no one in my class really cared for me. A boy named "Tom" and a girl named "Megan" were the exceptions. After fourth grade, Megan gave in to peer pressure, so Tom and I were the outcasts. At the end of the year, Tom moved — so I spent the first half of the sixth grade as the lone outcast.

My family and I moved to Iowa about a year ago. I enrolled in school and for the first few days I was accepted. Then one day I said or did something that offended the other kids and my old life came back. I am haunted with the name-calling and teasing and feel like I'm going crazy.

I came home from school crying, and have even mentioned suicide to my mom. The teachers have helped some, and I've spoken to two counselors. Today I thought of having a train hit my arm, with the intention of breaking it, to prove my seriousness. Please help me. 12-YEAR-OLD WEIRDIE IN IOWA

DEAR 12-YEAR-OLD: You are not alone with this problem; you have lots of company. Suicide is not the answer, nor is breaking your arm. You need intensive professional counseling immediately. Please ask your mother to write to me so I can advise her more fully. I promise that your situation will improve.

Use your savvy and intelligence to make money. You are on a high cycle, knowing what you need and what to do. Listen to your instincts with others, they might reveal a lot more than they realize. Career and daily matters need balancing. Restructure your life. Eliminate excess. Tonight: Balance your budget.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Finally, you get it together and are ready to move on an important work-related project. Your personality helps melt others' resistance, which could be significant. Allow creativity and spontaneity to merge. You see a new side of another and of a personal situation. Others admire your style. Tonight: Your call.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Take some time off to relax. You need time to review where you are coming from. It is likely that you have changed more than you realize. Listen carefully to feedback. Someone at a distance has an unusual perspective on you. Tonight: Take a break from all of your obligations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Aim for what you want, now that you have a partner in your pocket. This person is more than willing to support you in any way possible. Together, you are capable of making a substantial amount of money. Go over short-term obligations as well as goals. Don't skip a step or miss a beat. Tonight: With friends.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Others look to you for leadership and guidance. You give good advice and know how to direct others to their

goals. Decide how much you want to invest in your career and image. You could find that priorities change. Why fix something that is working? Tonight: Put in extra hours.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** You reverse a stand, but no one is really surprised. You've been changing a lot; others have observed how different you are. Mobilize your high energy and get the job done. Others feel like you have a lot going for you, and you do. Cruise through work. Tonight: Off to the gym.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Get down to basics with associates. Don't let "fluff" divert your attention. A relationship could be most enticing, but remember where your priorities are. Reconstruct financial agreements so that they work for you. Another will attempt to distract you. Follow through on paperwork, even if it is boring. Tonight: Be vulnerable.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Others clearly seek you out and want you. Think about limits you have established within your home life. Consider opening a door. Caring flows between you and a friend — could there possibly be more between you? Allow friends the same spontaneity you allow yourself. Tonight: Where the crowds are. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** You might not be sure which way to go with work. You could be overwhelmed by a boss who changes course. Staying on top of what is going on puts a great deal on your plate. Pace yourself; know what must be done. Be focused on the job. Tonight: Clear your desk first.

For Better or For Worse



Horoscope

TUESDAY, AUG. 10, 1999

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** What once was difficult now becomes easy. Your need to convince others as well as yourself might encourage spending. Be clear about what you are doing. Make calls. Consider that long-overdue trip. You might not have the whole picture just yet. Ask more questions. Tonight: Finding a reason to celebrate won't be difficult.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** Take a personal matter into consideration. You might feel like you have it all under control; actually, there are signs that you may have pushed beyond your limits. A partner helps you figure out exactly what has happened here. Tonight: Home, or wherever you feel most comfortable.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Conversations flow, though you might not understand just how much of yourself you are revealing. Others make a point of asking your opinions. You might be flattered as another's actions signal a change in your relationship. Still, it's best to play your cards close to your chest. Tonight: At a favorite place.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 6 Boston orchestra
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- 14 Groom oneself
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- 16 Greek consonant
- 18 Golf need
- 19 Julia Roberts movie
- 22 Compass pt.
- 23 Stink
- 24 Trolley sound
- 27 Coats with metal
- 28 Top-notch
- 29 Balloon contents
- 30 Julia Roberts movie
- 35 Had lunch
- 36 Excavated
- 37 West of films
- 38 Australian wild dog
- 40 Andean animal
- 42 Make invalid
- 43 Gung-ho
- 44 Whale schools



Saturday's answer

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- 2 Orderly layout
- 3 Makes invalid
- 4 Greek vowel
- 5 Taking a breather
- 6 Invigorate
- 7 Flowing need
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- 17 Top card
- 20 Basic belief
- 21 Kind of setter or stew
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- 25 Blackout crime
- 26 Reception aid
- 27 Goose groups
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Scientists: Genetic flaw may cause sleep disorder

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Medical Editor

BOSTON (AP) — Scientists believe they have discovered a genetic flaw deep within the brain that causes narcolepsy, the bizarre disorder that makes people fall asleep without warning.

An estimated 135,000 Americans have narcolepsy, and until now its cause has been a mystery. Experts say the latest discovery should offer solid clues for finding better treatments.

Two groups of scientists, working independently, found that narcoleptics' overwhelming urge to fall asleep may result from a glitch in signals sent between cells in the hypothalamus, a part of the brain that regulates appetite and other basic drives.

The genetic foul-up was documented only in dogs and mice. But researchers say they are confident that a similar defect will be shown to be at fault in some human cases, although the origins of the disease are almost certainly far more complex in people than in animals.

"Clearly, these two papers will revolutionize the field of sleep research," predicted Juliette Faraco of

For the latest discoveries, the Texas team bred mice that were missing one gene and would keel over asleep while racing on their running wheels.

Stanford University, a geneticist who co-authored one of the studies.

The Stanford research, directed by Dr. Emmanuel Mignot, is being published in Friday's issue of the journal Cell. Another study reaching similar conclusions was conducted by Dr. Masashi Yanagisawa of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. It will be published in Cell on Aug. 20.

Other researchers have found genes that control circadian rhythm, the daily cycle of sleeping and waking. But Faraco said the new research is the first discovery of a gene that directly regulates sleep itself.

For the latest discoveries, the Texas team bred mice that were missing one gene and would keel over asleep while racing on their running wheels. The Stanford team worked with Doberman pinschers and Labrador retrievers that have an inherited form of narcolepsy.

Like these animals, people with narcolepsy are overcome by uncontrollable urges to sleep, often at inconvenient times, such as when driving. Unlike folks taking ordinary naps, they fall immediately into the deepest stage of sleep, called REM. Some may suffer sleep paralysis, a terrifying inability to move shortly after awakening. Others have especially vivid dreams.

One common feature is called cataplexy, which is when people suddenly lose consciousness and fall down. Strong emotions, such as anger, surprise or laughter, often trigger this disconcerting collapse.

Narcoleptic dogs get cataplexy, too, during moments of tail-wagging excitement. "You show them a doggy biscuit and ker-flop, they go down on the ground," said Faraco.

The Stanford team traced the condition in these dogs to a gene that makes a receptor — a bit of material on the surface of brain cells that allow them to get signals from other cells. This particular receptor hears messages that are transmitted by a protein called hypocretin-2.

When the gene is broken — either because it is missing some code or has extra bits — it makes a receptor that fails to recognize hypocretin-2, so the signal never gets through.

"This work implicates hypocretin in sleep regu-

lation, which gives us a wonderful new handle on how we might approach sleep control" with new medicines, said Dr. Charlotte McCutchen of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, which financed the research.

Instead of treating narcolepsy with stimulants such as amphetamines, which have unwanted side effects, she said, it soon may be possible to find drugs that work solely on the brain's hypocretin system. Medicines could be designed to both prevent sleep in narcoleptics and induce it in insomniacs.

Last year, Yanagisawa discovered that a protein dubbed orexin-B stimulates the appetite. Now it turns out that orexin-B and hypocretin-2 are the same thing.

To study the protein's effects on appetite, Yanagisawa produced gene-altered mice that cannot make orexin-B. The scientists hooked up infrared cameras to watch their eating habits at night, when they are most active.

"We saw this very bizarre change in behavior," Yanagisawa said. "The mice would be grooming, running and burrowing and then all of a sudden they would fall over and stay there for one or two minutes."

At first the scientists suspected epileptic seizures. But further testing showed the mice had fallen into deep REM sleep. Like the Stanford dogs, these mice had cataplexy, caused by their brains' inability to receive signals sent by a potent protein called hypocretin-2 or orexin-B.

Epilepsy Foundation stresses water safety

WASHINGTON — The Epilepsy Foundation has issued guidelines for safe swimming for people who experience seizures.

"Contrary to what some may believe, most people with seizures can participate in swimming, boating and other water sports. But common sense in following a few basic rules are important in avoiding unnecessary accidents," said Steven C. Schachter, MD, chair of Epilepsy Foundation Professional Advisory Board.

The foundation recommends the following safety measures around water:

—Before going out in the water, ask the doctor whether your or your child's seizures are under sufficient control to permit swimming.

—Swim with your child or be certain that another responsible person is in the water with them at all times who knows first aid for seizures.

—A floatation device that supports you or your child's head above water is a good idea. It's especially important for children and, in some cases, adults with seizure disorders.

—Children or adults with seizure disorders should never swim alone. Always swim with a buddy who's a good swimmer.

—Inform lifeguards and swimming teachers that you (or your child) have epilepsy.

—Don't get over-tired or too cold while in the water.

—Don't swim if you have forgotten to take your seizure medication.

—Don't let your seizure medications get wet. Several are known to lose their anticonvulsant effect when exposed to the water.

—If your seizures can be brought on by flashing light, wear polarized sunglasses to reduce the flicker effect of sunlight on the water and other reflective surfaces.

If a seizure occurs in the water, support the individual's head and keep their face out of the water. Bring them to the shore or side of the pool and place them on their side. Check their airway. If water has been ingested or breathing is labored, get medical treatment.

According to Schachter, drowning is a major cause of accidental death among people with epilepsy. "We cannot overemphasize the importance of water safety," Schachter said. "Water presents a significant risk, and this includes showers and, especially, bathtubs — even if there is one inch of water at the bottom."

"Never leave a toddler or young child with epilepsy alone in the bathtub, not even for a moment. If you leave the bathroom for any reason, wrap the child in a towel and take him with you," said Schachter.

When parents should return children to school after illness

HOUSTON — For most parents, sending a child back to school after an illness can be a tough call.

Dr. Jan Drutz, an associate professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine, said the decision

should depend on whether the child is still contagious and how he or she feels.

"If you have a child who is still coughing or sneezing, for the sake of the other children, keep them out

of contact as much as possible," Drutz said.

He offered these guidelines: —Fever: It is best to keep the child who has had fever out of school for 24 hours after the fever is gone.

—Upper respiratory infections: The child should be free of symptoms, like coughing or sneezing, before returning to school.

—Eye infections: A child who has an inflamed or draining eye should be kept out of school until examined by a physician.

—Ear infections: Common ear infections are not contagious. The only reason to keep a child with an ear infection out of school is for his or her own comfort.

Chickenpox: Studies indicate the child is not contagious five days after the lesions appear.

"Even after the child with chickenpox is no longer contagious, most schools still will say they don't want you back until the lesions are all scabbed over," Drutz said.

Parents want to return a child to school as soon as possible, but waiting the appropriate amount of time protects the child and classmates.

American Heart Association
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Help Your Heart Recipes

This recipe is intended to be part of an overall healthy eating plan. Total fat intake should be less than 30 percent of your total calories for a day — not for each food or recipe.

Artichoke-Tomato Pizza Bagels

<p>2 Italian plum tomatoes, chopped</p> <p>1/2 cup frozen artichoke hearts, thawed, drained, and chopped (about 6 ounces)</p> <p>1/2 cup thinly sliced red onion</p> <p>2 teaspoons olive oil</p> <p>1 teaspoon balsamic vinegar</p> <p>1 medium clove garlic, minced, or 1/2 teaspoon bottled minced garlic</p>	<p>1/2 teaspoon salt-free dried Italian herb seasoning, crumbled</p> <p>4 ounces nonfat or part-skim mozzarella cheese, or fat-free mozzarella-flavor soy cheese, shredded (1 cup)</p> <p>2 tablespoons grated Romano cheese</p> <p>4 bagels, split and lightly toasted</p>
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Preheat broiler. Line a broiler-proof pan with aluminum foil. In a medium bowl, combine tomatoes, artichokes, onion, oil, vinegar, garlic, and Italian herb seasoning, stirring well. In a small bowl, combine mozzarella and Romano. Spread tomato mixture on bagel halves and sprinkle with cheese mixture. Place bagels on broiler pan. Broil about 6 inches from heat until bubbly, 2 to 3 minutes. Serves 8.

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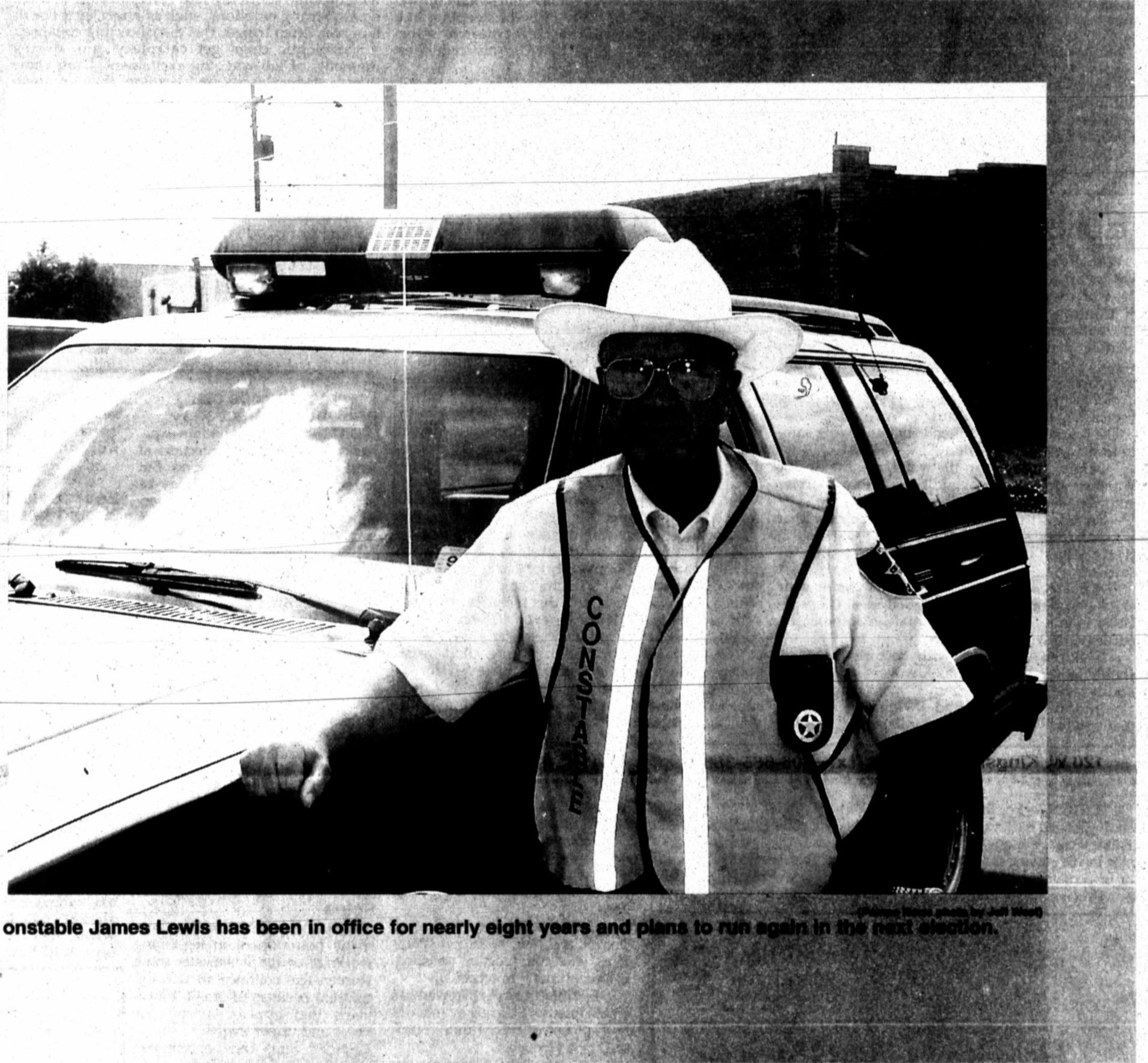
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Senior scenes



Constable James Lewis has been in office for nearly eight years and plans to run again in the next election.

Helping others important to this constable

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

While a lot of people who serve as county constable come from long law enforcement careers at least one had his training in metallurgy or analyzing steel.

That's the line of work that James Lewis was in for 29 years working for Cabot and IRI. Of course, one could just look at the steel analysis as an interim job, according to Lewis. He was an MP when he was in the army.

"I always wanted to go with the DPS but I never did," he said.

After retiring from IRI, Lewis almost immediately began campaigning for the job of constable in 1992. It was quite a campaign, Lewis said. Nine others, including the incumbent, decided to run at the same time. Despite the odds, Lewis won the election and has had the job ever since.

While testing and taking pictures of steel may not prepare you for the rigors of a political campaign being president of the Pampa High Band Boosters can. Especially when the Boosters are trying to raise money to send the band to a marching band contest in Ireland.

It takes a lot of money to send an entire marching band to Ireland even in the

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early 1970s, according to Lewis, and since he was president of the Band Boosters for four years, a lot of it fell to him. They tried just about anything.

"We knocked on a lot of doors," he said. "We had spaghetti suppers and sold caps and sold flags and sold all kinds of articles that would make us some revenue."

He has forgotten exactly how much was raised but said it was close to \$300,000. He is still proud of the Honorary Ambassador of Good Will given him by the nation of Ireland while he was there.

Besides the Pampa Band Boosters, Lewis has served as president of the Pampa Shriners, served on the Lefors Senior Citizens Board of Directors, the Lake McClellan Inc. Board of Directors and many other civic and law enforcement groups.

While other counties have done away with the position of constable or use them in a limited way that is not the case in Gray County. Lewis not only serves many of the county's subpoenas he also

often acts as bailiff in County Court, works with the Lefors city marshal to maintain order in that area and helps other agencies when they need it.

He has fired his weapon only once in the line of duty and that was against a dog in Lefors. He said the dog was acting wild and running loose at the Taylor Mart in town. The dog then ran towards the school and Lewis said acted as though he might have rabies. When the dog threatened anyone who tried to come near he had to act to protect children in the area. An autopsy later revealed the dog did have rabies.

He said he has arrested and help arrest a lot of people in the almost eight years he has been constable but the night he helped arrest Henry Skinner stands out in his mind.

"I helped the Sheriff recover him from a trailer house he had run to after he'd killed those people," Lewis said. Skinner is now on death row for the murders he committed in Pampa.

Lewis said he also arrested four horses one time.

"I took them into custody because they weren't being fed like they were supposed to be. The humane society in Amarillo wouldn't do it and then I read that I could do it. After we fed them and got them back in shape the owner said he would take care of them like he was supposed to. Then he sold them."

Lewis is more upbeat when he talks about some of the good he has had and has done for others.

"I have a good family life," he said speaking of Marilyn, his wife of over 40 years, and three children and seven grandchildren. Without much prompting he'll show a picture of his granddaughter who went to state with the Canyon Eagle women's basketball team.

While he doesn't care for parts of his job, such as evictions, he tries to help many of the people he comes in contact with.

"I try to help any people in need if I can talk to them. I don't try to be a preacher but I sure try to give some good instruction to kids on dope problems and smoking problems and try to help them get on the right track," he said.

"Being a constable is an everyday job and some of the things you do aren't pleasant but the way you do the job can make it easier on folks. Sometimes I can help," he said.

Senior license fees part of trend to catch aging sportsmen's funds

By TERRI LANGFORD
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — For as long as Bill King and other Texas seniors can remember, one of the perks of fishing in the Lone Star State has been that when you turn 65, it's free.

Or at least, it used to be. Four years ago, the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife rescinded the age-65 rule. Two years from now the 63-year-old King will have to keep paying for a fishing license, although at the discounted seniors' fee of \$6. While he didn't think much about it in 1995, King finds the fee a little irritating, especially considering he's paid for a license for some 40 or 50 years.

"Everybody feels like we've been paying it long enough," he said while getting supplies at the Lazy R&R Bait and Tackle Shop on the San Jacinto River. "We should be getting a reprieve."

The Texas agency also is considering eliminating free fishing privileges for older anglers from Louisiana, Kansas and Oklahoma, who now fish for free in Texas under decades-old reciprocal agreements.

"I think it's ridiculous," said angler Erma Massey, 69, even though she was exempt from the new rule when it was put into place four years ago and pays nothing. "The older we get, the worse they treat us."

Added King: "Why are they taking the privileges from the elderly people?"

The simple answer is the nation's wildlife agencies no longer can afford to foot the bill for what soon will be the largest population segment among fishing license holders — sportsmen and women 65 and older.

Some 2 million Texans are now at least 65, Census Bureau figures show. By 2025, those at the end of the

baby boom (those born in 1960) will reach retirement age, for a total of 4.36 million Texans over the age of 65.

As the baby boomers move toward retirement, their sheer numbers are the key to economic survival for Texas and the nation's wildlife agencies. As the number of older anglers increases, so does the number of license holders whose fees make up nearly 40 percent of Texas Parks and Wildlife's \$157.3 million budget.

Instead of waiving fees, wildlife agencies are turning to discounted licenses for older sportsmen and women to avoid facing a serious budget deficit.

"There's no such thing as a free lunch — that's getting truer and truer," said Paul Hammerschmidt, Texas Parks and Wildlife's program director for the coastal fisheries division.

"Texas population is about to double by 2030. And what that means, as people retire and have some money available ... our resources are going to have a lot more fishing pressure on them."

So, in preparation for the changing demographic, Texas and other wildlife agencies have been tweaking the licensing rules.

"I know it has happened over several states over the past few years," said Bob Miles, resource director for the Washington-based International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. "I think what you had is a large segment that was

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purchasing hunting and fishing licenses who were no longer purchasing fishing and hunting licenses. Agencies are forced to fund programs for all people."

But not all people who enjoy the outdoors pay a fee, so those thought to use it more regularly must buy licenses. Fishing or hunting without a license can result in a Class C misdemeanor charge.

"It's not an entitlement, it's a privilege," Hammerschmidt said. "It's like a driver's license."

That privilege among Texas fishing enthusiasts has generated more than \$16 million so far this year in single fishing license sales (excluding fishing licenses sold as part of a hunting-fishing combination package). Another \$244,000 was captured through the senior fishing license sales.

Those numbers helped Texas receive nearly \$18.4 million of the \$378 million generated through federal taxes on sporting equipment.

Fishing and hunting license rolls are a large factor in determining how much federal wildlife money to dole out to each state. If fewer fishing licenses are sold in Texas, the state receives less money from the federal excise tax pie.

That means Texas hunters of all ages pay for a \$19 license, while fishing enthusiasts pay \$19 a year until they hit retirement age.

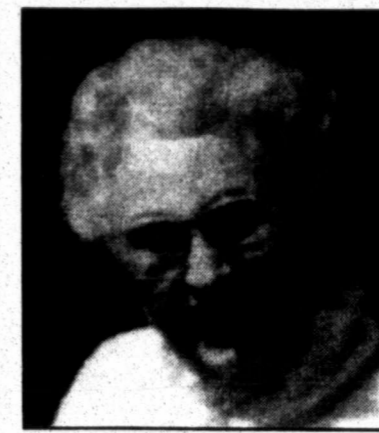
Texas wildlife officials acknowledge that they haven't figured out what to do about the reciprocal agreements with the other states. While senior Texans pay for licenses, their counterparts still get to fish here for free.

Already, Oklahoma has been notified that free Texas fishing for their seniors is about to end.

But for now, it's just not economically feasible to keep up the free fishing, Texas wildlife officials said.

"A discount type of proposal instead of free rides is the way to go," said Mike Ray, Texas Parks and Wildlife's director of field operations for coastal fisheries. "You deserve a discount, not a free ride."

Senior snapshot ...



Name: Grace G. Cleveland.

Birth Date & Place: Feb. 15, 1914, Gould, Okla., farm.

Family: Morgan and Ida (Smith) Stover.

Favorite Childhood Memory: Playing on our creek and trees with my sisters and friends, going to church in the wagon.

When I Grew Up I Wanted To Be: Entertainer, witness for Christ.

My Best Friend was: Reta - Boyette School, Stella - church.

People Remember Me As Being: Kind, outgoing, helping people.

My Favorite Toy: My dolls.

My Favorite Game: Snap - we played at parties.

My Favorite Radio Show: "The Grand Ole Opry."

The First Movie I Ever Saw & The Cost: "Davy Crockett" for 10 cents.

The First Phone I Ever Used Belonged To: My parents.

The Person That Most Influenced My Life: Reggie Shelton, young preacher.

The Historical Event That Most Affected My Life & Why: World War II. My husband Lloyd Cleveland and his four brothers all were in the service at the same time.

The Thing I Remember Most About The Depression Was: The terrible sand storms, April 14, 1935, our wedding, this one made history.

The Biggest Honor I've Ever Received Is: Poetic Achievement Award in 1985.

If I Could Change One Thing About My Past It Would Be: Try to be happy each day. Bring happiness to all people.

My Whole Family Enjoyed: Music, singing, going to church, playing the organ.

The Person From My Childhood I Wish I Could Visit With Today Is: All my family and friends who are in Heaven now.

My First Job Was: Working in department stores.

Year & Make of The First Vehicle I Drove: Model T-Ford, 1925.

Cost of Gasoline When I First Drove: 15-20 cents a gallon.

On My First Date I Went To: The circus.

My Favorite Hang Out Spot Was: Old City Drug Store in Hollis, Okla.

The Fashion Trend Was: Long dresses.

My Favorite Saying Was: Lord, help me to live better.

My Favorite Song Was: "When the Roll is Called up Yonder."

Another Memory I Want To Share Is: The Lord gave me the gift to play the piano. I still share this with nursing homes, church and those who enjoy it. I moved to Pampa June 14, 1996, from Hollis where I lived since I was married in 1935.

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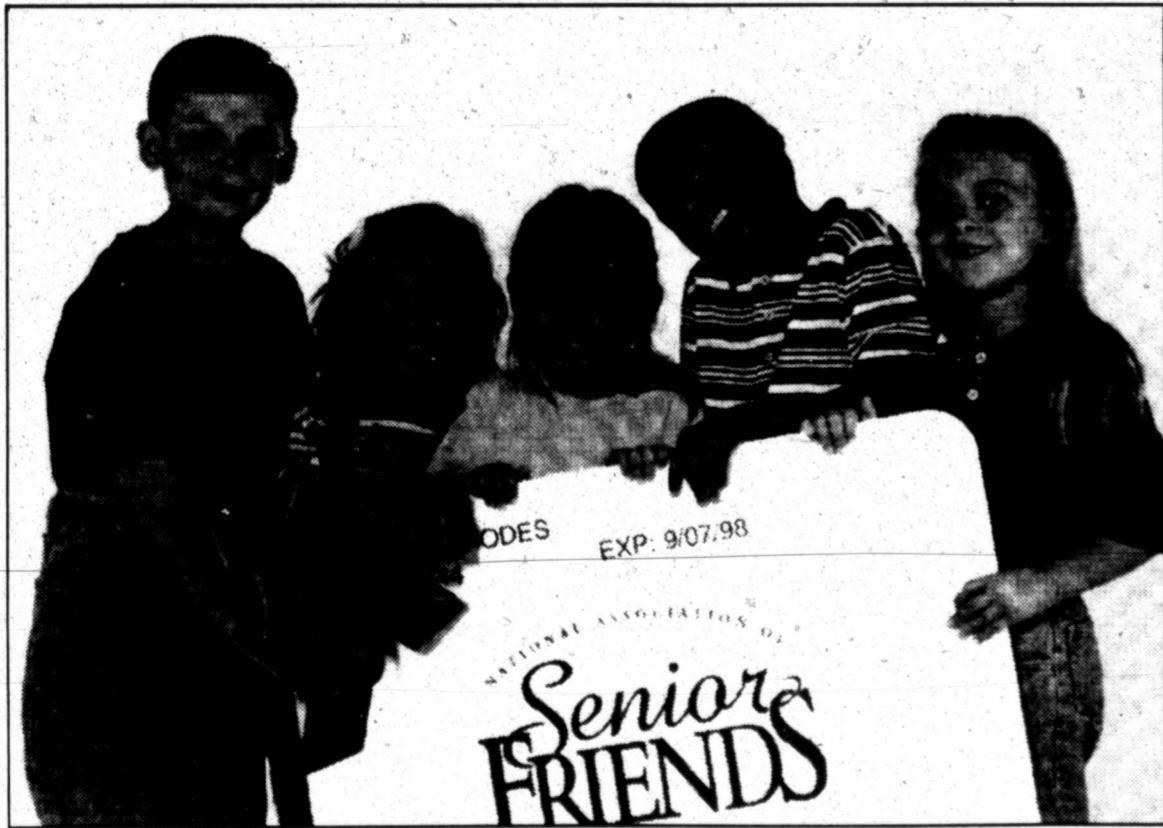
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Survey says age doesn't deter sex life of Seniors

WASHINGTON (AP) — its "Modern Maturity" magazine, devoted to the topic of "great sex." The racy issue is part of AARP's campaign to attract aging Baby Boomers — who came of age during the sexual revolution of the 1960s — as members.

The survey found that more than six in 10 men between the ages of 45 and 59 and a similar percentage of women in middle age report having sex at least once a week. One in four people over age 75 reported similar frequency.

The decline in sexual activity doesn't seem to be caused by a lack of physical attraction between couples as they age, the survey found.

About 59 percent of men between the ages of 45 and 74 say the phrase "physically attractive" strongly applies to their partner, while 62 percent of those over age 75 agree. About half of women in both middle and old age said physical attraction to their partner was strong.

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Healthy vision ...

By Dr. John W. Klein



Dry Eyes

Probably the most common problem seen in the ophthalmologist's office is dry eyes. As we age, the protective tear film on the surface of the eye diminishes. This leaves the delicate tissues of the eye exposed to the drying effects of air, wind, dust and the sun.

It is not a problem in making tears; to the contrary, many patients complain of wet eyes and tearing with this malady. This is because the dryness produces a reflex tearing in an effort to keep the eye well lubricated.

In many people the dryness is worse in the afternoon and evenings. Since we blink less frequently when we read, reading can also aggravate the symptoms of dry eyes. Sometimes environmental factors play a role as well. Dry weather, either in the hot or cold temperatures, robs the eye of needed lubricants. Cigarette smoke, fumes, dust and airborne particles are common irritants. In most patients this condition is NOT associated with any systemic disease.

Symptoms include burning, stinging, or a gritty sensation which may come and go depending on many factors. Itching, tearing, and light sensitivity may bother other patients. Occasionally long strings of mucus can be stretched from a dry eye.

Treatment is helpful in most patients. We cannot cure this condition, so treatment must be an ongoing project. Usually artificial tears, available over the counter, soothe the eyes and give temporary relief. The most commonly used ones are HYPOTEAR, TEARS NATURAL, TEARS PLUS and REFRESH. The problem is they only work for an hour or two, at best, and must be repeated at frequent intervals. Ointments last longer, but they blur vision and are most effective at night. Newer methods of treatment which have an effect on seriously dry eyes are soft contact lenses in combination with artificial tears. Sometimes a slow release medicine under the lower lid is helpful as well.

Much research is being done on this subject because it is such a common problem. Time release artificial tears seem to hold the most promise, but details of its use are still being worked out. (Dr. Klein is a practicing ophthalmologist in Pampa and Amarillo)

Study: Injuries from falls soaring among older people

CHICAGO (AP) — Older people are falling and getting hurt at an alarmingly increasing rate, probably because the number of elderly is rising and many are taking medications that can cause them to lose their balance, researchers say.

A 25-year study from Finland found a startling increase in both the number and rate of falls among people over 50, and a U.S. expert said the trend is probably the same in other developed countries. The study, led by Dr. Pekka Kannus of UKK Institute for Health Promotion and Research in Tampere, Finland, was published in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

Almost 10 percent of older people who fall are hospitalized for an injury, and about half of those involve broken bones, said Dr. Mary E. Tinetti, chief of geriatrics at Yale University School of Medicine.

For many older people, a fall that breaks a bone — especially a hip — causes

them to lose their mobility and their independence and is the beginning of a downward spiral that ends in death.

The study found that the number of falls among Finns over 50 nearly quadrupled, from 5,622 in 1970 to 21,574 in 1995. The rate of falls practically tripled, from 494 per 100,000 people to 1,398.

Even when the researchers took into account the greater proportion of Finns who were old in 1995 compared with 1970, the incidence of falls was found to have more than doubled among both men and women.

The study did not explore why the Finns were falling more, but the researchers noted previous research suggesting that thinning bones and dwindling muscular strength as people age are culprits.

Also, old people have other medical problems, their mobility deteriorates and they use a greater number of medications, which can increase the risk of falls.

Tinetti said the good news is that fall-prevention measures clearly work and are simple.

"If you had to pick two, it would be exercise for strength and balance, and medication reduction — those are the most effective," she said.

For a healthy older person, good exercise might be tai chi or dance, she said. A frail person might need physical therapy.

Tinetti said research shows that older people taking four or more medications are at higher risk. These people should work with a doctor to minimize the number and doses to the lowest levels required, she said.

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons has a fall-prevention program that calls for these and other measures, including eliminating hazards in the home and installing hand rails and grab bars.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A free brochure on fall prevention is available by calling 1 (800) 824-2663 or by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Don't Let a Fall Be Your Last Trip, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, P.O. Box 1998, Des Plaines, IL 60017.

Progress told in fight against heart disease

ATLANTA (AP) — Although great progress has been made to reduce deaths from heart disease over the past 50 years, more steps are needed in the next century, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said.

Heart disease and stroke remain leading causes of disability and death, with estimated costs including lost productivity expected to be \$286 billion in 1999, the CDC said Thursday.

The agency said death rates from coronary and hypertensive heart disease and rheumatic heart disease have decreased from a peak of 307.4 per 100,000 in 1950 to 134.6 in 1996, a decline of 56 percent. Stroke deaths have decreased 70 percent in that time, from 88.8 to 26.5.

The drop was attributed to factors including a reduction in cigarette smoking among adults (from 42 percent in 1965 to 25 percent in 1995), an increase in medication for those with high blood pressure, improvements in medical care and diagnosis, and a greater awareness of proper diet as a preventive measure, such as lower fat and cholesterol.

However, the CDC said the statistics masks differences in rates broken down by race, sex, economic status and geographic region.

During 1985-1996, for example, heart disease mortality declined 29 percent among white men but only 10 percent among American Indian men and native Alaskan women. People of lower economic status have higher risk levels.

The CDC said new challenges include reducing racial disparities, promoting policy and environmental strategies, determining the relation between genetics and disease and identifying new or emerging risk factors.

Life expectancy climbs to 76.5 years

ATLANTA (AP) — The life expectancy of Americans' is increasing.

Statistics show life expectancy was 76.5 years in 1997, up from 76.1 the year before as death rates from HIV, heart disease, cancer, stroke and homicide declined.

White women had the highest life expectancy at 79.9 years, followed by black women (74.7), white men (74.3), and black men (67.2), according to statistics released Thursday by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The gap between whites and blacks was down from 6.6 years in 1996 to 6 in 1997. Between men and women, the gap narrowed from 6 years to 5.8 during the same period.

The CDC said 2,314,245 people died in the United States in 1997. That was 445 fewer than a year earlier.

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What does seem to make the difference is lack of partners, who may be lost to death or divorce, as we age. While eight in ten people aged 45 to 59 have sexual partners, only 58 percent of men and 21 percent of women aged 75 and older do.

Changing morals may make this less of a constraint for the baby boomers than it is for their parents. While 66 percent of women aged 75 and older think that people should not have sexual relationships if they're not married, only 36 percent of women aged 45 to 59 do.

Declining health is the other thing holding older people back in the bedroom. More than half of men and a third of women said better health for themselves and their partners would improve their sex lives.

One in four men acknowledged being completely or moderately impotent, although despite the publicity of new treatments such as the drug Viagra, only 41 percent of them said they had sought medical help.

The AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) survey of 1,384 adults aged 45 and older was conducted by mail during March 1999. The margin of error is plus or minus 2.6 percentage points.

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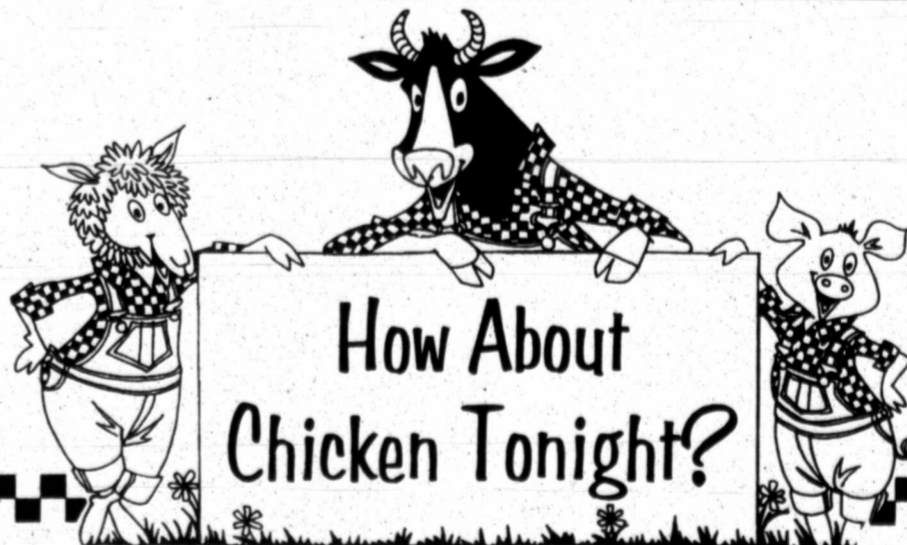
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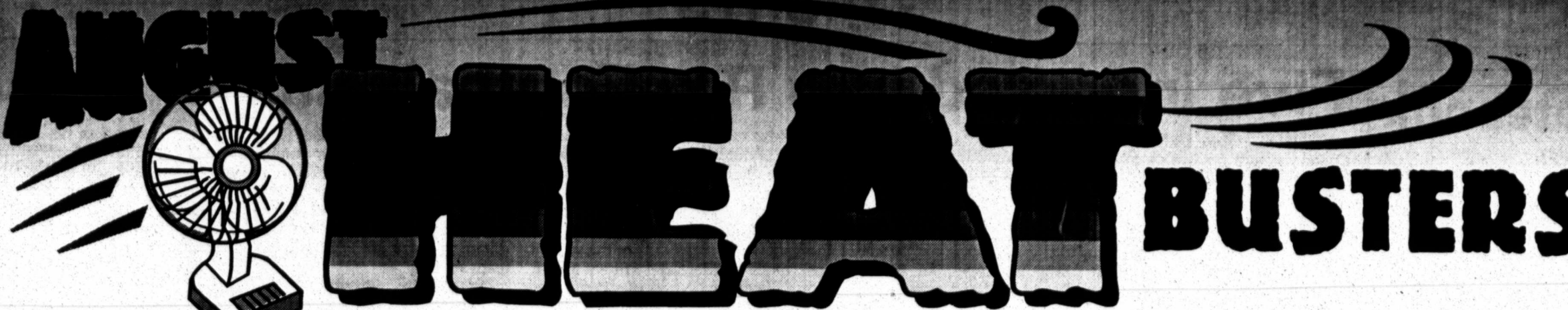
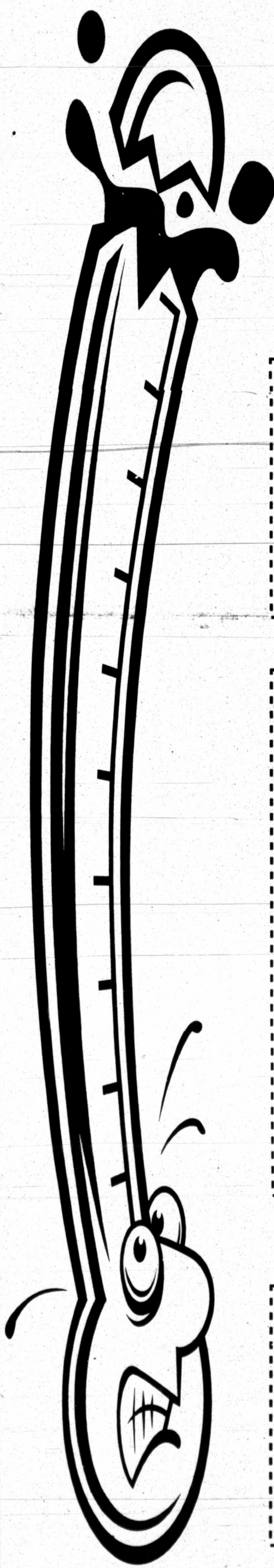
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RODEO

PAMPA — The Pampa High School Rodeo Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Annex building, located at the Top O' Texas rodeo grounds.

Persons interested in joining the club are urged to attend the meeting.

BASKETBALL

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nikki McCray scored 20 points as the Washington Mystics defeated the Cleveland Rockers 80-45 to win a franchise-record fourth straight game.

Washington held Cleveland to 28.6 percent shooting from the field. The last time the Rockers visited the MCI Center on July 21, they shot 63.2 percent from the field to set a WNBA record.

This time, the Mystics did not allow Cleveland's post players to dominate inside. The Rockers scored just 12 points in the paint. Washington outbounded Cleveland 35-27.

Washington used a 15-6 run to take a 37-23 lead at halftime. The Mystics extended their lead to 26 points by holding Cleveland to one field goal for the first five minutes of the second half. The Rockers, who lost to Washington for the first time in franchise history on Saturday 63-62, never threatened after the first half.

AUTO RACING

DETROIT (AP) — There is a little stubborn streak in Dario Franchitti that served the hard-driving Scot very well over the weekend.

On the first day of qualifying for the Tenneco Automotive Grand Prix of Detroit, Franchitti couldn't complete even a single lap in either his primary car or his backup. But he never panicked.

Franchitti was fourth in final qualifying, then carved out his second victory of the season in Sunday's Indy car race over the 2.3-mile temporary road course on Belle Isle. "My team did a great job this weekend," Franchitti said after beating Team Kool Green teammate Paul Tracy to the finish line. "They didn't get down when things were really up against us. We kept working."

The difference was that the conservative Franchitti drove an error-free race while rookie sensation Juan Montoya was making one mistake after another. As a result, Montoya was forced to play catch up in heavy traffic late in the race.

He ended up in a wreck and out of the competition.

"The strategy today played into our hands," Franchitti said in his rich, Scottish brogue.

The win vaulted Franchitti into first place in the CART FedEx Championship standings with 136 points, five ahead of Montoya who had a 13-point lead going into the race.

Greg Moore was third and Michael Andretti fourth in the chaotic race that saw 23 of the scheduled 75 laps run under the caution flag. Because of the delays, race officials decided to limit the competition to two hours, so only 71 laps were completed.

Five inducted into Pro Football Hall of Fame

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — Eric Dickerson said he was overcome by the permanence of it all.

Standing on the front steps of the Pro Football Hall of Fame on Saturday — joined by fellow inductees Lawrence Taylor, Tom Mack, Ozzie Newsome and Billy Shaw — the big tailback with the goggles and breakaway speed said it was more than the ceremony and a bronze bust.

"Someday you'll see a runner and think, 'long, stately stride,' and say, 'Damn, he looks just like Eric Dickerson,'" said the No. 3 rusher in NFL history.

It was a breezy and warm day for freezing such images forever. The huge video screens flanking the podium showed Taylor cutting across the field to cut down a runner from behind, Mack and Shaw pancaking defensive linemen and Newsome pulling in passes for the Cleveland Browns.

It was Newsome's highlight reel that provoked one of the loudest reactions of the day. Interspersed with touchdown catches and big blocks were testimonials from coaches, players — and former Browns owner Art Modell. The large contingent of Browns fans booed loud and long the man who took their team to Baltimore.

But Newsome, now the Baltimore Ravens' personnel director for Modell, was more than forgiven.

The tight end, who spent all 13 of his seasons in a Browns uniform, said he was "proud to be joining as a member of that great tradition." He said he was looking forward to the return of the new Browns expansion franchise in tonight's Hall of Fame exhibition game against Dallas. And he welcomed other fans to the Browns' "Dawg Pound."

All the while, the old/new franchise's fans barked and woofed.

Taylor, the fearsome linebacker for the New York Giants, was greeted by a large section which included dozens of fans wearing jerseys with his No. 56. His speech showed a softer side of the violent, rock-hard defender known as L.T.

Taylor, who had pledged to former coach Bill Parcells that he wouldn't break down and cry, said he "about lost it" when introduced by his 17-year-old son, L.J. He had his ex-inlaws stand at one point and said, "Even though they're ex-inlaws, I still love them."

Since retiring six years ago, Taylor has encountered drug, legal and financial problems. During his speech, he thanked his kids for "understanding that people do make mistakes in life. They have the ability to forgive me and love me anyway."

Mack, who grew up in suburban Cleveland but spent his entire

career with the Los Angeles Rams, failed to garner enough votes in his first 10 times as a finalist for induction. He thought he had run out of chances, just another overlooked offensive guard despite a glittering history of Pro Bowls and team success.

"It's only 60 miles from Cleveland to Canton," he said. "But it seems like a million miles."

Shaw, an offensive guard for the Buffalo Bills who was the veterans committee nominee, thanked a long list of people for getting him into the hall, including the people in three different hometowns for welcoming him, his high school, college and pro coaches, his teammates and his family and friends.

Unnerved by speaking in front of thousands of people and a national cable audience, Shaw somehow left out his wife of 39 years, Patsy.

Dickerson, however, introduced

her at the outset of his acceptance speech. A smiling Mrs. Shaw pointed at her husband and wagged a finger at him while he knelt in forgiveness. It brought laughter and applause from the fans sitting through the long afternoon.

Shaw and Mack became just the fourth and fifth guards in the hall. Shaw also became the first person inducted who played his entire career in the American Football League.

All of the inductees said they were thankful that they and their careers wouldn't be forgotten by future generations.

Dickerson, a product of Southern Methodist, said his young daughter didn't understand the importance of his induction, but would someday.

"You can bring your kids and your grandkids here and say, 'Your granddad was a pretty good football player,'" he said.

Simmons-Goad win Bonnie and Clyde

PAMPA — Fred Simmons and Ida Goad were the winners of the Bonnie & Clyde Invitational held last weekend at the Pampa Country Club course.

Simmons and Goad had a total of 124.6 in the mixed scramble.

Bonnie & Clyde Invitational at Pampa Country Club

First Flight
1. Fred Simmons-Ida Goad, 124.6; 2. Tim Whipkey-Sue Winborn, 125.2; 3. Jim Gowdy-Kathy Gowdy, 126.0

Second Flight
1. Tommy Hill-Nita Hill, 124.0; 2. Mel Pharis-Sue Pharis, 132.2; 3. Paul Carr-Donna Adams, 132.6.

Third Flight
1. Ben Davis-Debbie Davis, 120.4; 2. Joe Manzanera-Fran Dubose, 121.8; 3. Glen Love-Rita Love, 122.8.

Fourth Flight
1. Robert Jefferson-Judy Jefferson, 123.8; 2. Jim Schulte-Dorothy Schulte, 124.6; 3. John Kent-Margaret Kent, 126.6.

Fifth Flight
1. Bob Burkett-Robbie Pepper, 117.8; 2. Winslow Ellis-Debbie Hogan, 125.2; 3. Mark Gregory-Stephanie Gregory, 125.4.

Methodist Scramble at Pampa Country Club (9-holes)
1. Jeff Nicklas, Dr. Joe Donaldson and Lindsay Cree, 31

GOLF

(won playoff); 2. R.W. Stowers, Dr. James Kendall and Ray Hampton, 31.

BARSEBAECK, Sweden (AP) — Colin Montgomerie completed a runaway victory in the Scandinavian Masters, closing with a 3-under 69 for a 20-under 268 total and a nine-stroke victory. It was Montgomerie's career-high fourth PGA European Tour victory of the year.

Jesper Parnevik (71) was in second, followed by Bob May (69) and Geoff Ogilvy (71) tied for third at 278.

GRAND BLANC, Mich. (AP) — Tom Lehman learned one of the hard lessons of the PGA Tour: When a course is yielding low scores, you'd better not flub the easy holes.

Two key miscues with his wedges on Sunday cost Lehman dearly and let Tom Pernice Jr. sail by to his first PGA Tour win at the Buick Open.

Lehman played the easy 13th and 14th holes in 1 over while Pernice played them in 3 under, a four-shot swing that catapulted Pernice into the lead and decided the tournament.



(Pampa News photo)

Doug Carmichael sends a putt toward the hole during a scramble last week at the Pampa Country Club course.

Delgado delivers key hits as Blue Jays down Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Carlos Delgado is going through one of those phases that hitters dream about and pitchers fear.

"You get to the plate and everything is like in slow motion," Delgado said after going 3-for-4 with three RBIs and a homer in Toronto's 8-7 victory over Texas on Sunday night.

"You recognize the breaking ball, you recognize strikes and when you swing, it's effortless, really flowing. You don't know how you got there and you don't know when you're going to get out of there. You just want to ride it as long as you can."

Delgado gave Toronto a 2-0 lead with an RBI single in the first, then he chased Texas starter John Burkett with the third of three straight doubles in the fifth as they rallied for a 6-4 lead.

His seventh-inning homer made it 7-5.

Needing a triple for the first cycle by a Blue Jay since Kelly Gruber in April 1989, Delgado hit a fly to deep left-center, but

Roberto Kelly made a nice catch against the wall to end the ninth inning.

Although Delgado has no triples this year and only six in his previous six seasons, it would've made sense for him to get one against Texas. Delgado is 11-for-18 against the Rangers this season with two doubles and five homers, three of them coming in a victory Friday night.

"His career average against the Rangers is .359 and he has 12 career homers at The Ballpark, tying Jose Canseco for the most by a visitor.

"He's being patient and swinging at pitches that he can drive," said Burkett, who allowed five earned runs and six overall in four innings. "He's a strong guy, probably the strongest in the league."

Texas' Todd Zeile, himself on quite a roll, hit a two-run homer in the bottom of the seventh to tie the game at 7. One out into the top of the eighth, Darrin Fletcher broke the tie with a solo homer off Mike Venafro (3-2).

Fletcher, a left-handed hitter, didn't like his odds against

Venafro, a submarine-style left-hander. On Friday night, Fletcher had jokingly turned around his batting helmet and took a right-handed stance while in the on-deck circle.

Batting left-handed Sunday, Fletcher was down 0-2 when he pulled a hanging breaking ball just inside the right-field foul pole.

"There are maybe two, three guys in the game who drop down from the left side, so I just wanted to see the ball," Fletcher said. "I saw it spin and I was able to hit it out."

Venafro said he was trying to get Fletcher to chase a pitch low and outside, but instead it stayed waist-high and inside.

"It was a slider that didn't do too much," the rookie said.

John Frascatore (7-0) gave up Zeile's homer, a single and a wild pitch, but he also got two outs and that was enough for the victory in relief of David Wells.

Wells was tagged for six runs on nine hits over 6 1-3 innings. He walked two and struck out three.

Billy Koch pitched a perfect ninth for his 24th save.

The Rangers led 4-2 on an RBI double by Rafael Palmeiro, a two-run double by Roberto Kelly and an infield single by Ivan Rodriguez.

After a four-run fifth put Toronto up 6-4, Texas' Juan Gonzalez hit a solo homer in the bottom of the inning. It was his 26th of the year, but his first since July 17, ending a 14-game drought.

Notes: Toronto has won 14 of its last 19 games, while Texas has

won 16 of 20. The Blue Jays lead the four-game series 2-1 going into the finale tonight. ... Texas' Mark McLemore has a .332 lifetime average against Toronto, his highest against any team. ... This was the 923rd victory of Fregosi's career, tying him with Paul Richards for 48th on the all-time list. Fregosi has lost 989. ... Only seven of Gonzalez's 26 homers have come at The Ballpark. ... Texas rookie sensation Jeff Zimmerman turns 27 today.

Marlins slip by Rockies

MIAMI (AP) — Rookie Ryan Dempster and Antonio Alfonseca combined on a four-hit and the Florida Marlins defeated the Colorado Rockies 2-1 Sunday for a three-game sweep.

Dempster (5-6) gave up one run in eight innings and struck out nine.

Alfonseca pitched a perfect ninth for his 10th save in as many opportunities since taking over the closer role for Matt Mantei, who was traded to

Arizona on July 10.

Jamey Wright (0-2), making his second start after a three-month stint in Triple-A Colorado Springs, gave up two runs and four hits in seven innings.

The Marlins took a 2-0 lead in the second. Kevin Millar singled, Mark Kotsay tripled and Preston Wilson had a sacrifice fly.

Colorado made it 2-1 in the fourth on a double by Terry Shumpert and a run-scoring single by Todd Helton.

Former National League batting champion Walker is dead at 80

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — More than 50 years later, baseball fans in St. Louis still talk about Harry "The Hat" Walker's deciding hit in the 1946 World Series.

And if Walker hadn't died Sunday of complications from a stroke, friends say he would probably be happy to join in the reminiscing.

"He had a passion for baseball that was as great as any seen in the game," Houston Astros manager Larry Dierker said after learning of Walker's death. "He

absolutely loved the sport. He could talk about it for hours on end."

Walker died at University Hospital in Birmingham, where he had been hospitalized since mid-July, hospital spokesman Hank Black said. He was 80.

The left-handed hitter, who won his nickname for his habit of adjusting his cap between pitches, led the National League in hitting in 1947, went on to a career as a manager and eventually landed at Alabama-Birmingham, where he helped

start the baseball program.

During a 22-year pro career, including 11 seasons in the majors, Walker had a .296 average. He spent eight years with the St. Louis Cardinals and also played for the Philadelphia Phillies, the Chicago Cubs and the Cincinnati Reds, mostly as an outfielder. He appeared in three World Series (1942, 1943 and 1946) and two All-Star Games (1943 and 1947).

In Game 7 of the 1946 World Series, Walker hit a double to left-center in the bottom of the

eighth, and Enos Slaughter scored all the way from first, giving the Cardinals a 4-3 victory over the Boston Red Sox and the series title.

"People still talk about it today," recalled longtime Cardinals announcer Jack Buck Sunday night. "Some say he scored all the way from first on a single, but it was a double."

Walker's best year was in 1947, when he batted .363 while playing 130 games for Philadelphia and 10 games with St. Louis.

Buck called Walker a "good

pal." "He was a beautiful person — total baseball. His whole life was baseball. He'd talk about baseball until 5 a.m. if you'd let him," Buck said.

Walker spent 20 years as a manager, including major-league stints with the Cardinals (1955), the Pittsburgh Pirates (1965-67) and the Houston Astros (1968-72). For the next six years, he worked in various capacities for the Cardinals' organization, including hitting coach, minor league farm director and scout.

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1st Week
The Haunting (PG-13)
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3rd Week
Inspector Gadget (PG)
2 Shows Nightly 7:00 & 9:00
Daily Matinee 1:45

4th Week
Lake Placid (R)
2 Shows Nightly 7:10 & 9:05
Daily Matinee 1:55

Scoreboard

BASEBALL				
American League				
At A Glance				
By The Associated Press				
All Times EDT				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	68	42	.618	—
Boston	61	50	.550	7 1/2
Toronto	62	51	.549	7 1/2
Baltimore	49	62	.441	19 1/2
Tampa Bay	46	65	.414	22 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	66	44	.600	—
Chicago	51	58	.468	14 1/2
Minnesota	47	62	.431	18 1/2
Kansas City	45	65	.409	21
Detroit	44	67	.398	22 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	66	44	.600	—
Oakland	60	51	.541	8 1/2
Seattle	53	58	.477	13 1/2
Anaheim	46	64	.418	20
Saturday's Games				
Oakland 11, Chicago 1				
Boston 14, Anaheim 4				
Cleveland 15, Tampa Bay 10				
Texas 6, Toronto 0				
New York 1, Seattle 0				
Minnesota 6, Kansas City 5				
Sunday's Games				
Detroit 5, Baltimore 2, 11 innings				
Tampa Bay 5, Cleveland 3				
Minnesota 7, Kansas City 3				
Oakland 7, Chicago 5				
New York 9, Seattle 3				
Boston 9, Anaheim 3				
Toronto 8, Texas 7				
Monday's Games				
Baltimore (J. Johnson 3-5) at Tampa Bay (Rupe 5-6), 7:05 p.m.				
Boston (Portugal 7-8) at Kansas City (Suppan 6-6), 8:05 p.m.				
Toronto (Hamilton 4-6) at Texas (Morgan 12-6), 8:35 p.m.				
Cleveland (Colon 10-4) at Anaheim (Hill 4-10), 10:05 p.m.				
New York (Iraha 9-3) at Oakland (Haynes 7-10), 10:05 p.m.				
Chicago (Snyder 9-6) at Seattle (Meche 2-2), 10:05 p.m.				
Only games scheduled				
Tuesday's Games				
New York at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.				
Baltimore at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m.				
Toronto at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.				
Boston at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.				
Detroit at Texas, 8:35 p.m.				
Cleveland at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.				
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National League				
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East Division				
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New York	67	45	.598	—
Atlanta	67	46	.593	1/2
Philadelphia	61	50	.549	5 1/2
Montreal	44	64	.407	21
Florida	44	68	.393	23
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	69	44	.611	—
Cincinnati	64	45	.587	3
Pittsburgh	56	55	.505	12
St. Louis	54	57	.486	13
Milwaukee	50	59	.459	17
Chicago	50	60	.455	17 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	63	49	.563	—
San Francisco	58	53	.523	4 1/2
San Diego	52	59	.468	10 1/2
Los Angeles	49	62	.441	13 1/2
Colorado	48	63	.432	14 1/2
Saturday's Games				
Arizona 8, Philadelphia 2				
Atlanta 15, San Francisco 4				
Houston 10, Chicago 4				
Florida 4, Colorado 1				
Pittsburgh 3, St. Louis 1				
Montreal 3, San Diego 1				
Los Angeles 7, New York 6				
Milwaukee 6, Cincinnati 4				
Sunday's Games				
San Francisco 5, Atlanta 2				
Montreal 4, San Diego 2				
Arizona 7, Philadelphia 4				
Pittsburgh 5, St. Louis 1				
Los Angeles 14, New York 3				
Cincinnati 8, Milwaukee 2				
Florida 2, Colorado 1				
Houston 6, Chicago 2				
Monday's Games				
San Diego (Clement 5-10) at Montreal (Powell 0-4), 7:05 p.m.				
San Francisco (L. Hernandez 6-10) at Florida (Springer 5-11), 7:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Riesgle 2-3) at Pittsburgh (Ritchie 10-7), 7:05 p.m.				
St. Louis (Mercker 4-4) at Philadelphia (Byrd 13-6), 7:35 p.m.				
Los Angeles (K. Brown 12-6) at New York (Hershiser 11-8), 7:40 p.m.				
Houston (Holt 2-11) at Atlanta (Smoltz 8-5), 7:40 p.m.				
Arizona (Daal 10-6) at Chicago (Trachsel 4-14), 8:05 p.m.				
Colorado (Kile 6-11) at Milwaukee (Pulsipher 3-2), 8:05 p.m.				
Tuesday's Games				
Arizona (Anderson 4-2) at Chicago (Lieber 8-5), 2:20 p.m.				
Los Angeles (Valdes 8-10) at Montreal (Thurman 4-7), 7:05 p.m.				
San Francisco (Gardner 3-9) at Florida (Nunez 4-5), 7:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Guzman 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Schourek 3-5), 7:05 p.m.				
St. Louis (Jimenez 5-12) at Philadelphia (Person 6-3), 7:35 p.m.				
San Diego (Ashby 10-5) at New York (Rogers 1-9), 7:40 p.m.				
Houston (Reynolds 14-7) at Atlanta (Glavine 9-9), 7:40 p.m.				
Colorado (Astacio 12-9) at Milwaukee (Peterson 1-2), 8:05 p.m.				
FOOTBALL				
Hall of Fame State				
By The Associated Press				
Career statistics for the former players who were inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on Saturday:				
Eric Dickerson				
	Att	Yards	Avg	TD
1983 LARams	390	1,808	4.6	18
1984 LARams	379	2,105	5.6	14
1985 LARams	292	1,234	4.2	12
1986 LARams	404	1,821	4.5	11
1987 LAR-Ind	283	1,288	4.6	6
1988 Ind	388	1,659	4.3	14
1989 Ind	314	1,311	4.2	7
1990 Ind	166	677	4.1	4
1991 Ind	167	536	3.2	2
1992 LARdr	187	729	3.9	2
1993 Atl	26	91	3.5	0
Totals	2,996	13,259	4.4	90
Ozzie Newsome				
	Rec	Yards	Avg	TD
1978 Cle	38	589	15.5	2
1979 Cle	55	781	14.2	9
1980 Cle	51	594	11.6	3
1981 Cle	69	1,002	14.5	6
1982 Cle	49	633	12.9	3
1983 Cle	89	970	10.9	6
1984 Cle	89	1,001	11.2	5
1985 Cle	62	711	11.5	5
1986 Cle	39	417	10.7	3
1987 Cle	34	375	11.0	0
1988 Cle	35	343	9.8	2
1989 Cle	29	324	11.2	1
1990 Cle	23	240	10.4	2
Totals 662	7980	12.1	47	
Lawrence Taylor				
	Int	Sacks	Tackles	
1981 NYGiants-x	1	9.5	133	
1982 NYGiants	1	7.5	55	
1983 NYGiants	2	9.0	125	
1984 NYGiants	1	11.5	114	
1985 NYGiants	0	13.0	104	
1986 NYGiants	0	20.5	105	
1987 NYGiants	3	12.0	62	
1988 NYGiants	0	15.5	73	
1989 NYGiants	0	15.0	83	
1990 NYGiants	1	10.5	84	
1991 NYGiants	0	7.0	67	
1992 NYGiants	0	5.0	47	
1993 NYGiants	0	6.0	35	

Returning starters



McLean has six starters returning for the the 1999 six-man football season. They are (front row, from left) Frankie Sparling, Aaron Rice and Chris Hauck; (back row, from left) Brian Fuller, Terrell Hembree and Ike Hanes. The Tigers kick off the season Sept. 3 against Miami at Miami.

Jarrett captures Brickyard 400

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — There's no doubting the success of the Brickyard 400. Six years into one of the most improbable experiments in racing history, stock cars are a huge hit at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Now, if only NASCAR could solve this problem: No one can compete with Dale Jarrett — at Indy or anywhere else.

At the hallowed Brickyard, fans know good racing when they see it. What they saw Saturday, when Jarrett dominated the field for his second Brickyard 400 victory, was just another one-man show.

It's starting to look like the Blowout Cup instead. "It's awfully tough to keep up with him every week," said Labonte, who has finished second to Jarrett twice at the Brickyard.

The same was true of Gordon the past two seasons, when he was just about unstoppable in winning consecutive Winston Cup championships. Jarrett is sitting in that seat now.

"It's as good as it can get right now," said Jarrett, who led 116 of 160 laps on Saturday and drove away from the field after the final round of pit stops — when Dave Marcis' blown engine brought out a caution flag.

stantly tinkering with specifications for the various makes of cars. Drivers and crews are fond of pointing out — right or wrong — that NASCAR seems to change the rules when one driver or car brand starts running away with races.

When Gordon was in his incredible run in his Chevrolet Monte Carlo, the Ford and Pontiac camps complained that he had an unfair advantage. Now that Jarrett is dominating in a Ford Taurus, backhanded comments like this one from Gordon are beginning to surface.

"They know how to win a championship," said Jeff Gordon, who is watching Jarrett dominate the Winston Cup points race the way he did in winning the last two championships. "They've been right there, second or third many times.

"Now, we've got to get things going so we can at least make them work for it. Right now, it's too easy for them."

With Jarrett leading Mark Martin by 274 points with 14 races left, Gordon's comments sounded an awful lot like a concession speech. Bobby Labonte is third, followed by Jeff Burton, Tony Stewart and Gordon — who trails by a nearly insurmountable 507 points.

Since running its first race at Indy in 1994, NASCAR has amassed all the fans, purse money and attention it needed to make this race one of the sport's top attractions. But Winston Cup racing is supposed to be the most competi-

While Jarrett tied the two Jeffs — Gordon and Burton — with his series-leading fourth victory, his most impressive feat has been consistency. After a disappointing 37th finish in the season-opening Daytona 500, Jarrett has finished out of the top 10 only once in 19 races. He's been in the top 10 for 17 straight races, including 15 top fives.

Can anything be done about it? Should NASCAR step in and stop the Jarrett juggernaut?

The stock car series has historically found ways to make its racing competitive, con-

"We were by far the best Chevrolet, but we just didn't have anything for the 88 or 18 or the 6," said Gordon, referring to Jarrett's Ford, Labonte's Pontiac and Martin's Ford.

Todd Parrott, Jarrett's crew chief for the past three seasons, says there are legitimate reasons why the Robert Yates team is the class of the circuit these days.

"I think we've stepped up our program," said Parrott, son of longtime crew chief and team manager Buddy Parrott. "The biggest thing is the team. This isn't about Dale or me or Robert. It's about all of us."

Yates, known for building dominant engines, bristled at the suggestion that NASCAR might make Jarrett a marked man if he keeps running away with the title.

"We feel like we're working with less real estate than the Chevys or the Pontiacs," Yates said sharply. "We keep moving ahead."

Old is new again as Browns return

By TOM WITHERS
AP Sports Writer

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — From the time Al Lerner was named their new owner last September, the Cleveland Browns had just 11 months to get ready to play the Dallas Cowboys.

Cleveland's fans have had three years to prepare.

And at a little after 8 p.m. tonight when they take the field at Fawcett Stadium to face the Cowboys in the Hall of Fame Game, the new Browns will be welcomed back by a city, the NFL and a national TV audience like a long lost relative.

Browns fans, who cried when their team was swept out of town by Art Modell in 1996, will finally be able to reconnect with Cleveland's glorious football past.

the New York Giants went to San Francisco.

But after wiping away their tears when Modell abandoned them, Cleveland fans fought back and convinced the NFL to bring a team back in 1999.

"It says a lot about Clevelanders," Browns line-backer Chris Spielman said. "It says a lot for the NFL to bring a team back so quickly, and it says a lot for Mr. Lerner to put up a half-billion (\$530 million) dollars. There's a special relationship between the fans and the team here."

This year's Hall of Fame Game was moved from its traditional Saturday slot to Monday in prime time by the league to showcase the Browns' return as the first expansion team with a history.

The game will cap an unforgettable football weekend in northeast Ohio. Saturday, former Browns tight end Ozzie Newsome was enshrined in the Hall of Fame.

"For us to go down there and be able to play as a local team in that whole setting, coming back new ...," said Palmer, making his debut as an NFL head coach. "I won't be the only one with butterflies."

Even America's Team is caught up in the excitement.

"I have a hard time thinking the Cleveland Browns are new," said Cowboys coach Chan Gailey, who became familiar with the Browns and their tradition while an assistant coach in Pittsburgh. "That doesn't sound right. It seems like there ought to be some special name or exotic name for an expansion team. I'm struggling with them being a new team. They've got the same fans, I know that."

Cleveland's new football era will begin the Tim Couch Era with the Browns.

The rookie quarterback, taken No. 1 overall by the Browns in April's NFL draft, will make his pro debut midway through the first quarter. He'll replace Ty Detmer, who will run the Browns this season until Palmer and his staff think Couch is ready.

Couch understandably doesn't

appear to be nervous.

"I played in the SEC and we played in the big game week in and week out," he said. "I'll probably forget it's on TV once we get out there and start playing football again."

Palmer has had just seven months to put together a staff, assemble a team and have it ready by Monday. It's too early to worry about final scores yet, he said.

"Winning takes care of itself," he said. "All I'm looking for is improvement with my players, that we're getting better from week to week."

In training camp news: Patriots Tests confirmed New England linebacker Ted Johnson suffered a ruptured left biceps tendon in Saturday's scrimmage and is expected to miss four months.

Patriots coach Pete Carroll said he will wait until after surgery to determine if Johnson would be placed on injured reserve, which would shelve the linebacker for the entire season.

Vikings The Vikings will reportedly cut their ties with Dimitrios Underwood, the defensive lineman who left training camp after one practice and has not returned.

Team attorneys informed Underwood's agent, Craig Domann, that the team doesn't want him back, according to a report in the Saint Paul Pioneer Press. The newspaper said the Vikings haven't decided how to part ways with the rookie, but most likely will place him on waivers.

Underwood signed a \$5.3 million, six-year contract shortly before joining the Vikings at training camp.

Eagles Eagles tight end Kaseem Sinceno is expected to be out for the next six weeks following ankle surgery.

Sinceno, 23, underwent arthroscopic ankle surgery and had a stress fracture in his right foot repaired Friday at a Philadelphia hospital, team officials said Sunday.

Boston's Martinez wins 100th game

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Pedro Martinez earned his first victory since July 2 and the 100th of his big-league career Sunday night, pitching five effective innings as the Boston Red Sox beat the Anaheim Angels 9-3.

Martinez (16-3) held the Angels to three hits and two runs, one earned. He walked three and struck out five.

The 27-year-old right-hander was lifted after throwing 99 pitches, 61 of them strikes. He needed 28 pitches in the first inning, including 11 to Gary DiSarcina, who fouled off five full-count pitches before drawing a walk.

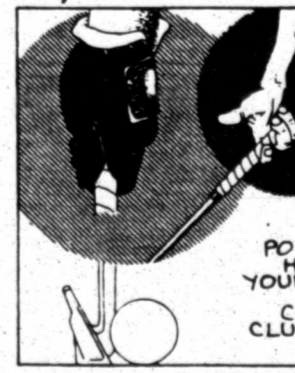
Troy O'Leary had three hits, including a home run, for the Red Sox.

The Red Sox took a 2-0 lead off Jack McDowell (0-4) in the first on a two-out, run-scoring double by Nomar Garciaparra and an RBI single by O'Leary.

McDowell allowed eight hits and five runs in four innings.

Jason Varitek's two-out, two-run double off Mike Magnante in the fifth extended Boston's lead to 7-1.


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Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. For more information, call 665-6000.

PAMPA CHESS CLUB
The Pampa Chess Club meets every Tuesday night at Yummie's Pizza in the Pampa Mall at 7:30 p.m. We offer casual yet competitive games, free instruction, and a quarterly newsletter. For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

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 669-3988.

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. Training sessions will be from 6-9 p.m. beginning Tuesday, Aug. 24 at TCC, 310 S. Cuyler. For more information, call Diane Wells at 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796. RSVP by Aug. 17.

LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Guided tours of Lovett Memorial Library will be conducted from 1-5 p.m. and from 6-9 p.m. each Wednesday throughout the month of August. Find out what the library has, where it is and how to use it. For more information, call 669-5780.

CLARENDON COLLEGE
A Quick TASP test will be conducted at 7:30 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 21 at Clarendon College-Pampa Center. Cost of the exam will be \$29. Two forms of identification are required.

FPC REGISTRATION
Frank Phillips College off campus registration will be from 5-7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 12 at Dalhart and Perryton high schools and from 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 17 at Canadian High School. On campus registration will be from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Aug. 18 and 19 in the FPC Library. In addition, in-class instruction and distance learning courses via the World Wide Web, Channel 63 in Borger and the Panhandle Information Network are available. For more information, call (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 741 or 742. Class listings are posted at the college's website, <http://www.fpc.cc.tx.us/Offerings/>.

GRAVEL CLUB
Gravel Club will meet at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 11 at the Senior Citizens. For more information, call 665-5081.

GEM THEATRE
Gem Theatre in Claude will present the

Community Heritage Players on Aug. 20 and 21. CHP will perform "You Can't Get There From Here," a comedy for the whole family. For reservations, call (806) 226-5409.

INR SEMINAR
The Institute for Natural Resources will sponsor a seminar, "The Craving Brain: Chocolate, Addictions, Mood and Appetite," from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 15 at the Radisson Inn in Amarillo and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 16 at Memorial Civic Center in Lubbock. The seminar is approved for RNs, LVNs, LPNs, pharmacists, dietitians, DTRs, psychologists, social workers and counselors. The program is worth seven hours to nurses and six hours to other professionals. Tuition is \$59 for participants who preregister and \$72 at the door. For more information, call (510) 450-1650.

DON AND SYBIL HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and BSA Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic Aug. 9 at First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, and Aug. 30, at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc., 916 N. Crest. 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) 359-4673, (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

USS LONG BEACH REUNION
USS Long Beach Reunion Association will hold its 1999 reunion Sept. 15-19 at Pensacola, Fla. Participants will be staying at the Holiday Inn Bay Beach, 51 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, FL 32561-9990. For reservations, call (850) 932-2214. For more information, contact Don Shade at P.O. Box 69, Clymer, NY 14724-0069, (716) 569-2314, or e-mail LBCGN9@aol.com.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER
Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

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PAMPA LODGE #966
Pampa Lodge #966 E.A. Degree, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 29, 420 W. Kingsmill.

MISS TEXAS TEEN ALL-AMERICAN
Miss Texas Teen All-American Pageant 1999 officials are seeking contestants. To be eligible for com-

petition, participants must be 13-19 years of age as of Aug. 1, 2000; must never have been married; and must be a legal resident of the U.S. To apply, send a recent photo along with your name, address, telephone number, date of birth and short biography by fax or mail to: Dept. B - Miss Texas Teen All-American, 603 Schrader Ave., Wheeling, WV 26003-9619; fax, 1-304-242-8341; phone 1-304-242-4900 or e-mail tehallam@aol.com.

Chautauqua



Delicious pancakes are piled on plates by Rotarians E.E. Shelhamer, left, Reeve and Jack Reeve at the traditional pancake breakfast that begins at about 7 a.m. during the annual Chautauqua celebration, Labor Day, Sept. 6, at Central Park. There will be about 15 food booths to tempt appetites throughout the day.

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21 Help Wanted

NOTICE Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

SIVALL'S, Inc.

Needs welders/fabricators. Drug test required! Only exp. should apply. 665-7111

EQUIPMENT operators

needed for growing construction. Co. Bull Dozer, Scraper, Motor grader, Maintainer, Excavator. Experience preferred but not required, will train. Must be clean cut and pass drug test. Out of town work \$12 per hour and up. \$80-225-4040.

WILDLIFE JOBS TO \$21.60/HR

Inc. benefits. Game wardens, security, maintenance, park rangers. No exp. needed. For app. and exam info call 1-800-813-3585, ext. 7689 8 a.m.-9 p.m., 7 days fds inc

EQUIPMENT OPERATORS

Heavy equipment operators and operators for hot mix lay down machines needed. Experience required E.O.E. Call 806-888-1208 or 214-850-5856

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PART time check cashing

clerk needed. Great working conditions. Apply in person 10 a.m.-3 p.m. to Mr. Payroll, inside Allsup's, 309 N. Hobart.

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2 infants, in my home, 5 days a week, light house-keeping. Resume & ref. to Box 76 c/o Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa

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We are looking for someone to work every Sat.; someone who understands that means every Sat., not some Sat.'s or every other Sat., or your choice of Sat.'s. If you feel you would like to work on Sat. please apply at Bartlett's Ace Hardware, 500 W. Brown, must be 18 yrs. old.

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GREAT Pyrenees Puppies

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REDECORATED 2 bdrm.

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CORPORATE Apts. Brand new furniture, housewares - & linens. Beautifully decorated 1 & 2 bdrs. All bills pd. incl. cable. Washer/dryers in ea. unit. Lakeview Apts., 2600 N. Hobart, 669-7682

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