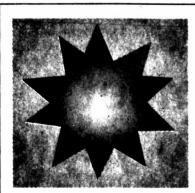


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#### Lotto jackpot keeps growing

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn:

18-21-30-35-46-52. Estimated jackpot: \$23 mil-

Number matching six of six: None.

Matching five of six: 74. Prize: \$2,785.

Matching four of six: 4,104. Prize; \$124. Matching three of six:

88,163. Prize: \$5. Next Lotto Texas game: Wednesday night.

Estimated jackpot: \$29 mil-

#### Two prisoners make jail escape

TEMPLE, Texas (AP) -Central Texas law officers on Monday were seeking two escaped inmates from the Bartlett State Jail.

David Lee Sanders, 30, and 21-year-old Kyndall Dwight Jones escaped about 5 a.m. Sunday from the prison in Williamson County, according to the Temple Daily Telegram.

Both men were serving sentences for aggravated assault. lames was sentenced in Burnet County while Sanders received his sentence in Montgomery County.

Officials said both men were wearing dark blue scrubs in the jail, a privately owned facility operated for the state by Corrections Corporation of America, said Pamela Russell, assistant regional director for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice state jail

Russell warned area residents to take precautions until the inmates are found. She said the inmates escaped by scaling an inside fence and then cutting through two 12-foot parameter fences that were topped with barbed

A cutting tool was missing from the prison's maintenance shop, which was broken into sometime after midnight Sunday, officials said.

· Sam Edward Devers, 86, retired mechanic at Tom Rose Motor Co.

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Travis School gets 'exemplary' rating **BV DEE DEE LARAMORE** Staff Writer

A dozen local schools and school districts earned the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) top Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) rating, figures

Travis Elementary School was the only school in the Pampa Independent School District (ISD) to receive the highest rating. To receive an "exemplary" rating, a school or school district must meeting the

following requirements: at least 90 percent of all students and each student group – black, Hispanic, white and economically disadvantaged – to pass the TAAS reading writing and math exams:

• an annual dropout rate of 1 percent or

• an attendance rate of at least 94 per-

The percentage of ethnic and economically disadvantaged students passing TAAS exams kept the Pampa district from receiving exemplary status, according to the TEA's 2000 accountability table.

"They finally did it," Pampa Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr told school board members. He said Travis teachers and Principal Doug Rapstine worked hard to reach the highest rating after narrowly missing it last year.

TEA figures show that in this area. Groom, McLean, Wheeler, and White Deer ISDs each received exemplary ratings. Within the school districts, these schools earned exemplary honors: Groom School, Panhandle High School, McLean School, Wheeler School, White Deer High School, Skellytown Elementary and White Deer Elementary.

Pampa ISD and two Pampa schools, Pampa Middle School and Austin Elementary, were among area learning centers to receive "recognized" status.

To be a TEA "recognized" school, the TAAS passing rate must be at least 80 percent, the annual dropout rate at 3.5 percent or less and a 94 percent attendance rate. This is second from the highest rank-

As a school district, Pampa's attendance rate for 1998-1999 was 95.4 percent. Dropout data for the total student population for seventh through twelfth grades was .2 percent. Hispanics recorded the

highest dropout rate within the student population at .6 percent.

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District-wide, more than 90 percent of Pampa ISD students passed the TAAS tests in the Spring 1999 and in the Spring 2000. However, only 72.7 percent of African American students – 3.3 percent of the student population - passed the reading exam in Spring '99. In the mathematics test, 52.9 percent passed.

African American students' TAAS scores improved in Spring 2000 with the reading exam going up to 84.6 percent and the mathematics scores increasing to 80 percent. But the writing exam scores slipped to 76 percent.

Six students needed to answer 11

"We will be out spot

**Public Works Director** 

Richard Morris

(See RATING, Page 2)



(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

Butch and Katie Warner of McLean stopped by the Coronado Center Merchant's Association car show Saturday where they checked out a 1965 Mustang owned by Samantha Ford of Pampa. The car was entered in the Classic category. The Warners have a body shop and Butch said, "We go look at cars anytime we can."

## Car show winners

Car enthusiasts and other visitors to through-third place are: Coronado Center Saturday didn't let the hot weather deter them from checking out the vari-Coronado Center Merchant's Association Car

The show was held to benefit Meals on Wheels which is getting a check for \$515 this

The show is broken down into categories by type and there is a People's Choice award which went to Larry Grillett of Childress for his 1957

Another special award went to Jack Patterson for driving the longest distance to get here. From Wichita Falls, Patterson brought a 1979 Corvette. Other winners listed in order from first-

Classic — Dan Estes, White Deer, a 1937 Ford; Terry and Donetta Conn, Pampa, a 1964 ety of vehicles on display at the annual Chrysler Imperial; Johnny Gillemerate, Childress, a 1960 Chevrolet Impala.

Street Rod — Paul Duryee, Amarillo, 1935 Ford; Raymond Douglas, Pampa, 1940 Ford; Delbert Wilson, Childress, 1934 Ford.

Sports Car — Jack C. Patterson, Wichita Falls, 1979 Corvette; Redonn Wood, 1996 Pontiac Firebird; Bert A. McCune, Pampa, 1991 Mustang.

Muscle Machine — Sid Segura, Panhandle, 1967 Camero; Bruce and Joan Schubert, Dalhart, 1964 Chrysler; Juanita Watson, Pampa, 1965 Mustang.

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### Lack of money puts street work on back burner

By KATE B. DICKSON **Associate Publisher** 

Pampans will go without any patching ... trying to real street work in the fiscal year save what we can." beginning Oct. 1 because there is not enough money to fund seal coating much less paving or rebuilding projects.

That was the word last week

from City Manager Bob Eskridge during an all-day budget review session which included city commissioners and city staff members "This year for the first time there is no money for seal creating said Eskridge. "That's not good. We have streets that need it but there is no place to find the money. It's going to get worse and worse if we can't do these preventative programs. We need a bond or some-

thing to catch up. "We will be out spot patching ... trying to save what we can," said Public Works Director Richard Morris. "We've been lucky there have been no real bad freeze-and-thaw-type winters in the last four or five years. If we get a bad winter we could have some major street dam-

Public Service Department Director Kimberly Lincycomb said, "\$100,000 would allow for about six miles of seal coating ... and minimum we probably need eight times that much.

"The streets near the creeks are some of the worst," she said, because "they are the ones that get most of the water."

### Man remains on bond in child sexual assault

A Pampa man was free on \$25,000 bond today after being arraigned in 223rd District Court on charges of aggravated assault. Stephen Michael McMahon, 41, 701 Zimmer, was arraigned by Judge Lee Waters who appointed Pampa attorney Ken Fields to represent McMahon.

McMahon is accused of sexually assaulting a 5-year-old girl in September, 1998, while living with the girl's mother.

The Iowa native pleaded not guilty to the charges. McMahon claims the charges were brought by the girl's mother in revenge for breaking up with her. Records indicate the girl told her mother in September, 1999, that

McMahon had performed oral, anal and vaginal sex with her while he lived with them in the 900 block of South Wells. McMahon told authorities that he and the girl's mother had lived

together, off and on, for three to five years. The father of the girl is in a Texas Criminal Justice Department

McMahon was arrested June 13, after being indicted on aggravated assault charges earlier this year by a Gray County Grand Jury. He has been free on \$25,000 bond. Judge Waters continued the



**Approximately** turned out for the White Deer Land Museum Foundation's annual "Evening Under the Stars" fund-raiser Saturday. At left, Brienne Moyer, 6, and Kyra Moyer, 1, the daughters of Angie Moyer, wait for a bite of barbecue. At right, Tiny Duncan, right, and trumpeter Bobby Wynne, left, entertain the crowd with some good of Western Swing music.



## **Daily Record**

#### Services tomorrow

DEVERS, Sam Edward - graveside, 2 p.m., **Fuesday, Memory Gardens Cemetery.** 

#### **Obituaries**

#### **SAM EDWARD DEVERS**

Sam Edward Devers, 86, of Pampa, died Saturday, Aug. 26, 2000, in Pampa. Graveside services are to be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, at Memory Gardens Cemetery with Dr. Randy White, pastor of First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Devers was born Sept. 25, 1913, at Wichita Falls, Texas. He was a Pampa resident for more than 40 years. He was retired from Tom Rose Motor Company where he had worked as a mechanic for many years.

Survivors include three sons, Sam D. Devers of Pampa, and James Devers and Gene Devers, both of Greenville; two step-daughters, Cynthia Smith of Killeen, and Cathy Carruth of Anchorage, Alaska; five sisters, Margaret Fuller and Dorthy Ritch, both of Austin; Genevive Robinson of Wallis, Mary Driscoll of Weatherford and Lora Sanders of Wichita Falls; one brother, Leo Devers of Houston; and several grandchil-

#### Carson Co. Sheriff

Carson County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the week of Aug. 21 through Aug. 27. At present, nine persons are incarcerated in Carson County Jail and nine other prisoners are being held in other jurisdictions.

Arrests for the week include the following: Dustin S. Brown, 22, Pampa, on a warrant out

Jose L. Rodriguez, 45, of Vega, for driving while intoxicated and unauthorized carrying of a

weapon by a licensed holder; Kevin McGregor, 22, Panhandle, for public intoxication; and

David S. McBrown, 33, Columbus, Ohio, for possession of marijuana over four pounds/ under 50 pounds.

#### Fires

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

Saturday, Aug. 26 responded to a motor vehicle collision at the

intersection of Ballard and Foster streets. 2:30 p.m. – One unit and three firefighters 600 block of Gray; no transport. responded to a motor vehicle collision in the 1200 3:16 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2700 block of North Hobart.

8:07 p.m. – One unit and two firefighters responded to a gas line leak on a gas meter in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

#### **Stocks**

The following grain quotations are	Columbia/HCA33 7/16 up 1/8
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Odds and ends

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (AP) — After Labor Day,

employees wearing denim clothing to work at the

Middlesex County Courthouse could get a dressing-

The courthouse's 580 workers were notified by

memos included in recent paychecks the manner of

dress is going more formal as of Sept. 5. The policy is

aimed at ensuring a dignified, professional atmos-

That means jeans, shorts, shirts without collars,

Comfort will, too, says Henry Crawn, 29, who

often wears jeans and a T-shirt to work in the 37-year-

old building where he is a judiciary clerk. Crawn said

the building's air conditioning frequently fails, and

"It's leaving me in a situation where I'm going to

go out and have to purchase more clothes," Crawn

said Sunday. "For the most part, I sit in a cubicle, and

nobody sees me," he said. "How I dress shouldn't

Workers who violate the dress policy may be sent

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — She came into the

Born at 4:40 a.m. Saturday at the Kansas City Zoo,

the as-yet unnamed baby rhino is believed to be just

the 661st eastern black rhinoceros in the world.

Both baby and mother were doing well. Within 50

She follows mom around, and mom adjusts her

height to allow the baby to nurse," said Conrad Schmitt, 200 curator. "She's doing exactly what we

according to the International Rhino Foundation.

minutes of birth, the newborn was nursing.

world at 65 pounds. Her significance in the animal

home to change and could risk having the time

65-pound 'baby' has big significance

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temperatures rise in the summertime.

affect my work productivity at all."

deducted from their vacation days.

world is even bigger.

Denim clothing nixed at courthouse

### Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Aug. 25 An unregistered 1985 Honda motorcycle was impounded by the City of Pampa about 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 26
The theft of about \$18 worth of gasoline was

reported about 10 p.m. Saturday from a convenience store in the 1000 block of Wells.

A 45-year-old Pampa man suffered minor cuts and bruises in a reported assault about 1 a.m. Saturday in the 1800 block of Alcock. Domestic violence was reported in the 100

block of North Faulkner about 1 p.m. Saturday. A convenience store in the 400 block of North Ballard reported the theft of an 18-pack of beer. Sunday, Aug. 27

A Houston man reported two dents to the left rear door of his 1996 Ford Contour sedan about 1:30 a.m. Sunday in the 1100 block of South

A yellow dirt bike was recovered after being reported stolen Sunday afternoon.

### **Sheriff's Office**

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

Sunday, Aug. 28 Timothy Dion Jackson, 26, 1105 Ennis, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety about 9 p.m. Sunday on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia.

#### **Ambulance**

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

Saturday, Aug. 26 10:43 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of North Russell and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

2:03 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to a local nursing facility. 3:15 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Golden Plains Hospital in Borger and transported one to

Baptist St. Anthony West in Amarillo. 5:57 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of south Love and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Sunday, Aug. 27 4:55 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700 12 noon - One unit and three firefighters block of North Frost and transported one to

10:31 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the

block of Chaumont Terrace and transported one

4:28 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to BSAW. 7:55 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400

block of North Carr and transported one to 9:47 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100

block of East Frederic and transported one to 10:58 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the

2200 block of North Sumner and transported one to BSA Hospice.

### **Emergency numbers**

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	
Energas	1-888-Energas
Fire	
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	
SPS	
Water	669-5830

relationship with Luyisa, who allowed veterinarian

Kirk Suedmeyer to take regular ultrasound readings

transferred to the Cincinnati zoo, which is develop-

ing a rhino program. The move will not be made for

a few years, however, because young rhinos have a

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Short of his goal

of swimming Lake Ontario both ways, marathon

swimmer Jim Dreyer was back in Canada after bad

weather conditions and poor visibility forced him

His Web site said the crew following Dreyer

pulled the plug" Sunday morning because of 10-

foot waves, deteriorating weather and reduced visi-

Dreyer was a bit nauseated from swallowing lake

Bob Johnson, Dreyer's running coach and confi-

The triathlon athlete conquered his fourth Great

Lake on Saturday. Over a course of two days, Dreyer

ran a 26.2-mile marathon, biked 112 miles and swam

He started swimming south after touching Toronto

on Saturday, heading for Niagara-on-the-Lake.

dant who accompanied the athlete on the trip,

believed Dreyer could have completed the event, if

water but was feeling well otherwise, the Web site

long nurturing period with their mothers.

Marathon swimmer pulls the plug

Kansas City's baby is scheduled eventually to be

would want her to do."

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across Lake Ontario.

#### RATING

questions to be exemplary," said Tim Powers, principal of Pampa Middle School.

Dr. Orr said Austin Elementary came quite close to gaining the exemplary rating, lacking high TAAS scores from only two or three students to have earned exemplary status, as well.

Other local school districts and school earning the "recognized" rating included Grandview-Hopkins ISD and elementary; Panhandle ISD and elementary; Lefors ISD and schools; and Miami ISD

Pampa High School, Pampa Learning Center, Lamar and Wilson elementary schools each received acceptable ratings, TEA records show.

To be rated acceptable this year, a school or school district must show a 50 percent TAAS passing rate, up from 45 percent last year. It also required a dropout rate of 6 percent or less for the student body and a 94 percent attendance rate. "Mr. Kendall (principal) and I believe that Pampa High School was only two or three students away from recognized status and only five

to seven students from exemplary," Orr said. He said Lamar Elementary is "much improved," from previous years, adding that every fourth grade student passed the writing

No schools in this area received less than

acceptable ratings, according to TEA figures.

Orr warned that Pampa ISD's rating may change next year because of changes in TAAS

requirements.
"It's going to be a harder overall test for third raders," he said, adding that guidelines for limited English students are also changing.

"Limited English students will no longer be exempted and new immigrants will only be exempted one time," he explained.

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### CAR

Convertible — Larry Grillett, Childress, 1956 Ford Sunliner; Audrey and Cleo Meaker, Pampa, 1997 Cadillac Allante. (Some categories have fewer than three winners)

Antiques — Randy Scott, Houston, Model A; Ike Avery, Amarillo, 1959 Ford; Gary Winton, Pampa, 1948 Plymouth Delux

Special Interest — Bobby Ousley, Pampa, Studebaker; Les Chester, Pampa, 1990 Harley; Al Watson, Pampa, 1947 Empire tractor.

Pickup — W.E. Moore, Pampa, 1972 Chevrolet; J.M. West, Panhandle, 1950 International; Speck Winborne, Pampa, 1949 Ford. Low Riders — T.J. BaLeso, Pampa, 2000 Kia

Sportage; Ben Martinez, Pampa, 1959 Chevrolet Impala; Raul Balero, Pampa, 1989 GMC. Model Car (9 and under) — Landon Long,

Pampa, 1969 Camero; Lynzee Bryant, Amarillo, Pet Mobile. Model Car (10-15) — Austin Morgan, Pampa,

1932 Phantom; Trevor Collins, Pampa, Malibu. Box Stock — Steve Collins, Pampa, Superbee. Custom — Brady Burns, Pampa, Malibu.

### Ramseys, police meet for first time in two years

ATLANTA (AP) — John and Patsy Ramsey investigators' questions about the 1996 death of their daughter, JonBenet.

The couple, who now live in Atlanta, arrived about 8:10 a.m. for the meeting with police from take about two days. Boulder, Colo., where the 6-year-old beauty queen was slain in their home in 1996.

'They say they need our help. We're here to help," Patsy Ramsey said as the couple arrived. "They may never clear our names till they find the killer," her husband said. "We're not here to

here to find the killer of our daughter.' Mrs. Ramsey was to go first in the questioning, followed separately by her husband. It was the first time in more than two years they had faced

The seven-member investigative team from on evidence developed over the past two years the Ramseys deny any involvement. and statements the Ramseys made in their book, 'The Death of Innocence," which came out earli-

Some of the new evidence has come from additional forensic testing. The testing has continued since a grand jury that investigated the case disbanded in October. No indictments were filed.

Beckner said the Ramseys are still under suspi-

"Either they're involved or they're witnesses," he said. "They're critical to this investigation. Certainly, there are going to be some tough questions, but we're not going to be confrontational. The more time that passes, the more difficult this is to solve."

The Ramseys' attorney, L. Lin Wood, called the meeting "an interrogation, not an interview." He said he had advised the Ramseys not to meet with police because of "the potential for innocent people to be caught up in a web of an overzealous prosecutor and unobjective or less than objective police officials."

"I think it would be safe to say there's probapledged their cooperation with police Monday bly no lawyer who would recommend they paras they arrived at their lawyer's office to answer ticipate in this kind of interrogation," Wood said.

There was no time limit on the interviews, which were to be videotaped and transcribed by a court reporter. Wood said the interviews could "John and Patsy agreed to each and every con-

dition imposed by the police department, and we imposed no conditions ourselves," Wood However, the Ramseys will end the interviews immediately if they are "attacked, abused or

prove our innocence or clear our name. We're treated unfairly," Wood said. Neither side anticipated that the interviews would result in a quick arrest or an immediate

statement from police clearing the couple. Wood said the Ramseys agreed to the interquestions from Boulder authorities. They were view in hopes of getting police to move past the questioned separately in April 1997 and again in theory that they could have played a role in their daughter's death.

JonBenet was found strangled and beaten in Boulder was being led by Police Chief Mark the basement of her family's Boulder home Dec. Beckner, who said the questioning would focus 26, 1996. No suspect has ever been named, and

While the interview may not conclusively establish the Ramseys' innocence, the couple may help their image by signaling to the public that the investigation remains open, said University of Georgia criminal law professor Ron Carlson.

'The willingness of John and Patsy to sit for interrogation, which they are not required to do, does impress many people as conduct which is inconsistent with guilt," he said.

The Boulder police team that was meeting with the Ramseys on Monday is much different from the team that investigated JonBenet's slaying in 1996 and 1997. Beckner replaced Tom Koby as chief, and three of the top investigators have left the department. Boulder District Attorney Alex Hunter is months from retirement.

On the Net: Ramseys' site: http://www.Ramseyfamily.com Boulder http://www.ci.boulder.co.us/police

### Bike found

**Juvenile Probation Officers** were today investigating the circumstances surrounding the disappearance of a yellow dirt bike over the weekend.

Conservation officials are especially pleased that Police said they were called this babwis female. In recent years, births among capabout 5 p.m. Sunday concerning a tive eastern black rhinos have been disproportionatemissing 1985 Suzuki dirt bike in the 800 block of East Foster. The rhino mother, named Luyisa, was brought

Authorities said a 17-year-old here from Addo Elephant National Park in South Pampa boy told them that he had Africa in 1997. Zookeepers had developed a trusting seen someone riding a bike like his Saturday afternoon but had not realized that his was missing.

About three hours of investigation by Pampa Police Officer Connie Lockridge Sunday afternoon resulted in the recovery of the missing dirt bike.

Officers said the case had been turned over to juvenile authorities for further investigation.

**City Briefs** The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

SUNSET BAR & Grill Pool 1/2 PRICE sale continues on all Summer clothing. New items Tournament every Tues. night 8

have been added. Check out the p.m. No entry fee. \$75-1st place. new items for Fall. Tralee-Resale Shop, 308 S. Cuyler. **BARGAIN PRICES at Best** 

Kept Secrets Back Room Sale, 1925 N. Hobart. CLOTHING ROOM Mary El-

len & Harvester Church of Christ (building across the street, south of Pampa High School) open Tues. Aug. 29th, 9-1 p.m., or call 665-2373, lv. msg. for appt.

SUNSET BAR & Grill-Now open daily! To be given away for each Dallas Cowboys Home Game, tickets for 2!! 1st game Sept. 3rd. Drawing will be Aug. 28. Every time you visit, you have 1 more chance!! Must be present to win. Call 665-7119 for more info.

#### Weather focus

PAMPA — Mostly sunny and hot today with a high from 99-103 and southwest winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, mostly clear with a low of 68 and south winds at 5-15 mph. Tomorrow, mostly sunny with a high of 96-100 and southwest winds at 10-20 mph. Yesterday's high was 98; the overnight low 68.
STATEWIDE — No rain is in

sight for the rest of the month in North Texas, where a new record regional dry spell.

It's been 58 consecutive days without measurable rainfall at Conroe Dallas-Fort Worth International Intercontinental Airport; 79 at Airport. That ties the record first San Angelo; and 84 at Laughlin mountains and the far west.

set in 1934 and matched in 1950, the National Weather Service said Monday.

With no precipitation in the forecast, that record will likely fall by Tuesday. The week also begins with the 35th day of triple-digit heat.

An upper-level ridge over Northwest Texas continued to keep skies clear and moisture Early-morning lows in the

state Monday ranged from the 60s to 80s. It was 66 degrees at s expected to be broken for a both Dalhart and Marfa and 86 at Wichita Falls.

Other readings included 73 at Houston and

Air Force Base and Port Aransas. Winds were mostly southerly statewide at 5 to 15 mph, with stronger gusts around Laredo, Fort Stockton, Lubbock and

Sunday's high of 105 was recorded at both Mineral Wells and Wichita Falls.

Highs through midweek were expected to range from 98 to 105 at the Rio Grande, with near 90 along the coast. Lows overnight should be in the 70s.

Some isolated sea breeze showers or thunderstorms could form over deep South Texas. A slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms was forecast over the southwestern

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## Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call (806) 455-1492.

tion, call 665-2331. **CLEAN AIR AL-ANON** 

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. For more information, call Diane Wells at (806) 455-1492. 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is extending clinic hours in Pampa. The clinic is now open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A. Special evening hours until 6 p.m. are available by appointment. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a preschool story hour at 10 a.m. every Tuesday this fall beginning Sept. 5. The free program is open to children 18 months to 5 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

**BSA FALL VOLUNTEER TRAINING** BSA Hospice Pampa will present its Fall Volunteer Training and Community Education Class from 6-9 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, Sept. 11-Oct. 12, at Clarendon College, 1601 W. Kentucky. This comprehensive class is designed for adults who are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, want to learn more about hospice care or desire personal growth and enrichment. This program is offered free of charge to the Pampa, Borger and surrounding communities and continuing education unit's will be awarded by CC. For more information or to pre-register, call Janet McCracken, volunteer coordinator, BSA

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Hospice Pampa, at (806) 665-6677. FIRST BAPTIST WOMEN'S RETREAT First Baptist Church "Choices of the Heart" Women's Retreat is slated Sept. 29-Oct. 1 at New Beginnings Retreat Center in Channing with retreat leader Martha Baker. Total cost of the retreat is \$87 (two per room). Twenty-five dollars is due Aug. 25 to reserve a spot. The balance must be paid by Sept. 15. Fees refundable upon request by Sept. 21. To register or for more information,

**CANYON RHYTHMS** 

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will present "Canyon Rhythms" art show and sale beginning at 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 9 at the museum in Canyon. To attend the gala and auction, participants must RSVP by Aug. 31. For more information, call the museum at (806) 651-2244. The art show will be held from 12-5 p.m. Sept. 9 and from 1-4 p.m., Sept. 10.

PRE-LABOR DAY BLOOD DRIVE Coffee Memorial Blood Center, 1915 Coulter Dr., Amarillo, will sponsor a pre-Labor Day Blood Drive from 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 and from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 2 at the center. In an effort to avoid the blood drought, Kiwanis, Lions and Rotary Clubs of Amarillo and Canyon have planned a competition to see which service group can donate the most blood. Donating blood saves lives and makes a lifetime of difference to those in need of the gift of life. For more information, contact Linda Guthrie at (806) 358-4563.

CANYON CAMPFIRE CELEBRATION A "Canyon Campfire Celebration" will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 3 at Caprock Canyons State Park at Quitaque. Activities will include storytelling, singing and fiddle playing. Participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and sticks for

roasting marshmallows. Cost will be \$5 for adults Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from and \$2 for children under 13. For more informa-

CAPROCK CANYONS

Caprock Canyons State Park and Caprock Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Canyons Trailway State Park at Quitaque will conduct nature hikes at 9 a.m., Sept. 2 and 16 as well as "Birding 101" at 9 a.m. Sept. 9 and 23. In addition, a campfire gathering will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 2, a Clarity Tunnel Adventure is slated at 6 p.m. Sept. 9 and "Canyon Ramblings" will begin at 5:45 p.m. Sept. 23. For more information, call

**PALO DURO PIONEERS** 

Palo Duro Canyon State Park will offer a "Palo Duro Pioneers" children's program from 2-3 p.m., Aug. 12, 19 and 26 and 29 at the Interpretive Theater. Topics will vary weekly and may include plants, wildlife, geology and history. Parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

**NATURE HIKES** 

is a not-for-profit health care organization serving The following nature hikes are scheduled from 9-11:30 a.m. at Palo Duro Canyon State Park: Aug. 12 and 19, Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail, 2.5-mile hike; Aug. 26, Sunflower Trail, 2mile walk. Participants should bring water and good walking shoes. The walks will include discussions on geology, history, wildlife and plants. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

**PDCSP PROGRAMS** Palo Duro Canyon State Park will host a series of evening programs throughout the month at Lone Star Theater near Watercrossing 1. Topics and dates are as follows: "Canyon Critters," 9 p.m., Aug. 11, 25; "Canyon Chat," 9 p.m., Aug. 12, 18, 26; "Long Bow: Trader, Trapper, Teacher," 8 p.m., Aug. 13; "Wildflower Safari," 9 p.m., Aug. 19; "PANSAR K-9 Rescue," 8 p.m., Aug. 20; "Night Noises," 9 p.m., Aug. 27. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

**APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM** 

Texas Folklife Resources is currently accepting applications for its Apprenticeship program. The Apprenticeships in the Folk Arts program encouraged the continuation of Texas traditional arts by providing master artists funds for training qualified apprentices. Texas traditional arts or folk arts are those art forms learned informally, often passed from generation to generation. Deadline for application is Sept. 1. All participants must be residents of Texas. For more information or for an application, contact Caroline Herring, program coordinator, at: Texas Folklife Resources, 1317 South Congress, Austin, TX 78704; or call (512) 441-9255.

**HERITAGE FEST** 

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

**COUNTRY DOCTOR AWARD** 

Staff Care, Inc., is seeking nominations for the 2000 Country Doctor of the Year Award. Nominees will be judged on the following criteria: Scope of care; continuity of care (nominees must have served their communities for a minimum of five years); rural location (communities of 25,000 or less); and dedication. For nomination forms or for more information, call 1-80°)-685-2272.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: Sept. 11, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, and Aug. 14 and Sept. 5, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost selfexam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

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Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem-solving skills, good relationships with older people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Price, regional Ombudsman, or Shirley Sheldon, Ombudsman Program Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX,

SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAM

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

**AISE** 

American Intercultural Student Exchange is a non-

profit educational foundation seeking local host families for high school foreign exchange students for the 2000-01 school year. The students, which come from 25 countries throughout the world, live with American families and attend local high schools during their 10 month exchange. Host families provide the students with a place to sleep, meals and a family atmosphere. For more information, call 1-800-SIBLING or visit AISE website, Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at www.aise.com.

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

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

**USS BAYFIELD** 

The USS Bayfield APA33 will hold its annual reunion Sept. 10-14. For more information, contact Jim Davlin at (409) 925-2268. **USS COLUMBUS** 

The USS Columbus will hold its reunion Oct. 4-9 at Fort Mitchell, Ky. For more information, call (605) 787-4038. Mailing address: Pat Condon, Asst. Secretary, P.O. Box 270, Piedmont, SD 57769-0270.

MS SOCIETY Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to The Multiple Sclerosis Society offers a monthly program for people with MS every third Thursday of each month. Some of the topics covered include: "Moving Forward: A Program for People Newly Diagnosed with MS," "When MS Progresses," "Intimacy and MS," "Life after Diagnosis: A Wellness Approach" and much more. A transcript is provided at the site after each program. For more information, call 1-800-FIGHT-MS or (806) 468-7500 or contact the National MS website at www.nmss.org and select Educational Programs.

T.O.P.S. #149 Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

T.O.P.S. #41

noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. **VFW CHARITY BINGO** 

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657. 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 moon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. **CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS** 

The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at 822 E. Foster. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work ses-

PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

### P.E.O. Book Review fund-raiser



Carolyn Miller, (left-right) Betty Hallerberg and Judy Sutton work on table centerpieces for the upcoming P.E.O. Chapter CS Brunch and Book Review slated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 16 at Pampa Country Club. The book, "The Wheel of Life - a Memoir of Living and Dying," the memoir of Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, M.D., will be reviewed by Carol Headrick of Stillwater, Okla. This is Headrick's fourth year to present a book review for the chapter. The public is cordially invited to attend. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased from a chapter CS member. For more information or to make a reservation, call 665-0171 or 665-7064 by Sept. 11. The book Review is one of two fund-raisers for P.E.O. The other is the sale of fresh Christmas greenery in October to be delivered in late November. P.E.O., a philanthropic educational organization dedicated to advancing the education of women, uses the funds for college scholarships for area students.

**Intentions to Drill** GRAY (WILDCAT) Phillips Petroleum Co., #1-2 A.A. Webb, East line, Sec. 2,A-6,H&GN, PD

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Sonic Volleyball Tournamnet **September 16, 2000** Six man team, \$6.00 donation for each team. donation will go to the Special Olympics. Each team member will be given a gift for

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Entries due by September 9, 2000

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### MEDICAL

## Kids Q&A

Q: How healthy is emu meat?

A: Although there isn't a huge national movement to "eat more emu," this native Australian game bird gets high marks for its lowfat, low-calorie, iron-rich red meat, say nutritionists at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Ounce for ounce, emu contains about the same amount of fat, saturated fat, cholesterol and calories as the light meat of chicken. But, because emu is rich in myoglobin, an iron-containing compound, it offers much more iron-more than four times as much. A 3.5-ounce portion of uncooked emu provides 5 milligrams of iron, I 00 calories, 1.5 grams of fat and 50 -milligrams of cholesterol.

Farm-raised emu can generally be ordered from specialty meat companies. Ground emu is great for burgers, while filets are popu-

lar for marinating and grilling.

Although emu and most game meats are generally low in fat, it's still wise to follow the USDA Food Guide Pyramid guidelines and limit consumption of meat products to five to seven ounces per day.

Q: How can I lose the 15 pounds I gained while away at college for the first time this year?

A: The healthiest approach to losing those "freshman 15" is counting Food Guide Pyramid servings while keeping close tabs on the extra fat and sugar in your diet, said Dr. Karen Cullen, a behavioral nutritionist with the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. This approach can also help you keep your caloric intake on track once you're back at school.

The minimum number of servings suggested by the Pyramid, plus an extra serving of fat-free dairy for bone health, provides all the nutrition you need for a healthy 1600-1700 calories a day.

This dally plan includes: —6 servings of grains (one slice of bread or 1/2 cup pasta equals one serving)

-5 servings of vegetables and fruits (in general, 1/2 cup equals one serv-

—3 servings of dairy (one cup skim milk or 1 1/2 ounce low-fat cheese equals one serving)

—5 ounces of lean meat

This plan should result in a slow steady weight loss of one to 1-1/2 pounds per week for most normally active young women, which means you should be able to lose that extra 15 pounds in just over three months. But keep in mind, a minimum of 30 minutes of exercise three times a week is also critical for weight control. To help you stay motivated, consider keeping a dally food and physical activity diary to monitor your progress.

To learn more about using the Food Guide Pyramid and por-USDA the http://www.usda.gov/cnpp/

Q: I heard that pregnant women shouldn't eat hot dogs. Is this true?

A: Pregnant women don't need to ban hot dogs from their picnic fare, but they do need to be sure that the weiners they eat are thoroughly cooked, say nutritionists at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Undercooked hot dogs, deli-style meats, soft cheeses and raw milk products can harbor listeria, a type of bacteria that can cause miscarriages.

Heat kills listeria. So, hot dogs, luncheon meats, cold cuts,fermented and dry sausage and other deli-style meats, and poultry products that are reheated until steaming are considered safe to eat. However, soft cheeses like Brie, Camembert, and blue-veined and Mexican-style cheeses, which cannot be reheated, and unpasteurized milk products should be avoided.

Pregnant women, the elderly and others at risk for food-home illnesses are also advised to pay close attention to the expiration date on precooked and ready-to-eat perishable foods and to follow good hand-washing and food-handling practices.

\*\*\*\* Send your nutrition questions via U.S. mail to: Kids' Nutrition Q & A, USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine, 1100 Bates Street, Houston, TX 77030; or via email to: cnrc@bcm.tmc.edu. Questions of general interest will be answered in this column.

### Drug, gene therapy show promising cancer result

combination of gene therapy and drugs is showing promise in treating head and neck cancers, researchers in Texas

If borne out in further trials, the findings could point the way to more effective treatment of almost 500,000 people who suffer head and neck cancers

annually. nation therapy caused tumors the use of tobacco and alcohol. to shrink in 25 of 30 patients tested. Their findings are reported in a recent issue of the journal Nature Medicine.

Cancerous tumors, some as large as 2 /2 inches, disappeared in eight patients, the scientists reported. In others, the tumors shrank by up to half.

The positive findings are reported as gene therapy has come under close scrutiny after the death of a patient undergoing experimental treatment last

September. The field has been criticized for too much hype and two few successes, said W. French Anderson of the University of Southern California, who was not involved in the newly reported research.

Anderson added in an article accompanying the new paper, "Gene therapy seems to be turning the corner after a very bad year."

In the new paper, a team led already, but you can't see it cliniby the Houston clinic's Fadlo Khuri used a specially engi-

mutated tumor suppressor gene treatment alone. called p53. That mutated gene not damage normal cells.

chemotherapy drugs, tisplatin after six months. and 5-fluorouracil, in patients

WASHINGTON (AP) — A neered virus called ONYX-015, in combination with chemother- the gene therapy in combinawhich destroys cells with a apy is more effective than either tion with other methods of

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In the trial, the ONYX-015 Anderson Cancer Clinic in cer of the head and neck. These tumors. The scientists suggest- Princess Margaret Hospital, Houston report that the combi-cancers are often associated with ed that future trials look into other methods of administra- Pharmaceutical, They reported that ONYX-015 tion and the possibility of using Calif.

treatment, including radiation

and surgery

Besides Khuri, scientists parhead and neck tumors, the sci- to 40 percent of patients, and ticipating in the research represented U.S. Oncology, Dallas; son, none of the responding the University of Glasgow, Scotland; Royal Marsden the team added the traditional nation therapy had reappeared Hospital and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, both in London; Western General Scientists at the M.D. with recurrent squamous cell can- was injected directly into the Hospital, Edinburgh, Scotland; Toronto; and ONYX Richmond,

### Brain scan could act as stress test for Alzheimer's

The brains of people with a genetic risk for Alzheimer's have to work harder than normal to perform simple memory tasks long before any outward symptoms of the disease develop, a

study suggests. The findings suggest that the measuring technique used in the study could develop into a kind of mental stress test for early detection of Alzheimer's, much like treadmill tests for heart abnormalities.

Zaven Khachaturian, former director of the Alzheimer's Research Office at the National Institutes of Health, said the study is exciting because it bolsters hope of identifying patients who could benefit from early

drug treatment. There's something wrong

cally," he said. The study was conducted by scientists at the University of deficiencies and other early mark-California at Los Angeles and was ers that may foretell Alzheimer's. published in the New England Journal of Medicine. They recruited 30 people ages 47 to 82, all of whom had tested normal on conventional memory tests.

They were checked for APOE E4 allele, a gene variant already known to be associated with Alzheimer's. Then, their brains were scanned with magnetic resonance imaging while they

Those with the Alzheimer's gene produced scan signals that were about twice as strong and more widespread than those of other participants. The magnetic signals indicate greater blood flow — and thus greater mental effort — in regions of the brain Brigham and Women's Hospital near the temple and forehead, the researchers say.

Earlier research had implicated those areas in Alzheimer's.

This study, though, is the first time that researchers have identified brain differences in at-risk people while they perform assigned mental tasks.

"The brains appeared to be compensating. The brains of people with the genetic risk have to work harder," said UCLA psychiatrist Dr. Gary Small, who led the research.

In its early results, his team recalled words memorized from a tested 14 of the same people two years later. None was diagnosed with Alzheimer's, but those with the strongest signals two years earlier tended to lose the most memory ability.

"It has the potential to be a diagnostic tool," said Dr. Reisa Sperling, a neurologist at in Boston.

Scientists cautioned that patients must be studied for longer to be sure the test is pick-In recent years, researchers ing up on early Alzheimer's, not

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have pinpointed metabolic brain just the normal effects of aging. Keyes Pharmacy. 669-1202 Se' Habla **Espanol** 

### Healthbeat: Experts urge more aggressive testing, treatment of diabetes

By LAURAN NEERGAARD **AP Medical Writer** 

WASHINGTON (AP) — The statistic is dismal: Americans too often have the most common form of diabetes silently festering for up to 12 years before they're diagnosed.

That's 12 years that diabetes quietly eats away your vision, injures your kidneys and nerves and sets you up for heart disease - damage that's preventable if only people learned sooner that they have

Worse, half of diagnosed patients don't have their diabetes controlled well enough to stop that early damage from worsening. And experts estimate hundreds of thousands skip a test they're supposed to take every few months that's crucial for improving therapy.

Shouldn't your doctor know if you're at risk for diabetes and test you? If you've got it, shouldn't the doctor automatically provide the proper exams, including that often-skipped "A1C" test, to adjust your therapy? Ideally, yes.

But doctors aren't doing a good enough job, says a new government call for more aggressive diabetes screening and care — a call that urges at-risk Americans to demand their physicians check them.

'We're trying to get the word out so people who are at risk will ask their doctors," says Dr. Judith Fradkin of the National Diabetes Education Program, a federal initiative to improve the alarming state of diabetes care and diagnosis. "There's so much we can do for you" if the illness is discovered early.

The NDEP's new call to action, published recently in the Journal of the American Medical Association, is important because too many people don't realize how serious diabetes is, says Dr. Robert Sherwin, president of the American Diabetes Association.

"A 'touch of diabetes' is what you constantly hear, the implication being that's not a serious problem," when in fact even borderline diabetes is dangerous, Sherwin says.

Diabetics' bodies cannot regulate blood sugar, or glucose.

Some 16 million Americans have the disease, and experts say at least a third don't know it. It's a leading cause of blindness, kidney failure, limb amputations. It dramatically increases the risk of heart attacks, and kills 180,000 Americans each year.

Type 1 diabetes, also called "juvenile" diabetes, typically strikes in childhood. Patients' bodies cannot make insulin, a hormone crucial to converting glucose into energy. Regular insulin injections keep them alive.

But the vast majority of diabetics have the Type 2 form — the dia-

betes that sneaks up on you. These patients' bodies gradually lose the ability to use insulin properly. Over time, high glucose levels damage their blood vessels, leading to heart, eye, kidney and nerve injury. Indeed, at diagnosis some 20 percent of patients have enough eye damage to calculate

they've actually had diabetes for up to 12 years, Fradkin said. Type 2 diabetes is most common after age 40; risk rises with increasing age. Unfortunately, however, overweight children increasingly are getting Type 2 diabetes, too. Some patients require insulin

injections, but most are prescribed other medications, diet and exer-So who should seek a diabetes test?

Sherwin recommends routine screening at age 45, but says people with more than one risk factor need testing earlier. Risks include: -Being overweight.

 Having a close relative who had diabetes. -For women, having a baby who weighed more than 9 pounds at

Being black, Hispanic, American Indian or Asian. In addition, Sherwin urges anyone with high cholesterol or high blood pressure to seek a diabetes test — saying even borderline-high

blood sugar can make your cholesterol problem twice as bad. Tightly controlling fluctuating blood sugar protects diabetics from the disease's deadly complications. Patients check daily glucose levels with finger-prick blood tests. But about every three months, they also need an "A1C" or "hemoglobin A1C" test. This more intricate blood test measures how well you're doing over time, so doctors

know if you need a medication change.

It's a cheap test, usually \$15 to \$30. Yet "people aren't getting it,"

Fradkin laments. No one knows why; maybe because so many diabetics get care from doctors who aren't diabetes specialists.

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Among those who do get A1C testing, half discover they're not adequately treated, prompting the federal diabetes program to urge more aggressive therapy.

Sherwin urges Americans to take an active role. Ask your doctor about screening if you're at risk, and if you have diabetes: "Ask about A1C testing every time you walk into the doctor's office" to ensure you get that test on time.

To learn more, call the National Diabetes Education Program at 1-800-438-5383 or visit its Internet site at http://ndep.nih.gov — or check the ADA at http://www.diabetes.org.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Lauran Neergaard covers health and medical issues for The Associated Press in Washington.

#### Study sees mixed success in finding women for health research

The government has had mixed success in its 15-year push to enroll more women in heart studies, researchers say.

The effort grew out of a recognition that women were underrepresented in studies of new drugs, new procedures and risk factors for heart disease and stroke. Researchers realized that women tend to get sick about 10 years later in life but live longer, so that their lifetime risk of heart disease is about the same as men's.

In a study published in the New England Journal of Medicine, researchers led by University of Wisconsin-Madison cardiologist Pamela Douglas looked at 121 clinical trials on cardiovascular disease funded between 1965 and 1998 by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute.

The three lowest years for female participation were for tests beginning in 1972, 1973 and 1981 — all less than 5 percent. The three highest years — all above 80 percent — were 1991, 1992 and 1996.

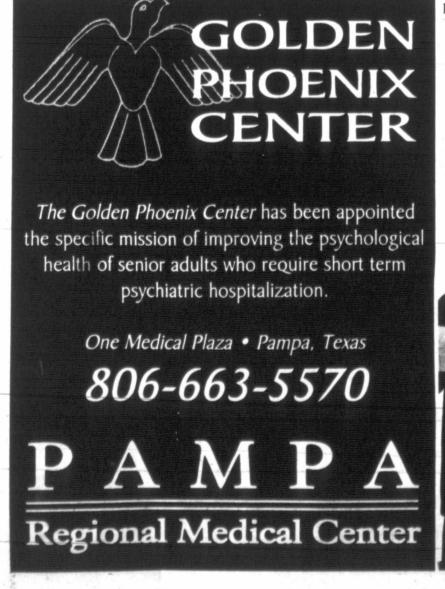
During the 33-year period, women accounted for 54 percent of all test subjects, though they represent just 49 percent of heart patients

Douglas was disappointed to find that women were just 38 percent of participants in mixed-sex studies. Also, much of the overall progress stemmed from two women-only studies each with tens of thousands of patients in the early 1990s.

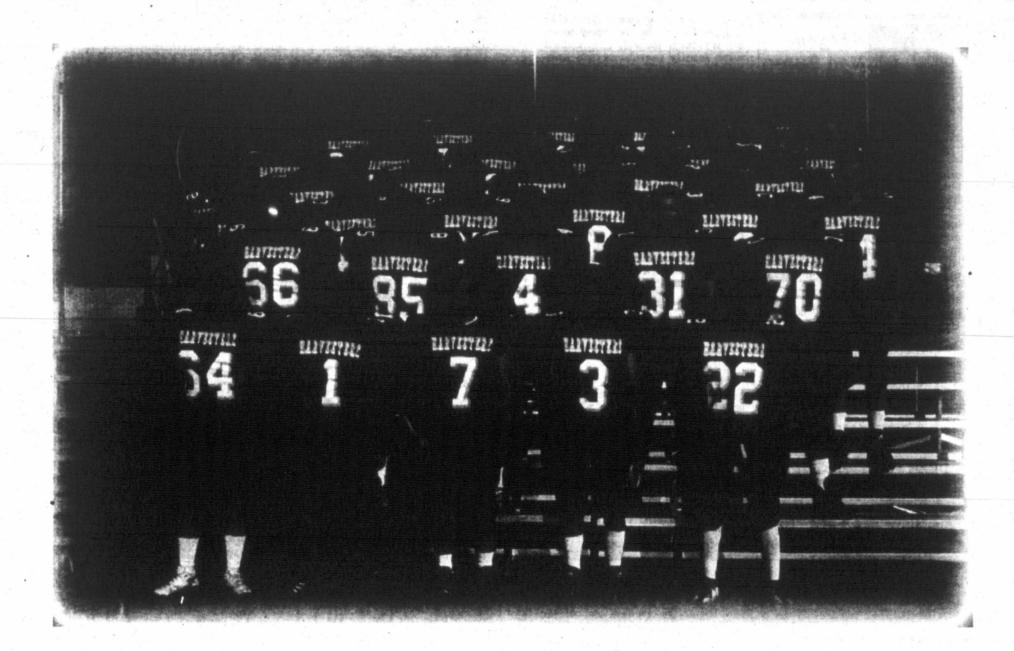
Women represented just 26 percent of participants in the total of six studies of congestive heart failure. Most of the studies focused instead on high blood pressure and coronary artery disease.

About 60 million Americans suffer from some kind of cardiovascular illness, which leads all diseases in killing about 950,000 a year. Some critics say male scientists have been more interested in treating the health problems of men. Others say that pregnancies and the childbearing potential of women legitimately keep many from participating in studies.

Spokesmen for the heart institute said they want to look at what is behind the relative scarcity of women in heart failure studies. They added that the small number of tests in that area may be mis-



# Harvester Football



August 31st at 5:00 pm Freshmen vs Dalhart at Dalhart

August 31st at 6:30 pm Jr. Varsity vs Dalhart at Dalhart

September 1st at 7:30 pm Varsity vs Dalhart at Pampa

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DEAR ABBY: It was about 3 a.m. The call came in as a signal 14. In laymen's terms, it means someone died. A 47-year-old, terminally ill woman had succumbed to stomach cancer. The call was close to the station so we beat the ambulance to the scene.

When we arrived, it seemed like her entire extended family was there. As we were about to enter the bedroom, the daughter asked if we were there to pick up her mother. We asked if they had DNR (Do Not Resuscitate) papers. She said yes, but they were at the hospital. Instead of starting CPR (which is what we are supposed to do when the DNR papers are not present), our paramedic called medical control, the doctor in charge of our service. Fortunately, he agreed that CPR should not

Abby, this scenario has happened more than once, and I am getting a little angry. My anger is toward the system that sometimes puts family and loved ones between a rock and a hard place. The hospital and doctor know that a copy of the DNR papers has to be make sure they know the right with the patient at all times or things to do. they technically don't exist. Instead of letting their mother die in peace, that family almost experienced the sight of her receiving advanced care life support. For anyone who is not aware, this is far more than giving chest compressions and mouth-to-mouth. She would have had a tube down her throat to aid in breathing, a

Horoscope

**TUESDAY, AUG. 29, 2000** 

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Accept an invitation.

Play the night away.

at home

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

\* ★ ★ A lot gets dumped on you. Sort

through what is necessary and make your

own decisions. Independence marks your

actions. Establish a new beginning with

office relationships. Discussions have an

odd tone. Keep trying until you are sure

that understanding is mutual. Tonight:

\*\*\* Decide on a new beginning

with a child or loved one. A change in

attitude is appropriate and benefits you.

Though another might test your limits

and inadvertently challenge you, your

new attitude makes all the difference.

Maintain a positive attitude. Tonight:

\*\*\* You have so many ideas and

often overwhelmed. Learn to communi-

understanding becomes mutual.

Brainstorm with family. Tonight: Happy

\*\*\*\* You must not become dis-

5-Dynamic; 4-Positive;



succession of body-wrenching shocks would have been given, IV

When my stepfather lost his battle with lung cancer, my ity. All she had to do was call hospice, and they sent a medical examiner to pick him up. No ambulance. No fire truck. Just a peaceful, dignified way to deal

Everyone will have to deal with this situation at some time or another. Please, Abby, tell your readers that when this happens to them, or to someone they know, to

**CARING FIREFIGHTER** 

**DEAR FIREFIGHTER: You** 

seeking solutions, and one will come in

your direction. Your mind works quickly.

Don't sound out every idea or thought

with others. They could easily go on

\*\*\* Financial matters take a new

twist. Make a decision to change present

patterns. Others run to pitch in. Many of

you might question which way to go.

Your sense of humor comes out with a

an opportunity - jump on it. Tonight:

\*\*\* You find yourself in a tizzy,

with so many decisions to make. You see

many opportunities. You might not be

sure about which way to go. Making a

decision doesn't mean a life commit-

ment. Lighten up. A boss backs you 100

percent. Tonight: The world is your oys-

\*\*\* Let others reveal their ideas.

Right now, your best course of action is

to explore different options, but don't

commit. Communication sizzles. You

could easily go on overload. Examine

your options with a trusted friend or

adviser. Count on this person. Tonight:

\*\*\* Keep your goal in mind during

actions. Your best way to stay clear is to

sort through different possibilities with a

friend whose thinking you admire.

overload. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Work as late as necessary.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

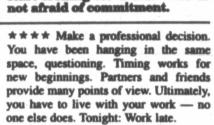
Do some thinking.

with family members and doc-tors, and copies must be readily available. Thank you for your urgent reminder.

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "Bob" for seven months. We're both 25. I am in love with him. He is changing jobs and moving out of state in four months. I want to get married and start a family, but any mention of the word "marriage" makes him very nervous. He says he loves me — that I am "perfect" for him — but he doesn't want me to move out of state with him. He says he can't ask me to make that commitment because he's not sure

**DEAR COLORADO LADY: I** 

If, three months after he not afraid of commitment.



\*\* An opportunity to learn more and grow presents itself. Don't say no. Jump on it. Confusion surrounds work as, sudchild or loved one. Don't just recognize denly, you see much potential. Honor your desires. Don't put a long-term dream on hold. Make calls and communicate with others at a distance. Tonight:

> \*\*\* Sometimes you need to verify information, even if it comes from a trusted source. You easily could be overgoes a long way to ease the way for a child or loved one. Deal with a change-

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

you do. Understand your potential. Tonight: Listen to a partner. **BORN TODAY** 

actor Elliot Gould (1938), author Oliver Wendell Holmes (1809)

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at http://www.jacquelinebigar.com.

### Finances play a major role. Tonight:

lines, drugs, etc.

mother had worked everything out in advance with the hospice facilwith a very traumatic situation.

IN TEXAS

have taken care of that - and graphically, I might add. Although some people want every effort made to be resuscitated, many do not. Those who do not should keep in mind your warning that for their wishes to be obeyed, they must be written down, discussed

what he wants.

Do you think I'm wasting my time with Bob, or should I give him more time and hope he changes his

**COLORADO LADY IN WAITING** 

admire his honesty, and whether this has been a waste of time remains to be seen. Absence can make the heart grow fonder, so give him time to realize how much he cares for you and misses you

moves, you see no change in attitude and he's still nervous at the mention of marriage, start looking for a man who is

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Surf the Net. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

able friend. Tonight: Share with a loved

\*\* You might feel like tossing in the towel at work. A boss makes demands that make you most uncomfortable. Rather than react, study your alternatives. Recognize how many hours a day your work fills up. You need to like what

Entertainer Michael Jackson (1958),

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### couraged when facing a challenge. Keep SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **Crossword Puzzle**

cate more effectively, and don't distance discussions. Others could easily over-

yourself from others. If you keep at it, whelm you with ideas, feelings and

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### By THOMAS JOSEPH

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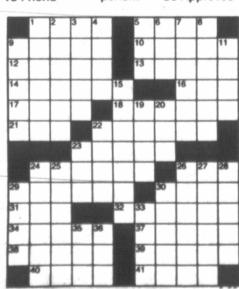
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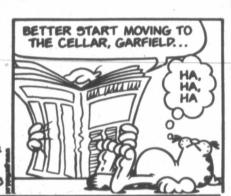












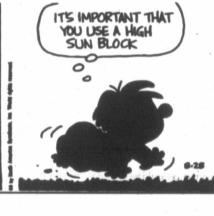
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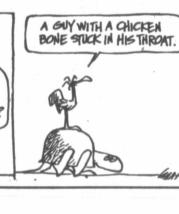






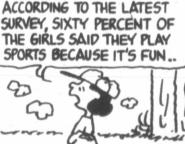
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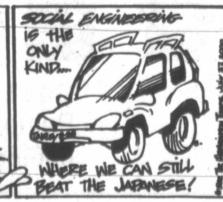






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### SPORTS

### Notebook

**FOOTBALL** 

CANYON — West Texas A&M University opened the college football season Saturday with a 50-0 rout of Western New Mexico.

Dewayne Miles ran for two scores and Rick Leach threw for two more to lead the Buffs' offense.

By halftime, WT was leading by a 40-0 score.

Miles paced WT's ground attack with 140 yards on a dozen carries. Leach completed 6 of 11 pass attempts for 190 yards.

Mario King was WT's leading receiver with four catches for 106 yards.

The Buffs finished with 569 yards in total offense.

WT, which has an open date this week, plays at Midwestern State on Sept. 9.

#### BASKETBALL

**HOUSTON (AP)** — The Houston Comets completed another championship run by beating the New York Liberty 79-73 in overtime Saturday for their fourth WNBA championship in a row, remaining the only champions in the league's history.

The only NBA team to win at least four in a row was the Boston Celtics, who won eight in a row, ending in 1966. The last major sport pro team to win four in a row was the NHL's New York Islanders, from 1980-83.

#### **OLYMPICS**

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — Beijing, Paris, Toronto, Istanbul and Osaka were selected Monday as finalists in the bidding for the 2008 Summer Olympics.

The International Olympic Committee executive board trimmed the preliminary field of 10 cities to a shortlist of five official candidates.

Eliminated from the race were Bangkok, Thailand; Cairo, Egypt; Havana; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and Seville, Spain.

The cutoff came 10 1/2 months before the full IOC selects the 2008 host city at its session in Moscow in July,

The IOC said Beijing, Paris, Toronto and Osaka, "reached an overall grade above the established benchmark," for

Olympic bid cities. The board also accepted a recommendation of a working group to include Istanbul, making a third consecutive bid, as a fifth candidate city.

On another issue, the IOC board gave final approval to introducing tests for the banned performance-enhancing drug erythropoietin, or EPO, at the upcoming Sydney Games.

The tests were endorsed Sunday by the IOC juridical commission, which found no legal impediments to using the controls and recommended their final approval Monday by the executive board.

A combined urine and blood test for EPO was backed earlier this month by the IOC medical commission and outside scientific experts. But final authorization was required by the legal commission and executive board.

The field for the 2008 Games will include cities from Asia, Europe and North America.

Beijing, which lost by two votes to Sydney in the 1993 ballot for the 2000 Games, is widely considered the city to beat.

With its population of 1.26 billion, China offers a vast, untapped market for the Olympics. But China's human rights record could again be a major issue, as pro-Tibet groups have already threatened to wage a cam-

paign against Beijing's bid. The new "candidate acceptance procedure" was introduced as part of the reforms adopted by the IOC last year following the bribery scandal centering on Salt Lake City's winning bid for the 2002 Winter Games.

## NFL vets looking for work after final cuts

By BARRY WILNER **AP Football Writer** 

The final NFL cutdown day was a mixed bag for Cris Dishman.

While other veterans such as Anthony Johnson, Billy Joe make their team's roster Sunday, Dishman wasn't unemployed for

The 12-year veteran was cut by Kansas City after being beaten out by Eric Warfield. But he landed on his feet in Minnesota, agreeing to a contract with the Vikings and likely will become a starter at left cornerback.

Johnson, the only back to rush for 1,000 yards in Panthers history, was released. New Orleans did the same to Tolliver, who started seven games last year. The unfortunate Brown, still suffering sight problems after being hit in the eye by an official's penalty flag last December, was placed on the physically unable to perform list by Cleveland.

Other veterans finding themselves unemployed: quarterback

Doug Pederson (Eagles), place- cap reasons last spring. kicker Todd Peterson (Seahawks), safety Omar Stoutmire (Jets), center Mike Devlin (Cardinals), tight end Ryan Wetnight (Bears), cornerback Michael Booker (Falcons), guard Brian DeMarco (Bengals), Tolliver and Orlando Brown didn't safety Leomond Evans (Lions), running back Raymont Harris (Patriots), placekicker Joe Nedney (Raiders), linebacker Gabe future." Northern (Steelers), and receiver Charlie Jones (Chargers).

Overall, there were few surprises as all 31 NFL teams got down to the 53-player limit.

The Falcons traded tight end O.J. in Santiago, a key player on their NFC championship team two years ago, to Dallas for two draft "I feel very comfortable he'll be

able to walk in and contribute immediately," Cowboys coach Dave Campo said. Denver sent cornerback Chris Watson, who sparkled on returns

as a rookie last year, to Buffalo for an undisclosed draft choice. He is expected to fill the return spot Kevin Williams held last year. Williams was released for salary-

Tolliver lost his spot to Jake Delhomme and Aaron Brooks as a backup to Jeff Blake.

"It was not so much what Billy didn't do as what Jake and Aaron did do," coach Jim Haslett said. to let go. We think they're going to needs a veteran backup after a seabe pretty good players in the

Chiefs coach Gunther Cunningham feels the same way about Warfield.

"I think Cris has had a great career in the NFL, but we're going another direction,' Cunningham said. "The ball is in promise of younger players," Eric Warfield's court and we'll see coach Bill Belichick said, referring what he does with it."

Brown has been unable to play the referee's flag, and his career is players." in jeopardy. Brown cannot practice could remain on the PUP list or be eral manager in 1997. placed on the non-football injured

lawsuit against the NFL and has draft choice your expectations of retained lawyer Johnny Cochran. them and their expectations of lot to the club over the years."

who began last season as Philadelphia's starting quarter-back, was released by the Eagles, leaving Koy Detmer as Donovan "They're young guys that you hate Cleveland, where Tim Couch

> Detmer's brother Ty. Harris sat out last season with a stress fracture in his left leg. The Patriots need a veteran runner, but he wasn't the answer.

> son-ending injury to his sub, Koy

"I don't think it was so much about him (playing poorly) as the to Kevin Faulk and J.R. Redmond, their only remaining runners. "It since being hit in the right eye by ends abruptly for a lot of these

Including Booker. He was Dan or play for the first six weeks of the Reeves' first-ever draft pick (11th season. After that time, Brown overall) as Falcons coach and gen-

"Definitely, anybody is tough (to release) when you draft them," Brown is considering filing a Reeves said. "When you get a high

Eight-year veteran Pederson, themselves are extremely high.

Reeves blamed some of Booker's problems on injuries, but when he was beaten last week for 68-yard touchdown by McNabb's backup. Pederson or Jacksonville's Alvis Whitted, it Tolliver could be headed to convinced Reeves to turn else-

> Another recent first-rounder, wide receiver Marcus Nash, was released after reaching an injury settlement with Baltimore. He broke his jaw early in training camp. Nash was Denver's firstround pick in 1998.

Tampa Bay hoped Jason Odom would be its starting left tackle, but he will miss the season after being placed on injured reserve with a back problem.

Carolina's Johnson, who in 10 NFL seasons had 2,854 yards rushing, 1,120 of them in 1996, when he filled in for the injured Tshimanga Biakubutuka and helped lead the second-year Panthers to the NFC

"That was probably particularly painful," coach George Seifert said, "because he's meant an awful

### Little League faces expansion challenges

For the first time, Little League kids." World Series officials allowed members of all eight teams to take week. While officials dealt with their uniforms home.

The reason: the old uniforms are kids stole the show. no longer necessary.

great sportsmanlike manner," said uniforms) home as a souvenir of the U.S. Pool final. their wonderful week here."

If only all of the challenges fac-If only all of the challenges tacing Little League could be dealt with as easily with as easily with as easily.

changed immeasurably, holler and cry when the final out very easily."

institution will preserve its history the International Pool final, who and protect its relevance while celebrated by hugging every playcontinuing to stave off encroach- er on the field — including ment of big business and further Tokyo's. corporate sponsorship.

Bigger is not always better.

"That's a fair concern," Keener Kids haven't changed. The world around them has changed, but because not many kids have an kids are still the same.

"And we need to always keep grand stage.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP) — that in mind and treat them like

That proved to be the case last controversy on two fronts, the

There was the team from Next year, a new set of colors Vancouver, Wash., which drew its and team names will be required inspiration from Tyler "TJ" Jacobs, as the Series expands to 16 teams. a 6-year-old recovering from brain "We told the teams they have surgery. Vancouver also earned conducted themselves in such a praise for not laying down in its preliminary round finale, some-Little League Baseball president thing that — because of the Series' and CEO Stephen Keener. "We complex tiebreaking formula — thought, who better to take (the would have clinched it a berth in

> Then there were the Little Leaguers from Maracaibo, title, beating Bellaire, Texas, 3-2 on Saturday

"This is a team that has a bunch Williamsport maintains a sense of of fighters," Maracaibo manager innocence, a place where hot dogs Eduvino Quevedo said. "They're still cost 75 cents, a soda goes for all from a very poor neighborhood in quarter, and kids still whoop and Maracaibo and they don't give up

It was Quevedo, following The test now is how the 54-year Maracaibo's 5-4 win over Tokyo in

Ruben Mavarez, who pitched a four-hitter and struck out Hunter Johnson from Bellaire, a Houston said. "I think it's incumbent upon suburb, for the final out with runus to keep the proper perspective. ners at the corners, called it a big step in his baseball career opportunity to pitch on such a

### McLean seniors



Six McLean seniors are getting ready for the first football game of the season Sept. 8 at Miami. They are (from left) Randy Floyd, Ricky Smith, Gabe Vega, Brad Sawyer, Nate Roberts and Terrell Hembree.

### Lazier wins race; builds points lead in Indy Racing

SPARTA, Ky. (AP) — Buddy Belterra Resort Indy 300. However, he had no clue how tough it would be to hold it.

Problem pit stops and a faulty gearbox easily could have cost him the race and a commanding lead in the Indy Racing League series championship standings.

Instead, he was able to overcome those obstacles and several hard-charging drivers to take the checkered flag at the new Kentucky Speedway.

'Sometimes it's just your day," said Lazier, 32, who picked up the fourth win of his IRL career and became the first multiple winner in eight races this season.

"We marched our way to the front early, and then I had to fight the rest of the day to get back to the front of the field," he said after winning by 1.879 seconds — about 15 car-lengths Goodyear. Rookie sensation Sarah Fisher led nine laps and

finished a career-best third. Lazier, who started seventh in the 27-car field, came in with a Cheever. Now, Lazier has a 38point edge over new runner-up Goodyear in the battle for the Northern Light Cup championship with one race remain-

"By no means do we have this said. Lazier felt good about charging one wrapped up, but we do into the lead of the inaugural have an advantage," said up to eighth by the next round Lazier, who won \$126,300 while averaging 164.601 mph.

> Lazier took the lead for good in his Hemelgarn Racing Dallara-Oldsmobile 31 laps from the end of the 200-lap race, moving to the front when Fisher made her final pit stop.

He then held off Goodyear while negotiating heavy traffic on the 1.5-mile oval. The key Lazier was able to lap sixth- thing you can do is rebound." place Jeff Ward and put some distance between himself and Goodyear.

"I owe a big thanks to Jeff Ward," Lazier said. "At a critical time, he let me by him. He can be really hard to pass and that made a big difference."

If not for a little luck, Lazier - the 1996 Indianapolis 500 champion — might not have been in position to win at all.

Lazier took the lead for the over pole-sitter Scott first time on lap 41 with a it would jump out of gear, and strong outside pass of rookie it was happening in the corners, Sam Hornish Jr. But, during a which is the worst possible during a caution period, Lazier able to get it back in and still failed to get a full fuel load on keep the momentum going. It 23-point lead over Eddie his first stop and had to come in could have broken at any time." a second time, falling to 16th.

"I might have been too far thrilled with her first podium field goal. away from the wall, so there finish and the first lead of her was a problem when they young IRL career. stretched out the fuel line to "I got goose bumps," she after leading 7-3 at intermission. hook it up to the car," Lazier said. "It was awesome. But I Ricky Williams led Texas Tech Saturday.

of pit stops, but wound up falling far behind again when of the leaders.

we didn't get the call that the moved from sixth to second. pits were open and Buddy was

As if those miscues weren't area for repairs. enough to give most drivers gearbox late in the race and thigh. nearly didn't finish.

pened," Lazier, 32, said. "I Hornish, whose team held him was Buddy's day. He deserved crossed the finish line and I lit- out of the morning warmup to win." erally broke the gearbox. It was my fault. I really abused it geting and upshifting.

"I had to lift off in traffic and series of pit stops by the leaders place. I got lucky because I was Fisher, 19, said she was

had to keep calm because it because they had only one Lazier worked himself back wasn't the end of the race."

— and the only crash of the day with Jaques Lazier, Buddy's came on the third lap as younger brother. his team failed to notify him Eliseo Salazar, who jumped past soon enough to pit with the rest. Goodyear into the lead at the fell to third in the standings and green flag, slammed together now trails Lazier by 41 points "When the yellow came out, with Jeret Schroeder, who had with only the season finale Oct.

As those two hit the wall, Al remaining. already at the pit entrance, so Unser Ir.'s car crashed hard tryhe had to go all the way around ing to avoid Schroeder's car again," team owner Ron and Scott Sharp ran over debris moment came on lap 194, when Hemelgarn said. "But the only and wound up spending a long championship by finishing 13th period of time in the garage

The only injury reported was

engine available, got into a The first of four caution flags side-by-side battle for the lead Cheever, who finished fourth,

15 at Texas Motor Speedway

Each race in the IRL has a maximum of 55 points and Lazier can wrap up his first or better at the Fort Worth track.

"It's been a slugfest with fits, Lazier lost control of his a contusion to Unser's right Buddy for most of the season, but now I'd say he has a pretty A crowd announced at 61,214 firm lock on the champi-"I swear this has never hap- had its biggest thrill when onship," Cheever said. "Today

### my fault. I really abused it getting through traffic, downshift- Red Raiders win opener

opened the football season ries. Through the air, Kingsbury 24-3 in Jones Stadium.

Kliff Kingsbury tossed two ception. touchdown passes while Aaron Hunt returned a fumble 63 yards for the Texas Tech touchdowns. Chris Birkholz added a 33-yard

The Red Raiders broke the game open in the second half

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech rushers with 78 yards on 15 car-Saturday, defeating New Mexico, completed 21 of 47 pass attempts for 186 yards. He threw one inter-

> Williams caught a 6-yard TD pass and Derek Dorris snared an 8-yard TD aerial.

Texas Tech had 335 yards of total offense while the visitors had 75. Each team had 13 first downs

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Toronto (Carpenter 9-10) at Anaheim (Karl 0-0), 10:05 p.m.

**BASKETBALL** 

### White Sox edge Mariners

By ADAM NAZIMOWITZ **Associated Press Writer** 

The White Sox and Mariners pitched like division leaders, even though Seattle isn't playing

Ray Durham's tiebreaking homer in the eighth off Freddy Garcia sent AL West-leading Seattle to its 12th loss in 14 games, 2-1 against Chicago on Sunday.

Chicago, which leads the AL Central by eight games, held Seattle to four hits for the second time in the three-game series.

Sean Lowe came out of the bullpen for Chicago in place of James Baldwin, whose start was moved back to Tuesday because of a tired arm. Lowe gave up one run, four hits and two walks in five innings.

Manager Jerry Manuel said more starts might be assigned to the right-hander.

"He really pitched well," Manuel said.

"If they want me to start again, fine," Lowe said. "If they want me to go back to the bullpen, I'll do that, too. It doesn't matter to me right now. I just want to win."

Rookie Lorenzo Barcelo (2-1) pitched three perfect innings of relief for the win. Keith Foulke pitched the ninth for his 24th

"We held Lorenzo back last night just for today," Manuel said. "Veteran hitters don't have a book on him yet and that makes it tough for them to figure him out right now."

In other AL games, it was New York 7, Oakland 5; Kansas City 11, Boston 7; Baltimore 3, Tampa Bay 2; Minnesota 7, Detroit 6, 10 innings; Anaheim 10, Cleveland 9; and Toronto 6, Texas 4.

"We faced pretty good pitch- Orioles 3, Devil Rays 2 ing," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said. "What you don't want the White Sox to do is get ahead of you and have to face a guy like Foulke. There's a reason the White Sox have won more games (77) than anybody in the league. It's usually pretty good pitching at the end of a ball-

The White Sox improved to 23-11 in one-run games, best in the majors. The Mariners dropped to a major league-worst 9-21 in one-run contests.

Yankees 7, Athletics 5

Pinch-hitter Bernie Williams drove in the go-ahead run in New York's three-run eighth off Jim Mecir (8-3) at Oakland. David Justice, who added an

RBI double in the ninth, walked to start the eighth and Jose Canseco singled. Tino Martinez lifted a routine fly ball to center, but Terrence Long lost the ball in the sun, dropping it to load the

With one out, Luis Sojo hit a slow bouncer to third, which Eric Chavez picked up and threw past first baseman Mike Stanley to tie it 5-5. One batter later, Williams grounded into a force play to score the go-ahead

Denny Neagle (4-4) allowed five runs on six hits and four walks in seven innings and struck out six.

Royals 11, Red Sox 7

Dave McCarty and Jermaine Dye each hit two-run homers and Dan Reichert won his fourth straight decision for host Kansas

Reichert (8-6) gave up three runs on six hits with five strikeouts and two walks in 5 2-3 innings.

Tim Wakefield (6-9) lost to the Garcia allowed two runs and Royals for the second time this six hits in eight innings for month and fell to 0-4 in his last eight starts.

Jay Spurgeon (1-0) allowed two runs in seven innings to win his first start in the majors, and Melvin Mora homered as Baltimore beat Tampa Bay at

It was the sixth win in eight games for the Orioles, who took

three of four from the last-place Mora hit a two-run homer in a

three-run fifth against Ryan Rupe (5-5). Twins 7, Tigers 6, 10 innings

Midre Cummings hit a gamewinning RBI single in the 10th and Ron Coomer had three RBIs at the Metrodome.

Todd Jones (0-3), after blowing a one-run lead in the ninth, issued a pair of one-out walks in the 10th. Matt Lawton hit an infield single to load the bases. Cummings' liner to left gave Minnesota its 30th come-frombehind victory.

Hector Carrasco (4-3) struck out two in a perfect 10th. Blue Jays 6, Rangers 4

Darrin Fletcher hit three homers and Steve Trachsel pitched six strong innings as visiting Toronto beat Texas

Trachsel (7-11) won for the first time since June 27, allowing three runs and six hits. He struck out four and walked two.

Jose Cruz Jr. and Shannon Stewart also homered, giving the Blue Jays a major league-leading ,214 for the season.

Angels 10, Indians 9

Tim Salmon hit a tiebreaking homer in the fifth and Anaheim held on to beat Cleveland. Salmon's 30th homer made

Anaheim the first AL team to have four players with at least that many. Salmon also had a two-run double in a five-run sixth.

Chuck Finley (10-10), making his first start in Anaheim as a visiting player, allowed season highs of 11 hits and eight runs in 5 1-3

### No. 15 USC defeats Penn State, 29-5

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Sultan McCullough didn't mind carrying the load. He knew he'd have plenty of time to rest on the long trip home.

McCullough ran 29 times for a career-high 128 yards as No. 15 Southern Cal beat No. 22 Penn State 29-5 Sunday in the Kickoff Classic.

The sophomore tailback car- And that's what happened." ried 18 times in the second half,

including seven rushes in the Sunday night, lightning and final drive as USC controlled the severe thunderstorms rolled ball for the final 9:10.

tion is knowing the whole team is BCA Classic between No. 11 counting on you, and you're Virginia Tech and Georgia Tech. counting on them to block," said McCullough, who also is a 2 Florida State, the defending sprinter on USC's track team. "I national champion, beat BYU 29they had my back, I had theirs. ed Iowa 27-7. In a non-ranked

through the Blacksburg, Va., area "You get tired, but the motiva- to force postponement of the

In games played Saturday, No. just wanted them to know that if 3; and No. 8 Kansas State defeatgame, Texas Tech topped New In the other game scheduled Mexico 24-3.



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### Woods is always worth watching

By JIM LITKE **AP Sports Writer** 

Here's why Tiger Woods is event against a guy he could beat in his sleep:

Woods has become the best show not just in sports, but all of TV. You can't take your eyes off him, even for a minute.

On Saturday, he's walking up the 18th with Phil Mickelson and like a good idea at the time. lapping the field. It's not a major. When ABC cut the deal last Bob May and his slingshot are spring, Woods was just coming playing another PGA Tour event off a streak of six straight wins halfway across the country. So and Garcia was still his most only golf junkies are supposed to attractive rival. Of course, back be watching the final minutes of then the young Spaniard still had the telecast from the NEC game and Woods still had rivals. Invitational, and Mickelson has just given them a jolt by wielding battle ends: Woods wins. He his 8-iron like a scythe to cut the always does. And maybe the just short of the 18th green.

Then Woods takes his turn.

What follows is something straight out of Carl the deranged greenskeeper's "Cinderella Boy" speech from "Caddyshack." Only this is on CBS — live.

pin ... pitching wedge (!) ... to 8

Woods misses the birdie putt. before. And still shoots 67.

do a clinic in the morning.

his private jet, steal a nap on the at the smaller ones, too. way to Palm Desert, Calif., and

play in yet another of those well- starting to deliver those paying exhibitions golf pros use moments in such a compressed to make ends meet.

always worth watching, even has a title, "Battle of Bighorn," The networks have stopped tak-Monday night, in a made-for-TV and it will pay considerably ing chances. more than most exhibitions. And instead of playing in a foursome with the usual corporate chieftains, Woods will be playing mano a mano with Sergio Garcia.

The best thing to be said about "Battle of Bighorn" is it sounded So we already know how the

ball out of the rough and land it only suspense is what kind of ratings "Bighorn" draws. But what else are you going to watch? "Big Brother" on CBS?

"Mysterious Ways" on NBC? "Nitro" on TNT? Padres at Cubs?

'Tiger's in really, really nasty the best they have to offer, anyrough ... he's got 184 yards to the way. What you give up in suspense and costuming, you get back in honest showmanship. After one of the most remark- And the chance to maybe see able shots anybody's ever seen, something no one's ever done Ali was like that, but TV was

Then Sunday comes, he plays a just getting started then. Jordan maybe sooner. few holes, eats a cheeseburger was like that, too. The Bulls during the rain delay, rifles his might be playing the Clippers in last shot through near-darkness February and there wasn't a to two feet, and shoots another motivational tool in sight. His 67. He wins, breaks another scorteam was resting comfortably ing record, makes another accep-tance speech. And the only dif-ings and Jordan might be far ference between this Sunday and enough ahead in the scoring race last — besides rain — is Woods to take a night off. But he never overnighting in Akron so he can did. He understood that to make the biggest shots at the biggest Then he is supposed to hop on moments, he had to make them Woods is like that. Only he's

time frame that anybody who Woods being Woods, this one blinks risks missing something.

Only four years ago, Woods was playing in the final group of yet another golf tournament going down on Sunday. That was the U.S. Amateur. He's raised his game several levels since, but the competition looks the same. The problem is that the guys with enough talent to chal-lenge Woods don't have the heart, and vice versa. No one is willing to outwork him.

En route to a 61 on Friday that sent shivers down the spine of everybody who has to play him, Woods walked off the 15th tee and into a clearing. He found a gap in the tree line and stood there transfixed, staring off in the distance at a TV tower with a cloth hanging off it like the tail of a kite. He was intent on gauging a breeze almost no one else felt. Only then did he step back on the tee and hit his drive.

Catch Woods instead and get & That's what his competition is up against. A friend who should have copyrighted the idea said the "Battle at Bighorn" would be more interesting if Woods played against a different pro at each hole. Someday soon. Or if Garcia proves as good at impersonating his fellow pros as Peter Jacobsen,

Regardless, PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem will be watching because he has plenty at stake. Finchem is about to open negotiations on a new TV contract. At the moment, he likes his position.

"If he does this six or eight times a year for the next five years, at some point do people get bored?" Finchem said. Maybe. That's not the case right

### Mature approach can lead to longer athletic life

HOUSTON — Older athletes generation. have been grabbing headlines

Cynthia Cooper led the titles. Tennis star Martina Navratilova returned to Wimbledon in her early 40s.

Dr. Joe Chorley, a sports medicine specialist at Baylor following: College of Medicine in Houston, said it's not surpristheir own against the younger replace glycogen stores after is worse than disuse.

"As opposed to the early '70s and '80s, elite athletes are better rior" mentality. Athletes should Although in her mid-30s, conditioned," Chorley said. "When they're not playing a Houston Comets to three sport, they're either cross trainstraight WNBA championships ing, strength training or doing and won three league scoring some type of aerobic activity."

Chorley said recreational athletes who want to compete and, in most cases, improve longer could learn from the their athletic performance. "old" pros. He recommends the

· Avoid the "weekend warpursue a daily fitness regimen, rather than squeezing a week's worth of exercise into two days.

 Do strength training. Ar active weight lifting routine will make athletes stronger

· Listen to the body. If ar injury occurs, allow the body to · Eat properly. Athletes heal. While resting the injured should pay attention to proper body part, cross train to maining to see older athletes holding nutrition and drink liquids to tain fitness. Remember, misuse

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DALLAS (AP) — A history-making drought in North Texas has all the signs of continuing for days — or even weeks — and the rain forecast elsewhere in the state isn't much better.

With no precipitation in the forecast Monday, the record of 58 consecutive days without rain in the region — first set in 1934 — was

A rainless Sunday tied the record, which had been repeated in 1950. "We will have the record all ourselves," said Lonnie King, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Fort Worth.

The National Weather Service forecast this week calls for continued temperatures at or exceeding the century mark along with dry skies. 'We could very well have 65 to 70 days without rain," Michael Mach, another NWS meteorologist in Fort Worth, said.

A 58-day drought interval first occurred in Texas May 25 to July 21, 1934 during the Dust Bowl years of the Great Depression. The dry spell happened again Nov. 4 to Dec. 31, 1950.

This year's streak started July 1, and more heat and sunshine are forecast for the region, said Joe Harris, an NWS meteorologist in Fort

Few areas of Texas have escaped the drought. In Central Texas, a steady drop in the Edwards Aquifer has threatened supplies in San Antonio and surrounding cities that rely upon the underground reservoir. In the Houston area, many livestock ponds and small lakes

Gore and Bush speak on the issues

WASHINGTON (AP) — During the presidential primaries, The Associated Press picked an issue three times a week and asked candidates a question about it. Here are some of the answers of Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore on subjects as diverse as education, Internet taxes, offshore drilling and race rela-

ABORTION: What changes, if any, should be made to abortion

Bush: "I support the goal of a Human Life Amendment with exceptions for rape, incest and to save the life of the mother. Recognizing there is currently insufficient support for that amendment in Congress and the states, I will provide leadership to take positive, practical steps to reduce the number of abortions: ending partialbirth abortion, helping women in crisis through maternity group homes, encouraging adoption, promoting abstinence education and passing laws requiring parental notification and waiting periods."

Gore: "A woman's right to choose is fundamental. That decision should be made by the woman, in consultation with those she trusts. Abortion must remain legal and safe — and increasingly rare. I support the Freedom of Choice Act, which would codify the Roe vs. Wade decision into federal law so that states could not limit or chip away rights provided by the decision."

CAMPAIGN FINANCE: Should soft money be banned?

Bush: "I support campaign finance reform that bans soft money contributions from corporations and labor unions, so long as that legislation prohibits labor unions from taking money from mandatory workers' dues and spending it on politics without workers' permis-

Gore: "Yes. As president, I will fight to secure legislation banning soft money contributions as part of a comprehensive plan to clean up campaign finance."

DEATH PENALTY: Should the death penalty for federal crimes be expanded? If so, how?

penalty, and I do not believe that needs to be expanded."

North Texas, Texas Woman's expect enrollment gains FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — At least two Texas universities expected enrollment increases as classes started on Monday.

and expansion of it where appropriate."

Administrators at The University of North Texas could enroll a record number of students and nearby Texas Woman's University expects to post its first enrollment gains in five years.
"We're prepared," Bonita Jacobs, UNT vice president for student

enrollment, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in Monday's editions. With 27,000 to 28,000 students, UNT faces a possible record. Enrollment at the Denton university peaked at 27,160 in fall 1990. In the past school year, about 26,500 students were enrolled at UNT.

At Texas Woman's in Denton, officials said they expect an increase from last school year's 8,624 students. During the 1994-1995 school year, enrollment peaked at 10,090 but has steadily declined, enroll-

Factors in the possible increases include Texas growth, a strong economy and recruiting efforts that include \$1,000 incentive scholarships for some first-time UNT graduate students.

A common application created last year by Texas public colleges and universities could have also helped enrollment, officials said. The form enables students to submit the same applications to several schools through the Internet, officials said.

At North Texas, a record number of freshmen are expected.

Jury to begin deliberations in Laredo federal trial LAREDO, Texas (AP) — Closing arguments were expected to begin

Monday in a federal trial of two investigators, a bail bondsman and relatives of Webb and Zapata counties' top prosecutor who are accused of conspiring to fix dozens of criminal cases for bribes. U.S. District Judge George Kazen met with lawyers Friday to deter-

mine what charges from the 21-count indictment to give to the jury once both sides complete their cases. Defendants in the five-week corruption trial are Jose M. Rubio Sr.,

his son Carlos Rubio, bail bondsman Jesse Castaneda, district attorney Chief Assistant Criminal Investigator Alfonso Rodriguez and Criminal Investigator Agustin Mendoza Jr. Rubio Sr. is father of Joe Rubio, the district attorney for Webb and

Zapata counties since 1988, and Carlos is his brother. Rubio, who was re-elected to a fourth term in April, hasn't been accused of any wrongdoing and has maintained he was unaware of any alleged scheme. He said the men are innocent.

The five are accused of soliciting \$200,000 in bribes for pledges to drop or reduce charges in 40 drug, weapon and drunken driving cases between 1992 and 1998. Prosecutors said the cases involved were reduced to lesser charges.

**Elsewhere** 

IMPRISONMENT RATE: Texas put people in prison at a faster rate than any other state during the last decade, but its crime rate is higher than other large states with smaller prison populations, according to a study being released Monday. The report by Justice Policy Institute, which supports alternatives to prison, showed that the Texas prison population's annual growth rate was 11.8 percent during the 1990s, which meant it added one in every five inmates to the nation's prisons. Meanwhile, the state's crime rate fell at half the national average and the least of any of the nation's five largest states. A Texas prison official said the last decade's growth was a response to a prison revolving door during overcrowded conditions, and the state's incarceration rate slowed in the latter part of the decade. ... BUDGET GOOF: Facing a property tax hike and possible job cuts, this town is about to pay for the school district's \$4 million account-

Bush: "More than 60 federal crimes are already subject to the death penalty, and I do not believe that needs to be expanded."

Gore: "As president I would continue to support the death penalty and expansion of it where appropriate."

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money is missing; the building project funds were mistakenly creditations caught the error, and the system kept spending hundreds of thousands of dollars it didn't have. ... WILDFIRES: Forest and brush fires ravaged parts of north and east Texas over the weekend, as at least 25 people had to be evacuated from their homes south of Dallas and consumed another 300 acres south of Fort Worth. Meanwhile, firefighters contained most of an 1,800-acre fire near Nacogdoches that had been raging for a week. Forest service officials say they are worried that the Labor Day weekend will create numerous fire hazards. ... TIRE DEATHS: A Texas judge has ordered Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. CEO Masatoshi Ono to appear for a deposition in the case of a South Texas couple who died when the tread allegedly came off of their Firestone tires. A lawyer for relatives of Patricio and Nidia Leal, who died in the accident last May, said he. wants Ono to explain when the Tokyo-based company knew that there were problems with the Firestone tires that are being recalled.



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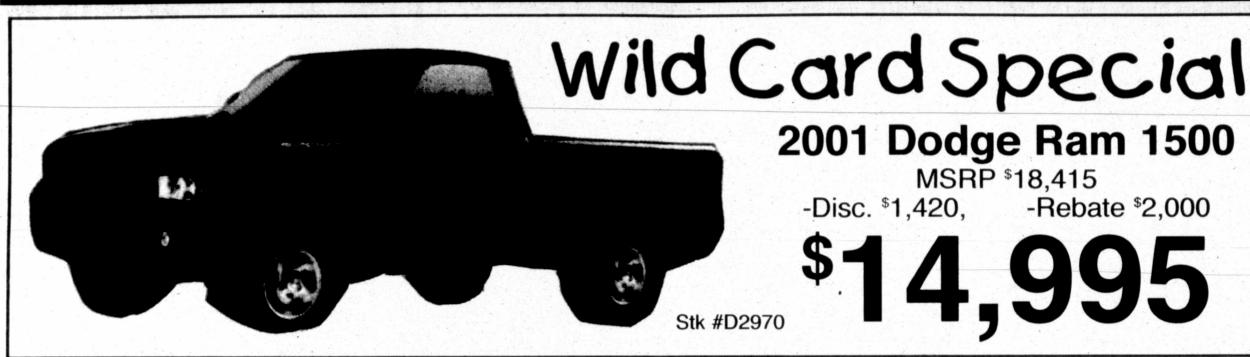
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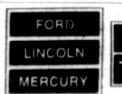
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