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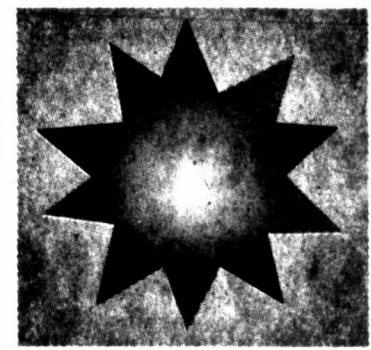
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Lotto jackpot keeps growing

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 18-21-30-35-46-52.
Estimated jackpot: \$23 million.
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 million.

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. James 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 division.
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 perimeter fences that were topped with barbed wire.
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

By 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 show.

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 meet 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 less; and
- an attendance rate of at least 94 percent.

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"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 ranking.

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 (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 Coronado Center Saturday didn't let the hot weather deter them from checking out the variety of vehicles on display at the annual Coronado Center Merchant's Association Car Show.

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

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

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-

through-third place are:

Classic — Dan Estes, White Deer, a 1937 Ford; Terry and Donetta Conn, Pampa, a 1964 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 real street work in the fiscal year 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 coating," 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 something 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 damage."

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 prison.

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 bond.



Approximately 300 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 ol' Western Swing music.

(Pampa News photos by Dee Dee Laramore)



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Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON
Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-3988.

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 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

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

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR
Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a pre-school 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 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, call 669-1155.

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 and \$2 for children under 13. For more information, call (806) 455-1492.

CAPROCK CANYONS
Caprock Canyons State Park and Caprock 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 (806) 455-1492.

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
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, 2-mile 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 displays.

COUNTRY DOCTOR AWARD
Staff Care, Inc., is seeking nominations for the 2000 Country Doctor of the Year Award. Nominees will be judged on the following criteria: Scope of care; continuity of care (nominees must have served their communities for a minimum of five years); rural location (communities of 25,000 or less); and dedication. For nomination forms or for more information, call 1-800-685-2272.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER
The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: 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 self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its 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, 79105.

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

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, www.aise.com.

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

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

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
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
Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

AL-ANON
Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays 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 noon. 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 session.

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



(Special photo)

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, 2350' from North & 467' from East line, Sec. 2,A-6,H&GN, PD 12500'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Questar E&P Co., #3 Britt Ranch 'E', 1500' from South & 2310' from West line, Sec. 8,2,B&B, PD 12500'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Questar E&P Co., #4-35 Britt Ranch 'C', 2000' from North & 1820' from West line, Sec. 35,A-3,H&GN, PD 12500'.
Applications to Plug-Back
HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) EnerVest Operating, L.L.C., #2046 Yeager 'A', 2390' from North & 1000' from West line, Sec. 46,1,I&GN, PD 11100'.
Oil Well Completions
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #138 Herring 'A', E. Almaguie Survey, spud 5-31-00, drlg. compl 6-4-00, tested 8-8-00, pumped 25.9 bbl. of 39 grav. oil + 187 bbls. water, GOR 5444, TD 3427', PBDT 3377' —

Gas Well Completions
HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #401 Oca Milom, Sec. 1,1,I&GN, spud 4-19-00, drlg. compl 5-3-00, tested 6-16-00, TD 8200', PBDT 8029' —
HEMPHILL (N.E. RAMP Granite Wash) Upland Resources, Inc., #1 Sanders '43', Sec. 43,41,H&TC, spud 1-9-00, drlg. compl 7-22-00, tested 8-3-00, potential 2200 MCF, TD 13600', PBDT 13030' — Form 1 filed in Devon Energy Corp.
HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Luxor Oil & Gas, Inc., #5 Dunaway, Sec. 5,Y-2,TTRR, spud 3-21-00, drlg. compl 3-26-00, tested 8-1-00, TD 2656', PBDT 2606' —
Plugged Wells
CARSON (PANHANDLE) Alibates Operators, Gina, Sec. 19,4,I&GN (oil) — Form 1 in Ener-G's for the following wells:
#2, 1650' from South & 990' from East Lease line, spud 10-20-83, plugged 7-24-00, TD 3409' —
#3, 2310' from South & 990' from East Lease line, spud 8-24-

83, plugged 7-20-00, TD 3500' —
#4, 1650' from South & 330' from East Lease line, spud 10-9-83, plugged 7-25-00, TD 3401' —
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Trans Terra Corp., Williams, Sec. 149,B-2,H&GN (oil) — for the following wells:
#2, 330' from North & East Lease line, spud 10-14-92, plugged 7-27-00, TD 3348' —
#3, 330' from North & 1243' from East Lease line, spud 9-2-92, plugged 7-27-00, TD 3346' —
WHEELER (EAST PANHANDLE) Throckmorton Operating, #1 Tinsley, 330' from South & 800' from West Lease line, Sec. 79,17,H&GN, spud unknown, plugged 7-31-00, TD 1900' (gas) Form 1 in Wheeler Oil Co.
WHEELER (EAST PANHANDLE) Throckmorton Operating, #1 Veerner, 330' from North & East Lease line, Sec. 82,17,H&GN, spud 2-28-81, plugged 7-25-00, TD 2250' (gas) — Form 1 in Crescent Energy

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Entries due by
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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 low-fat, 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, 100 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 popular 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 daily 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 serving)
- 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 daily food and physical activity diary to monitor your progress.

To learn more about using the Food Guide Pyramid and portion sizes, see the USDA website: <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-borne 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 e-mail to: cnrc@bcm.tmc.edu. Questions of general interest will be answered in this column.

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 Type 2 diabetes.

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 diabetes 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 exercise.

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 birth.
- 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.

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>.

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Drug, gene therapy show promising cancer result

WASHINGTON (AP) — A combination of gene therapy and drugs is showing promise in treating head and neck cancers, researchers in Texas report.

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.

Scientists at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Clinic in Houston report that the combination therapy caused tumors 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 1/2 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 by the Houston clinic's Fadlo Khuri used a specially engi-

neered virus called ONYX-015, which destroys cells with a mutated tumor suppressor gene called p53. That mutated gene occurs in up to 70 percent of head and neck tumors, the scientists noted. ONYX-015 does not damage normal cells.

Along with the gene therapy, the team added the traditional chemotherapy drugs, cisplatin and 5-fluorouracil, in patients with recurrent squamous cell cancer of the head and neck. These cancers are often associated with the use of tobacco and alcohol.

They reported that ONYX-015

in combination with chemotherapy is more effective than either treatment alone.

Current chemotherapy produces results in only 30 percent to 40 percent of patients, and tumors often recur. By comparison, none of the responding tumors treated with the combination therapy had reappeared after six months.

In the trial, the ONYX-015 was injected directly into the tumors. The scientists suggested that future trials look into other methods of administration and the possibility of using

the gene therapy in combination with other methods of treatment, including radiation and surgery.

Besides Khuri, scientists participating in the research represented U.S. Oncology, Dallas; the University of Glasgow, Scotland; Royal Marsden Hospital and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, both in London; Western General Hospital, Edinburgh, Scotland; Princess Margaret Hospital, Toronto; and ONYX Pharmaceutical, Richmond, Calif.

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 already, but you can't see it clinically," he said.

The study was conducted by

scientists at the University of California at Los Angeles and was 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 recalled words memorized from a list.

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 near the temple and forehead, the researchers say.

Earlier research had implicated those areas in Alzheimer's.

In recent years, researchers have pinpointed metabolic brain

deficiencies and other early markers that may foretell 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 UCLF psychiatrist Dr. Gary Small, who led the research.

In its early results, his team 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 Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Scientists cautioned that patients must be studied for longer to be sure the test is picking up on early Alzheimer's, not just the normal effects of aging.



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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 nationwide.

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 misleading.

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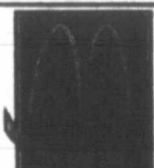
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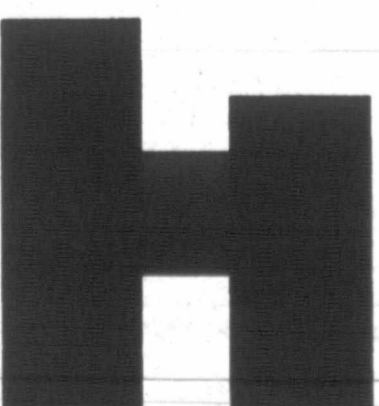
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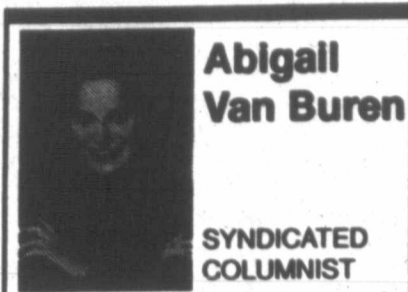
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Planning Ahead Helps Families Achieve a Peaceful End to Life

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 begin.

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 with the patient at all times or 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



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

succession of body-wrenching shocks would have been given, IV lines, drugs, etc.

When my stepfather lost his battle with lung cancer, my mother had worked everything out in advance with the hospice facility. 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 with a very traumatic situation.

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 make sure they know the right things to do.

CARING FIREFIGHTER IN TEXAS

DEAR FIREFIGHTER: You have taken care of that — and graphically, I might add. **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 with family members and doctors, 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 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 mind?

COLORADO LADY IN WAITING

DEAR COLORADO LADY: I 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.

If, three months after he moves, you see no change in attitude and he's still nervous at the mention of marriage, start looking for a man who is not afraid of commitment.

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 overload. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

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 child or loved one. Don't just recognize an opportunity — jump on it. Tonight: Work as late as necessary.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

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 commitment. Lighten up. A boss backs you 100 percent. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

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: Do some thinking.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Keep your goal in mind during discussions. Others could easily overwhelm you with ideas, feelings and actions. Your best way to stay clear is to sort through different possibilities with a friend whose thinking you admire. Finances play a major role. Tonight: What you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Make a professional decision.

You have been hanging in the same space, questioning. Timing works for new beginnings. Partners and friends provide many points of view. Ultimately, you have to live with your work — no one else does. Tonight: Work late.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

An opportunity to learn more and grow presents itself. Don't say no. Jump on it. Confusion surrounds work as, suddenly, 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: Surf the Net.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Sometimes you need to verify information, even if it comes from a trusted source. You easily could be overwhelmed by present choices. Laughter goes a long way to ease the way for a child or loved one. Deal with a changeable friend. Tonight: Share with a loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

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

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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

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: Accept an invitation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

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: Play the night away.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You have so many ideas and present them so quickly that others are often overwhelmed. Learn to communicate more effectively, and don't distance yourself from others. If you keep at it, understanding becomes mutual. Brainstorm with family. Tonight: Happy at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You must not become discouraged when facing a challenge. Keep

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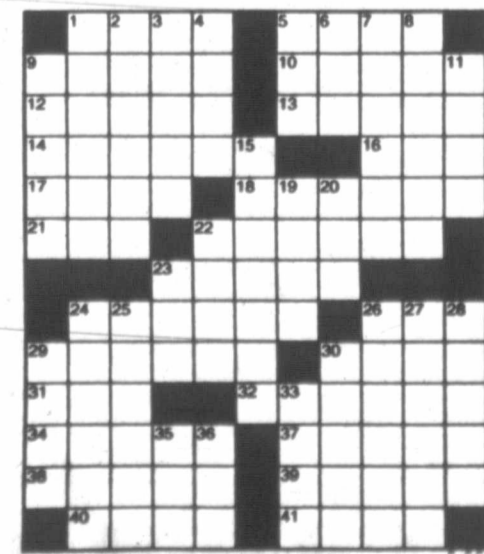
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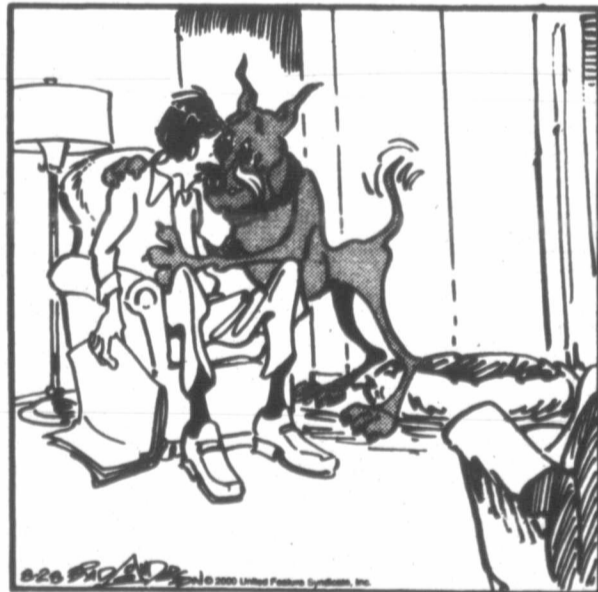
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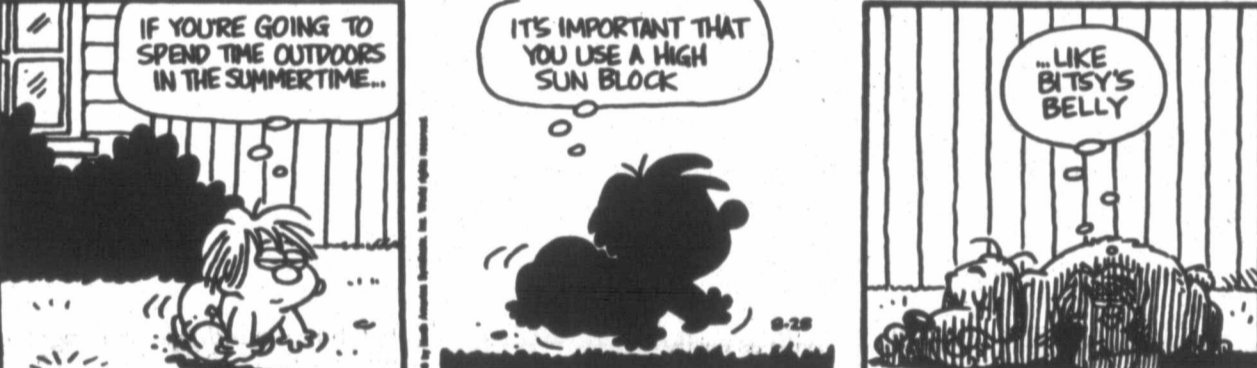
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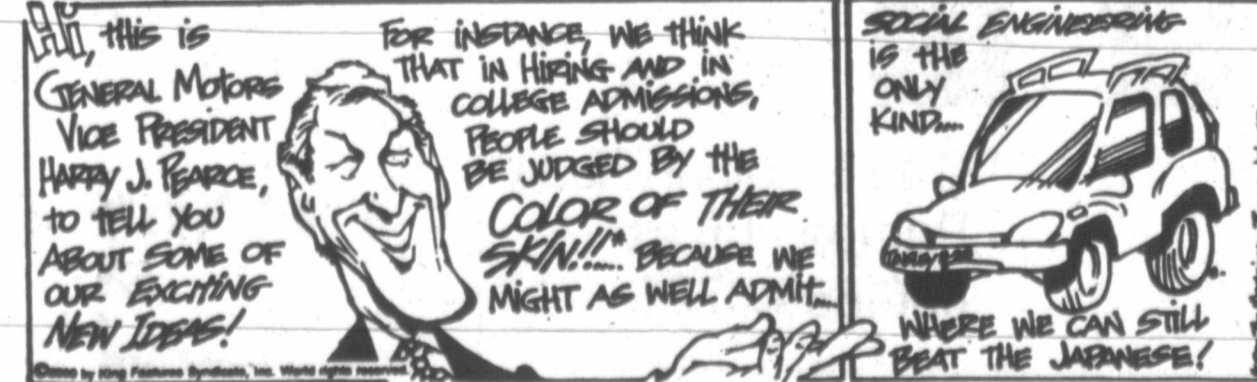
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FOOTBALL

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 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, 2001.

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 judicial 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 campaign 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 Tolliver and Orlando Brown didn't make their team's roster Sunday, Dishman wasn't unemployed for long.

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), placekicker Todd Peterson (Seahawks), safety Omar Stoutmire (Jets), center Mike Devlin (Cardinals), tight end Ryan Wetnight (Bears), cornerback Michael Booker (Falcons), guard Brian DeMarco (Bengals), safety Leomond Evans (Lions), running back Raymont Harris (Patriots), placekicker Joe Nedney (Raiders), linebacker Gabe 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. Santiago, a key player on their NFC championship team two years ago, to Dallas for two draft picks.

"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 sparked 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-

cap reasons last spring.

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. "They're young guys that you hate to let go. We think they're going to be pretty good players in the future."

Chiefs coach Gunter Cunningham feels the same way about Warfield.

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

Brown has been unable to play since being hit in the right eye by the referee's flag, and his career is in jeopardy. Brown cannot practice or play for the first six weeks of the season. After that time, Brown could remain on the PUP list or be placed on the non-football injured reserve list.

Brown is considering filing a lawsuit against the NFL and has retained lawyer Johnny Cochran.

Eight-year veteran Pederson, who began last season as Philadelphia's starting quarterback, was released by the Eagles, leaving Koy Detmer as Donovan McNabb's backup. Pederson or Tolliver could be headed to Cleveland, where Tim Couch needs a veteran backup after a season-ending injury to his sub, Koy 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.

"I don't think it was so much about him (playing poorly) as the promise of younger players," coach Bill Belichick said, referring to Kevin Faulk and J.R. Redmond, their only remaining runners. "It ends abruptly for a lot of these players."

Including Booker. He was Dan Reeves' first-ever draft pick (11th overall) as Falcons coach and general manager in 1997.

"Definitely, anybody is tough (to release) when you draft them," Reeves said. "When you get a high draft choice your expectations of them and their expectations of

themselves are extremely high."

Reeves blamed some of Booker's problems on injuries, but when he was beaten last week for a 68-yard touchdown by Jacksonville's Alvis Whitted, it convinced Reeves to turn elsewhere.

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 first-round 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 Biakabutuka and helped lead the second-year Panthers to the NFC title game.

"That was probably particularly painful," coach George Seifert said, "because he's meant an awful lot to the club over the years."

Little League faces expansion challenges

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP) — For the first time, Little League World Series officials allowed members of all eight teams to take their uniforms home.

The reason: the old uniforms are no longer necessary.

Next year, a new set of colors and team names will be required as the Series expands to 16 teams.

"We told the teams they have conducted themselves in such a great sportsmanlike manner," said Little League Baseball president and CEO Stephen Keener. "We thought, who better to take (the uniforms) home as a souvenir of their wonderful week here?"

If only all of the challenges facing Little League could be dealt with as easily.

While the world around it has changed immeasurably, Williamsport maintains a sense of innocence, a place where hot dogs still cost 75 cents, a soda goes for a quarter, and kids still whoop and holler and cry when the final out is made.

The test now is how the 54-year institution will preserve its history and protect its relevance while continuing to stave off encroachment of big business and further corporate sponsorship.

Bigger is not always better.

"That's a fair concern," Keener said. "I think it's incumbent upon us to keep the proper perspective. Kids haven't changed. The world around them has changed, but kids are still the same."

"And we need to always keep

that in mind and treat them like kids."

That proved to be the case last week. While officials dealt with controversy on two fronts, the kids stole the show.

There was the team from Vancouver, Wash., which drew its inspiration from Tyler "TJ" Jacobs, a 6-year-old recovering from brain surgery. Vancouver also earned praise for not laying down in its preliminary round finale, something that — because of the Series' complex tiebreaking formula — would have clinched it a berth in the U.S. Pool final.

Then there were the Little Leaguers from Maracaibo, Venezuela, who arrived with one bat but wound up winning the title, beating Bellaire, Texas, 3-2 on Saturday.

"This is a team that has a bunch of fighters," Maracaibo manager Eduvino Quevedo said. "They're from a very poor neighborhood in Maracaibo and they don't give up very easily."

It was Quevedo, following Maracaibo's 5-4 win over Tokyo in the International Pool final, who celebrated by hugging every player on the field — including Tokyo's.

Ruben Mavarez, who pitched a four-hitter and struck out Hunter Johnson from Bellaire, a Houston suburb, for the final out with runners at the corners, called it a big step in his baseball career because not many kids have an opportunity to pitch on such a grand stage.

McLean seniors



(Pampa News photo)

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 Lazier felt good about charging into the lead of the inaugural 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 — over pole-sitter Scott 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 23-point lead over Eddie Cheever. Now, Lazier has a 38-point edge over new runner-up Goodyear in the battle for the Northern Light Cup championship with one race remaining.

"By no means do we have this one wrapped up, but we do have an advantage," said 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 moment came on lap 194, when Lazier was able to lap sixth-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 first time on lap 41 with a strong outside pass of rookie Sam Hornish Jr. But, during a series of pit stops by the leaders during a caution period, Lazier failed to get a full fuel load on his first stop and had to come in a second time, falling to 16th.

"I might have been too far away from the wall, so there was a problem when they stretched out the fuel line to hook it up to the car," Lazier

said.

Lazier worked himself back up to eighth by the next round of pit stops, but wound up falling far behind again when his team failed to notify him soon enough to pit with the rest of the leaders.

"When the yellow came out, we didn't get the call that the pits were open and Buddy was already at the pit entrance, so he had to go all the way around again," team owner Ron Hemelgarn said. "But the only thing you can do is rebound."

As if those miscues weren't enough to give most drivers fits, Lazier lost control of his gearbox late in the race and nearly didn't finish.

"I swear this has never happened," Lazier, 32, said. "I crossed the finish line and I literally broke the gearbox. It was my fault. I really abused it getting through traffic, downshifting and upshifting."

"I had to lift off in traffic and it would jump out of gear, and it was happening in the corners, which is the worst possible place. I got lucky because I was able to get it back in and still keep the momentum going. It could have broken at any time."

Fisher, 19, said she was thrilled with her first podium finish and the first lead of her young IRL career.

"I got goose bumps," she said. "It was awesome. But I

had to keep calm because it wasn't the end of the race."

The first of four caution flags — and the only crash of the day — came on the third lap as Eliseo Salazar, who jumped past Goodyear into the lead at the green flag, slammed together with Jeret Schroeder, who had moved from sixth to second.

As those two hit the wall, Al Unser Jr.'s car crashed hard trying to avoid Schroeder's car and Scott Sharp ran over debris and wound up spending a long period of time in the garage area for repairs.

The only injury reported was a contusion to Unser's right thigh.

A crowd announced at 61,214 had its biggest thrill when Hornish, whose team held him out of the morning warmup

because they had only one engine available, got into a side-by-side battle for the lead with Jacques Lazier, Buddy's younger brother.

Cheever, who finished fourth, fell to third in the standings and now trails Lazier by 41 points with only the season finale Oct. 15 at Texas Motor Speedway remaining.

Each race in the IRL has a maximum of 55 points and Lazier can wrap up his first championship by finishing 13th or better at the Fort Worth track.

"It's been a slugfest with Buddy for most of the season, but now I'd say he has a pretty firm lock on the championship," Cheever said. "Today was Buddy's day. He deserved to win."

Red Raiders win opener

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech opened the football season Saturday, defeating New Mexico, 24-3 in Jones Stadium.

Kliff Kingsbury tossed two touchdown passes while Aaron Hunt returned a fumble 63 yards for the Texas Tech touchdowns.

Chris Birkholz added a 33-yard field goal.

The Red Raiders broke the game open in the second half after leading 7-3 at intermission. Ricky Williams led Texas Tech

rushers with 78 yards on 15 carries. Through the air, Kingsbury completed 21 of 47 pass attempts for 186 yards. He threw one interception.

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.

Texas Tech hosts Utah State on Saturday.

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BASEBALL

National League At A Glance

By The Associated Press	All Times EDT	East Division	West Division	
Atlanta	78	52	.600	
New York	77	53	.592	1
Florida	63	66	.488	14 1/2
Philadelphia	55	74	.426	22 1/2
Montreal	54	73	.425	22 1/2

Central Division

By The Associated Press	All Times EDT	East Division	West Division	
St. Louis	73	57	.562	
Cincinnati	64	65	.496	8 1/2
Chicago	56	73	.434	18 1/2
Milwaukee	56	73	.434	18 1/2
Houston	54	76	.415	19
Pittsburgh	52	76	.406	20

West Division

By The Associated Press	All Times EDT	East Division	West Division	
San Francisco	73	55	.570	
Arizona	71	58	.550	2 1/2
Los Angeles	68	62	.523	6
Colorado	66	64	.508	8
San Diego	63	67	.485	11

BASEBALL

American League At A Glance

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East Division

By The Associated Press	All Times EDT	East Division	West Division	
New York	72	55	.567	
Boston	68	59	.535	4
Toronto	68	62	.523	5 1/2
Baltimore	59	71	.454	14 1/2
Tampa Bay	56	73	.434	17

Central Division

By The Associated Press	All Times EDT	East Division	West Division	
Chicago	77	53	.592	
Cleveland	67	59	.532	8
Detroit	64	65	.496	12 1/2
Kansas City	60	70	.462	17
Minnesota	59	72	.450	18 1/2

West Division

By The Associated Press	All Times EDT	East Division	West Division	
Seattle	71	59	.546	
Oakland	66	61	.527	2 1/2
Anaheim	67	63	.515	4
Texas	58	71	.450	12 1/2

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All Times EDT

FIRST ROUND (Best-of-3)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Cleveland 2, Orlando 1
Orlando 62, Cleveland 55
Cleveland 63, Orlando 54
Cleveland 72, Orlando 43

New York 2, Washington 0
New York 72, Washington 67
New York 78, Washington 57

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Los Angeles 2, Phoenix 0
Los Angeles 56, Phoenix 71
Los Angeles 101, Phoenix 76

Houston 2, Sacramento 0
Houston 72, Sacramento 64
Houston 75, Sacramento 70

CONFERENCE FINALS (Best-of-3)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

New York 2, Cleveland 1
Cleveland 56, New York 43
New York 51, Cleveland 45
New York 61, Cleveland 67

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Houston 2, Los Angeles 0
Houston 77, Los Angeles 56
Houston 74, Los Angeles 69

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES (Best-of-3)

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Houston 59, New York 52
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Houston 79, New York 73, OT, Houston wins series 2-0

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8-Bible Heritage, 7:30 away; 15-Samnorwood, 7:30 away; 22-Hedley, 7:30 home; 29-Silverton, 7:30 away.
Oct.
6-Palton Springs, 7:30 home; x-13-McLellan, 7:30 home; x-20-Miami, 7:30 home; x-27-Folett, 7:30 home.
Nov.
x-3-Higgins, 7:30 away; x-10-Fort Elliot, 8:30 home.

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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 like one.

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 save.

"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.

Garcia allowed two runs and six hits in eight innings for Seattle.

"We faced pretty good pitching," 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 ballgame."

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 bases.

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 run.

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 City.

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 Royals for the second time this month and fell to 0-4 in his last eight starts.

Orioles 3, Devil Rays 2

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 home.

It was the sixth win in eight games for the Orioles, who took three of four from the last-place Devil Rays.

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 game-winning 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-from-behind 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 innings.

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 carried 18 times in the second half,

including seven rushes in the final drive as USC controlled the ball for the final 9:10.

"You get tired, but the motivation is knowing the whole team is counting on you, and you're counting on them to block," said McCullough, who also is a sprinter on USC's track team. "I just wanted them to know that if they had my back, I had theirs. And that's what happened."

In the other game scheduled

Sunday night, lightning and severe thunderstorms rolled through the Blacksburg, Va., area to force postponement of the BCA Classic between No. 11 Virginia Tech and Georgia Tech.

In games played Saturday, No. 2 Florida State, the defending national champion, beat BYU 29-3; and No. 8 Kansas State defeated Iowa 27-7. In a non-ranked game, Texas Tech topped New Mexico 24-3.



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Woods is always worth watching

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

Here's why Tiger Woods is always worth watching, even Monday night, in a made-for-TV 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 lapping the field. It's not a major. Bob May and his slingshot are playing another PGA Tour event halfway across the country. So only golf junkies are supposed to be watching the final minutes of the telecast from the NEC Invitational, and Mickelson has just given them a jolt by yielding his 8-iron like a scythe to cut the ball out of the rough and land it 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.

"Tiger's in really, really nasty rough ... he's got 184 yards to the pin ... pitching wedge (!!) to 8 feet (!!!)." ...

After one of the most remarkable shots anybody's ever seen, Woods misses the birdie putt. And still shoots 67.

Then Sunday comes, he plays a few holes, eats a cheeseburger during the rain delay, rifles his last shot through near-darkness to two feet, and shoots another 67. He wins, breaks another scoring record, makes another acceptance speech. And the only difference between this Sunday and last — besides rain — is Woods overnighting in Akron so he can do a clinic in the morning.

Then he is supposed to hop on his private jet, steal a nap on the way to Palm Desert, Calif., and

play in yet another of those well-paying exhibitions golf pros use to make ends meet.

Woods being Woods, this one has a title, "Battle of Bighorn," and it will pay considerably more than most exhibitions. And instead of playing in a fountainsome 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 like a good idea at the time. When ABC cut the deal last spring, Woods was just coming off a streak of six straight wins and Garcia was still his most attractive rival. Of course, back then the young Spaniard still had game and Woods still had rivals.

So we already know how the battle ends: Woods wins. He always does. And maybe the 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?

Catch Woods instead and get the best they have to offer, anyway. What you give up in suspense and costuming, you get back in honest showmanship. And the chance to maybe see something no one's ever done before.

Ali was like that, but TV was just getting started then. Jordan was like that, too. The Bulls might be playing the Clippers in February and there wasn't a motivational tool in sight. His team was resting comfortably atop the regular-season standings and Jordan might be far enough ahead in the scoring race to take a night off. But he never did. He understood that to make the biggest shots at the biggest moments, he had to make them at the smaller ones, too.

Woods is like that. Only he's

starting to deliver those moments in such a compressed time frame that anybody who blinks risks missing something. The networks have stopped taking chances.

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 challenge 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.

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, maybe sooner.

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 now."

Mature approach can lead to longer athletic life

HOUSTON — Older athletes have been grabbing headlines lately.

Although in her mid-30s, Cynthia Cooper led the Houston Comets to three straight WNBA championships and won three league scoring titles. Tennis star Martina Navratilova returned to Wimbledon in her early 40s.

Dr. Joe Chorley, a sports medicine specialist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, said it's not surprising to see older athletes holding their own against the younger

generation.

"As opposed to the early '70s and '80s, elite athletes are better conditioned," Chorley said. "When they're not playing a sport, they're either cross training, strength training or doing some type of aerobic activity."

Chorley said recreational athletes who want to compete longer could learn from the "old" pros. He recommends the following:

- Eat properly. Athletes should pay attention to proper nutrition and drink liquids to replace glycogen stores after

exercise.

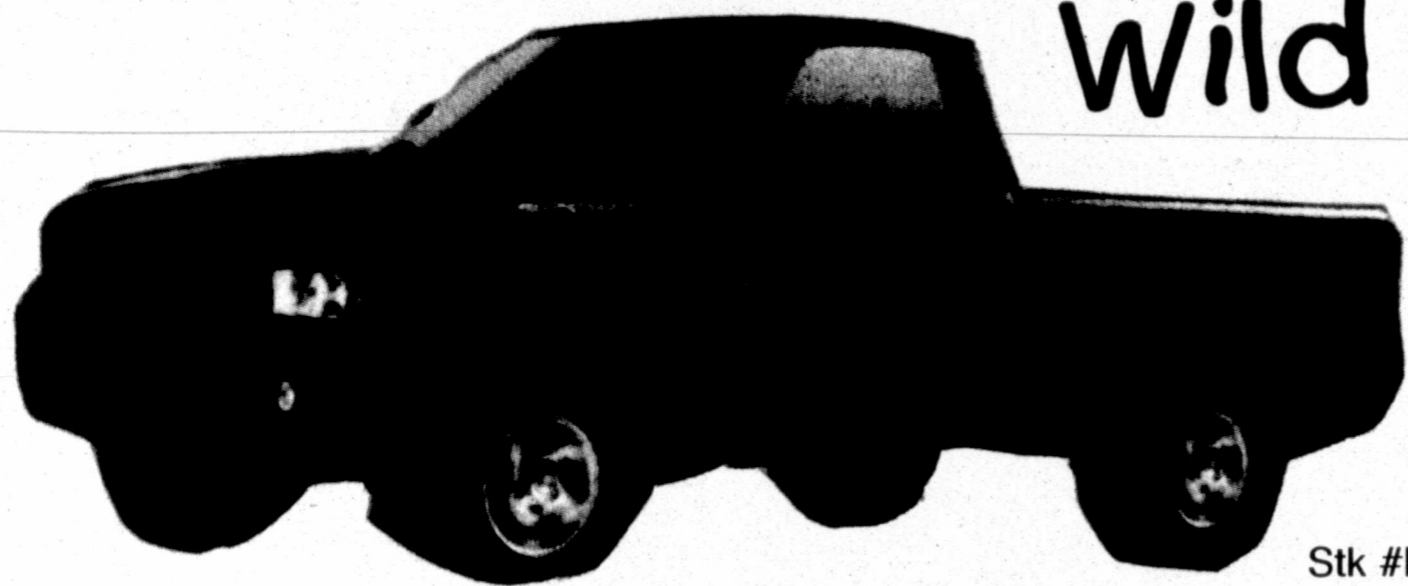
- Avoid the "weekend warrior" mentality. Athletes should pursue a daily fitness regimen, rather than squeezing a week's worth of exercise into two days.

- Do strength training. An active weight lifting routine will make athletes stronger and, in most cases, improve their athletic performance.

- Listen to the body. If an injury occurs, allow the body to heal. While resting the injured body part, cross train to maintain fitness. Remember, misuse is worse than disuse.

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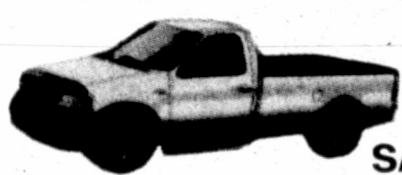
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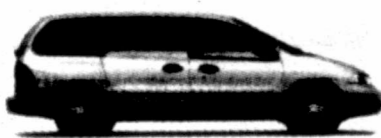
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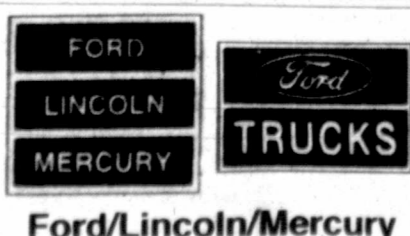
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