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Dumping pets in rural areas ends up in cruel punishment

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Abandoning pets in rural areas is a perpetual problem in Gray County as in other areas, with cruel and criminal results, according to local officials.

Dogs can sometimes be seen roaming roadsides or uninhabited areas, and some are there because their owners brought them there and left them, officials say.

"Dumping an animal is cruelty to an animal," said Lt. Joe B. Hoard of Gray County Sheriff's Office.

The Texas Penal Code includes the following phrases in its definition of cruelty to an animal: "Abandons unreasonably" and "Fails unreasonably to provide necessary food, care or shelter for an animal in the person's custody.

Cruelty to an animal is a Class A misdemeanor in the State of Texas and is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$4,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year, or both.

"We don't have an exact number on how many abandoned animal calls we get," Hoard said.

Gray County does not have an animal control department, but the City of Pampa does, including a shelter for animals.

Some animals are euthanized at the shelter if no homes are found for them after a period of time, but at least the animals have a chance of being placed with someone who wants them, according to Pampa Animal Control Supervisor Sandy Burns.

owner to return and retrieve them, even if that owner had not treated them well, she said

Animals which stray off the roadway onto private property run the risk of being shot by the landowner, she said.

"The survival rate for a dog in a shelter is better than for one dumped on the side of the road. A dog in a shelter gets fed and cared for, and has a chance to find a home," Burns said

"Dumping them on the side of the road is execution. They're not going to survive," she said.

People who are interested in getting a pet will not often pick up abandoned dogs, Burns said. Reasons include no knowledge of the abandoned dog, such as why it was abandoned, its vaccination status and its temperament.

Persons who cannot or do not wish to keep a dog or cat may bring it to the city's animal shelter, located in Hobart Street Park in the 800 block of South Hobart. The animals may be brought at any time to the shelter, which has a night drop for receiving dogs and cats, Burns said. The night drop is large enough to hold a large dog.

"It doesn't cost anything for someone to drop a dog or cat at the shelter," she said. 'It's a much more humane end if no home is found for them. It's just a fact of life that there are more pets than homes."

The shelter is open between 5 and 6 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, and is closed on Sundays and holidays. Dogs and cats may be left at the shelter when it is open as well as when it is closed. "The more information we can find out on a pet, the better chance we have of finding them a home," Burns said. "Age and name are helpful"

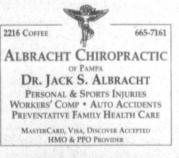
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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS Pampa Animal Control Officer Monty Montgomery stands with one of the dogs currently available for adoption at the shelter. This young dog was friendly and seemed interested in people on the day this photo was taken. One of his fellow shelter residents, a boxer, was adopted that day by a family.

New lighting, sound system for M.K. Brown

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

In the morning it was the lightning. In the afternoon, it was the thunder.

About half a dozen city employees, part time and full time, gathered in the small dark control room of M.K. Brown this week to learn the new lighting and sound systems for the auditorium.

Bryan Cheevers with ETC Theatrical Lighting, a Wisconsin-based international theatrical lighting company, spent Thursday morning going over the new computerized lighting control board.

Through the high window

overlooking the auditorium, lights onstage flashed and dimmed as new instructions were programmed into the computer as Cheevers gave what sounded more like computer instructions than stage directions.

Casey McGrew with Tarpley Music Co. instructed the group in the new sound system Thursday afternoon.

'The sound board is twice as big as the lighting board," said Shane Stokes, who oversees the M.K. Brown Auditorium, "and twice as complex."

Fortunately, Stokes said,

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"Studies have been done that show that animals which are dumped on the side of the road stay where they're dumped and either starve, are run over, or are killed by coyotes," Burns said.

Animals will often stay where they are dumped because they are waiting for their

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Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

In the small dark room overlooking the auditorium at M.K. Brown Civic Center, Bryan Cheevers, left, with ETC Theatrical Lighting, shows Randy Hendrick, Jackie Harper, Shawn Watson and Shane Stokes how to light up the stage with a new computerized lighting control center.

Gray County monument awaiting crane for moving

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

To do the job right, the proper tools are required.

That's why the monument commemorating Gray County History, which until recently has stood on the south lawn of the county courthouse, has not yet been restored to its upright position.

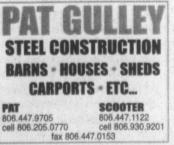
The new sprinkler system installed for the south lawn could be damaged if heavy vehicles such as lifting equipment were driven over the lawn, said County Judge Richard Peet.

heavy crane owned by Parsley's to help set the monument, since they Sheet Metal and Roofing Co. to become available. The crane, which is currently tied up on another job, is capable of picking up the monument to seven feet deep is already in place and moving it without having to in the area immediately south of the drive over the lawn, Peet said.

"Brad Pingel and Lance DeFever So the county is waiting for a of Fairview Cemetery have offered

have experience in setting such things," Peet said.

A concrete rectangular square six central circle on the lawn, to provide a base for the monument.



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WRCA Ranch Rodeo... September 30th - October 2nd

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Obituaries

Velma Faye Carter

Velma Faye Carter, 96, of Lefors died Sunday Sept. 18, 2005.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Carter was born June 14, 1909 in Brice, Texas. She had been a resident of Lefors since 1937. She married J.E. "Eldon" Carter on Sept. 5, 1937, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on Jan. 3, 1996.

She was a beautician for 27 years. She was a member of the Lefors Art & Civic Club. She was a den mother for the Cub Scouts, a crafter and a gardener. She was a member of the Lefors Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son, Ray Carter of Lefors; a daughter-in-law, Barsha Carter of Lusby, Maryland.; a sister, Leta Gatlin of Mobeetie; two grandchildren, Bricca Carter of Everett, Washington., and Macsen Carter of Lusby, Maryland; a great-granddaughter, Beth Combs of Everett, Washington; a special friend, Leola Moxon of Lefors; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to Lefors Senior Citizens Center, 806 N. Main, Lefors, Texas 79054.

Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com

Annell Owens Stokes

Annell Owens Stokes, 67, died Monday Sept. 19, 2005, in Tulsa, Okla.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors

Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichaelwhatley.com

Gray County Weather

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 3pm. Partly cloudy, with a high near 93. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 3am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. East wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 93. South southeast wind around 10 mph.

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Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 67. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph. Wednesday: Mostly

sunny, with a high around 93. South southwest wind around 15 mph. Wednesday Night: Mostly

clear, with a low around 66. southwest wind South between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 92. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

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Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 64. South wind 10 to 15 mph

becoming west. Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 86. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 60. Saturday: Mostly sunny,

with a high near 84. Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 59. Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 83.

Higher ed to get look

By The Associated Press America's system of colleges and universities is famously decentralized, producing experimentation and variety, but making it hard to tackle big-picture issues such as access and afford-

ability on a national scale. On Monday, Education Secretary Margaret Spellings planned to announce a major initiative to address that problem: a commission charged with developing "a comprehensive national strategy for post-secondary education," according to remarks in an advance copy of a speech she planned to deliver at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. The commission will be led by Charles Miller, former chairman of the board of regents of the University of Texas system. In her first months on the job, Spellings has focused largely on the No Child Left Behind Act for K-12 and more recently on Hurricane Katrina. But while the federal government accounts for less than 10 percent of K-12 spending, it generates about one-third of spending on higher ed, through research grants.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD Pampa Police Department reported the following inci-

dents and arrests today. Saturday, Sept. 17

Four traffic stops were made. A vehicle accident was reported in the 500 block of Worrell.

Law enforcement assistance was rendered at the intersections of Albert and Tignor streets, and Kingsmill and Cuyler streets.

Civil matters were reported in the 400 block of North Starkweather and the 100 block of South Faulkner.

Three business alarms and two residential alarms were reported.

Welfare checks were made in the 2800 block of Charles and the 1900 block of North Faulkner.

A prowler was reported in the 2100 block of North Sumner.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 300 block of Purviance and the 600 block of East Foster.

Disorderly conduct/noise was reported in the 800 block of South Sumner, the 500 block of Magnolia, and the 300 block of North Gillespie.

One suicide attempt was reported.

A domestic disturbance was reported from the intersection of Rham and Faulkner streets.

Domestic assault was reported at a residence. Minor injuries were reported.

An offense against family was reported in the 1300 block of Mary Ellen.

Attempted assault was reported in the 200 block of East Browning.

Criminal mischief was reported on two occasions in the 900 block of South Sumner. The first occasion involved kicking down signs and decorations on lawns. The second call concerned windows being broken out of a backhoe and garage, resulting in \$2,020 in damage.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Magnolia. Windows were

1100 block of North Starkweather. Home interior decorations valued at \$900 were taken.

Theft was reported in the 2400 block of Charles. A bicycle valued at \$65 was taken.

A call concerning a subject with a weapon was received from the 1000 block of Huff Road. The subject was gone upon officers' arrival.

An information report concerning forgery of checks was taken in the 1000 block of Price Road.

A report concerning fraudulent checks was made in the police department lobby.

Sunday, Sept. 18 Seven traffic stops were made.

Driving while intoxicated was reported in the 100 block of West Worrell. Public intoxication was

reported in the 400 block of North Ballard.

A narco ic drug law violation concerning possession of drug paraphernalia was reported in the 800 block of East Frederic. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Law enforcement assistance was rendered at the Hobart Street overpass, the intersection of McCullough and Barnes streets, the intersection of Kingsmill and Houston streets, and at one other location.

Emergency medical services assistance was rendered in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

A welfare check was made in the 800 block of East Frederic.

Disorderly conduct/noise was reported in the 1900 block of Williston and the 1400 block of West Somerville.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 600 block of North Dwight and the 800 block of South Hobart.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 1900 block of Coffee and the 300 block of Tignor.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 800 block of North Nelson. The two firefighters responded to

credit card abuse was received in the police department lobby.

> Evading arrest was reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road.

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Theft was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Alicia Jean Smith, 36, 617 Campbell, was arrested in the 800 block of East Frederic for possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance.

Joseph Wilson, 17, 830 N. Nelson, was arrested in the 800 block of North Nelson for failure to attend school and failure to pay a fine.

Dale Andrew Rasmussen, 24, 427 Hill, was arrested in the 400 block of Hill for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

Saturday, Sept. 17

Marshall Gordon Welsh, 19, 733 N. Zimmers, was arrested for minor in possession of alcohol.

Nasha Hill, 26, 1023 Love, was arrested on a probation violation and motion to revoke probation for delivery of a controlled substance.

Jessica Carol Smith, 17, 1029 N. Dwight, was arrested on a capias pro fine for disruption of classes.

Sunday, Sept. 18

Brandi Nicole Reeves, 25, 1008 Foster, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, possessing alcohol in a vehicle, and failure to appear.

Danasty Mize, 20.Shamrock, was arrested for no insurance.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the weekend period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Sept. 17 7:59 a.m. - One unit and the City Barn to stand by

because of hazardous waste

Sunday, Sept. 18

8:58 p.m. - One unit and

collection day.

The following grain quotations are

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y.

Stock Market quotations are fur-nished by Edward Jones & Co. of

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's push to give the military a bigger role in responding to major disasters like Hurricane Katrina could lead to a loosening of legal limits on the use of federal troops on U.S. soil.

Pentagon officials are reviewing that possibility, and some in Congress agree it needs to be considered.

Bush did not define the wider role he envisions for the military. But in his speech to the nation from New Orleans on Thursday, he alluded to the unmatched ability of federal troops to provide supplies, equipment, communications, transportation and other assets the military lumps under the label of "logistics."

The president called the military "the institution of our government most capable of massive logistical operations on a moment's notice."

At question, however, is



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how far to push the military role, which by law may not include actions that can be defined as law enforcement stopping traffic, searching people, seizing property or making arrests. That prohibition is spelled out in the Posse Comitatus Act of 1878, enacted after the Civil War mainly to prevent federal troops from supervising elections in former

Confederate states. Speaking on the Senate floor Thursday, Sen. John Warner, R-Va., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said, "I believe the time has come that we reflect on the Posse Comitatus Act." He advocated giving the president and the secretary of defense "correct standby authorities" to manage disasters.

Presidents have long been reluctant to deploy U.S. troops domestically, leery of the image of federal troops patrolling in their own country or of embarrassing state and local officials.

The active-duty elements that Bush did send to Louisiana and Mississippi included some Army and Marine Corps helicopters and their crews.

broken out of a building, resulting in an estimated \$300 damage.

Theft was reported in the police department lobby and the 400 block of North West, where a bicycle was taken.

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incident was verbal only.

Verbal assault was reportthree firefighters responded ed in the 300 block of North to the 1000 block of Prairie on a medical assist.

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Barbecues geting more elaborate

RAYMONDVILLE, Texas (AP) — A Texas ranch barbecue once meant a steer. some fire, and a big sky full of stars — all served up with a kettle of charro beans.

These days, things can get a bit more elaborate.

San Antonio caterer Don Strange has been known to

bring live armadillos and longhorn cattle as props to ranch barbecues, where the spread may include grilled beef tenderloin, oysters with a Worcestershire-wine sauce and faux white wing doves.

One of his customers' favorites is grilled pizza, with pesto, sun-dried tomatoes and tiny shrimp.

"Barbecue's just sort of a name," said Strange, whose team of cooks and servers has fed celebrities from Larry Hagman and Henry Winkler to a barbecue for President George H.W. Bush on the White House lawn. "It stands for outdoors."

Bush begins talks to replace O' Connor

WASHINGTON (AP) -President Bush is in the early phases of consultations with Congress on filling a second vacancy on the Supreme Court, officials disclosed Friday, as Judge John Roberts coasts to Senate confirmation as chief justice.

White House counsel Harriett Miers has called selected members of the Senate within the past day or two to solicit their views on replacements for Justice

officials said.

At the same time, Bush has invited four key senators to a breakfast meeting at the House White next Wednesday to discuss filling O'Connor's seat. The guest list includes Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., and Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., as well as Sen. Arlen Specter, the Pennsylvania Republican who chairs the Judiciary Committee, and Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont, the panel's senior Democrat.

Officials said Miers had called at least two Senate Democrats, Barbara Mikulski of Maryland and Evan Bayh of Indiana. Mikulski's office declined to confirm the call, even though an aide had confided earlier in the day to a roomful of other Democrats that it occurred. Bayh's spokesman said he did not know the reason for Miers' call.

administration's The actions became known one after the Senate dav

Sandra Day O'Connor, these Judiciary Committee concluded hearings on Roberts, who is expected to become the nation's 17th chief justice before the end of the month. The committee is expected to recommend his approval next week, with the full Senate scheduled to vote in time for him to take his seat as chief justice when the court opens a new term on Oct. 3.

> Roberts, 50, is an appeals court judge and a former Reagan administration lawyer.

Reid urged Bush to choose someone in O'Connor's mold. "Justice O'Connor has been a voice of reason and moderation on the court," the Democratic leader said in a statement.

Leahy said, "It's a good first step, but real consultation is a two-way street."

Bush is also under pressure from conservatives who want O'Connor's replacement to help make a court majority that would overturn the 1973 ruling that established a woman's right to an

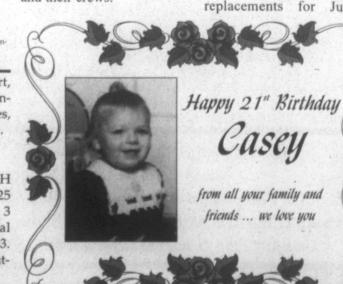
abortion. O'Connor was part of a slender majority that has helped sustain the initial ruling.

Bush also has been prodded to name either a woman or a minority to replace O'Connor, and Attorney General Alberto Gonzales has been mentioned as a choice to become the first Hispanic on the high court.

Specter, appearing on television last weekend, urged the president not to name the attorney general, saying the time was not right for him. Gonzales has been in the Cabinet only since early this year.

The meeting and phone calls mirror the steps the administration took earlier this summer when Bush began consultations to fill the first Supreme Court vacancy in 11 years.

At the time, O'Connor had announced her retirement, and Bush subsequently selected Roberts to fill her seat.



Katrina provides host of lessons

WASHINGTON (AP) - Katrina is what classrooms call a teachable moment. Everyone is picking through the mistakes from all levels of government for lessons that will spare more lives and property when disaster visits the country again.

The needs in a nutshell: more, sooner, faster and, of course, better.

More rescuers and equipment, sent out sooner. An earlier and no-nonsense evacuation. Faster decisions on asking for federal help, and sending it.

And, this lesson: Do not forget the lessons of the past.

President Bush was among those who did, accepting first-blush reports that New Orleans missed the worst of the storm. His acknowledged "sense of relaxation in a critical moment" ignored his father's experience as pres-

ident 15 years earlier, when the initial accounting from Hurricane Andrew in Florida underestimated the savageness of that storm and response time was lost.

Republican Rep. Tom Davis of Virginia, leading hearings on the early lessons of Katrina, captured the top-tobottom scope of the federal review in the title of the investigation: "Back to the Drawing Board."

Locally, officials have learned from the storm that supposed safe havens can become dangerous cesspools. They are taking a hard second look at whether they should rely on urban mass shelters, as New Orleans did at its Super Dome and convention center for those who did not escape.

Aghast at all the people left behind in New Orleans, Kansas Gov. Kathleen

Sebelius ordered officials to scour cities in her state and identify, down to their names, everyone likely to be bypassed in an evacuation.

Ohio officials are examining their emergency radio network, aware of the communications breakdown along much of the Gulf Coast. Emergency planners elsewhere are reviewing plans that look good on paper and pledging more frequent and realistic evacuation drills.

Milwaukee leaders realized they have no evacuation plan. The city of 580,000 had such a plan during the Cold War, but they cannot find it. "I'm not sure where it is or what it says,' said Steve Frank, leading a federally financed effort to improve the city's disaster response.



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GOP has plan to offset Katrina's costs

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans are looking at delaying some federal spending, including money for a prescription drug benefit under Medicare and thousands of highway projects, to offset the cost of rebuilding the Gulf Coast, a leading GOP fiscal conservative said Sunday.

Rep. Mike Pence, R-Ind., said there is a need for dramatic spending cuts in "big-ticket items."

However, Democrats appearing on Sunday news programs questioned how President Bush can trim the budget to pay for Katrina recovery and support tax cuts for the wealthy.

"Where is he going to find roughly half a trillion dollars over the next several years for Iraq and for Katrina?" Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., asked on "Late Edition" on CNN. "I think we're not leveling with the American people."

Raising taxes or not making permanent the president's tax cuts is not the answer now, said Pence, head of the can find the cuts in Washington, D.C.,

Republican Study Group, the spearhead group for the GOP's most conservative members.

"We simply cannot break the bank of the federal budget," Pence told ABC's "This Week."

"We simply can't allow a catastrophe of nature to become a catastrophe of debt for our children and grandchildren," he said.

The drug benefit program, set to begin Jan. 1, is expected to cost \$40 billion a year. Last month President Bush signed a \$286.4 billion highway bill that has been criticized for including about 6,000 projects added by lawmakers to benefit their districts and states.

Setting aside all of those additional highway projects and delaying the drug benefit by a year are expected to be among the proposals House Republicans are preparing for "Operation Offset" this week, Pence said

"We need to rebuild," he said. "We

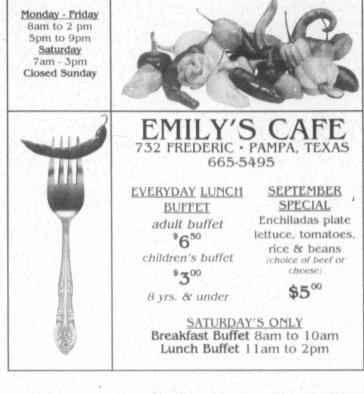
to do that, I really believe that." Sen. David Vitter, R-La., said tax increases will not be a part of the recov-

ery plan he intends to offer this week. Although cuts in spending and delays in spending already approved will not be in his proposal, Vitter said he is open to considering such actions.

Vitter said people should not take on faith that Republicans will make cuts in light of the high spending during the Bush administration.

"We haven't been disciplined enough over the last 10 years. We need to do that, and we needed to do that before Katrina. We still need to do that over the medium and long term," Vitter said. Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said an across-the-board cut in spending, excluding defense spending, would be appropriate. He suggested lawmakers consider delaying the drug benefit and

review the highway and energy bills passed this summer. The energy bill totaled \$12.3 billion over 10 years.





Economic risks challenging for Greenspan

WASHINGTON (AP) - Conflicting economic risks that could emerge from Hurricane Katrina are putting Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and his central bank colleagues in a challenging spot.

Fallout from the disaster is expected to slow economic growth over the rest of the year, perhaps persuading the Fed to suspend its campaign of raising interest rates.

June 2004.

pet seeker, its new owner

must sign a contract agreeing to have the pet spayed or

"State law requires that

the pet has to be spayed or

neutered if adopted out of a

A voucher to use in order

to get the animal a current

rabies vaccine is provided

with each animal that is

adopted. Burns collects the

used vouchers from local

veterinarians to check on

whether the adopted pets

have been vaccinated. The

new owner is asked to pro-

vide paperwork showing the

spaying or neutering was

New owners have 30 days

to get an adult dog or cat

from the shelter spayed or

neutered. If the animal is a

puppy or kitten, six months

is allowed for the procedure.

to anyone wishing to safely

catch a stray dog or cat in

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Loaner traps are available

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neutered.

Commercial banks would be expected to increase their prime lending rates by a corresponding amount, to 6.75 percent. These rates are used for many short-term consumer loans, including some credit cards and popular home equity lines of credit.

If the Fed pushes rates up again this week, borrowing costs would reach their highest level in four years.

Other analysts say the prospects of a downturn are more of a risk. They say the Fed should leave rates alone on Tuesday.

"I think the greater risk is that higher energy prices will cause consumers to pull back, slowing overall economic growth," said economist Kathleen Camilli, president of Camilli Economics. She is on the side of those who think the Fed will leave rates unchanged at its meeting. Whatever the fate of interest rates, there is agreement that the hurricane shaping up as the costliest natural disaster in U.S. history is causing uncertainty about the economic outlook. That is complicating the Fed's job of keeping the economy and inflation on an even keel.

But a main argument for the Fed to stay the course is the concern that high energy costs, made worse by the killer storm, could filter down and affect the price of all kinds of things. Broader inflation could follow.

Policy-makers meet Tuesday to consider their next move on interest rates. Many economists are betting they will lift an important short-term benchmark by one-quarter of percentage point, to 3.75 percent.

It would be the 11th such increase since the Fed began to tighten credit in slowdown.

Animals

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Persons who leave animals in the night drop may also leave a note giving such information. Anyone leaving an animal at the shelter may remain anonymous, Burns said.

Individuals may also call the shelter's telephone number at any time and leave a message concerning an animal. The number is 669-5775. Calls requiring a response will be returned, Burns said.

Animals that do not have vaccination tags are kept for 72 hours. Tagged animals are kept for six days.

"We keep a list of people looking for certain dogs. If it's a really adoptable dog, we will try to hold it longer" before euthanizing the animal, Burns said.

If the animal is lucky enough to be adopted by a

"I think this is very, very tough for the Fed. There's also the compassion issue. You run the risk of looking very callous by raising rates," said Brandeis University economics professor Stephen Cecchetti.

When all the risks are weighed, though, Cecchetti predicts the Fed will nudge rates higher.

Those in the rate-raising camp make this case: From an economic standpoint, inflation is more dangerous now than is the threat of a serious economic

Before Katrina, it seemed certain the Fed would raise rates at the September meeting. The idea of a pause cropped up among economists soon after Katrina struck in late August.

Baylor in space race

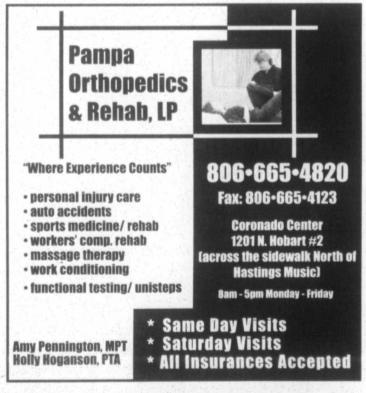
WACO, Texas (AP) -Baylor University has been accepted into a national space research organization that officials say will expand the university's research and education opportunities.

The Universities Space Research Association has awarded Baylor membership in its private nonprofit organization, established by the National Academy of Sciences in 1969. Baylor joins the ranks of University of Texas, Yale, Harvard and

Stanford universities as well as the California and Massachusetts institutes of technology in the 97-member consortium.

The members form a council that provides research support to NASA. In turn, NASA awards grants and contracts for association activities. Membership also means scholarship and fellowship opportunities with the association.









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the civic center staff includes people with backgrounds in sound.

The lighting system is a different matter. He said the lighting system would take more practice and study. "We're literally feeling

our way around in the dark.' Stokes said.

The lighting and sound systems are part of an upgrade to M.K. Brown Auditorium, which includes new carpeting, roof repairs and air conditioning units.

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Viewpoints

Reflections on a man of restraint and pragmatism

A 74-year-old man stood tall and steady with an imposing presence before us. Over the black leather Bible held by Sen. Strom Thurmond, he swore that he would be impartial as the trial's presiding officer. Then he turned to us: "Do you solemnly swear that in all things appertaining to the trial of the impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton, president of the United States, now pending, you will do impartial justice according to the Constitution and laws, so help you God?"

The other Senators and I replied, "I do," and walked to the well of the Senate to sign our names in the Senate's marble-green oath book. When we resumed, out of order." This man, one this man of great dignity, Chief Justice William H.

Rehnquist, pronounced, "the Senate will convene as a court of impeachment."

Over the course of the next five weeks, I began to see, in person, who this giant of jurisprudence was. He was a man who spoke loudly by speaking softly. He was patient, fair, and unobtrusive. He conducted proceedings in an orderly manner without ever revealing a hint of his own thoughts on the outcome of the trial. And while he was always fair, he was also practical - at one point forgiving small deviations from the strict rules indicated by the Senate parliamentarian, explaining with a laugh, "the parliamentarian says that all of this is of the most powerful men in the country, stood before us,

day after day, and deliberately exercised very little of that power.

When some people do not exercise power, it is because they do not

k 'n o w **Kay Bailey** exactly Hutchison what to do. However, U.S. Senator Chief

Justice Rehnquist knew pre-

cisely what he was doing. When he decided not to exercise power, he was doing something of vital importance to the nation. He had thought long and hard about the way in which a chief justice should conduct an impeachment trial. He was not only a judge, but a historian who wrote several books on the history of the

Supreme Court and the American legal system. In addition to his vast gen-

eral knowledge of the Court, he had researched and written in



prominent impeachment trials in the history of the country: "Grand Inquests: The Historic Impeachments of Justice Samuel Chase and President Andrew Johnson." This account of Chief

Justice Rehnquist before the Senate reveals more than his conduct in one trial. It reflects his impact on the Court and the law generally.

Time and again, he insisted that power be exercised only by those who had the proper right to it.

Chief Justice Rehnquist recognized the need for the federal government to refrain from interfering in which the affairs Constitution, by design, left to the states. In our country, the federal government only has powers specifically given to it by the Constitution; the states have the other powers of government.

For example, in what has become known as the "comclause," merce the Constitution gives Congress the power to regulate commerce, "among the several States." However, over the years, Congress had used this power to justify interfering in more and more of the business which previously had been left to each state to decide for itself.

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Early in his career, Chief Justice Rehnquist had a vision of the federal government leaving more power to the states, as the Framers intended. Later, in United States v. Lopez, he delivered the opinion of the Court realizing that vision. Congress had passed a law prohibiting people from possessing firearms in specific areas. Lawyers for the federal government argued that Congress had the power to make that law under its power to regulate commerce among states, despite the fact that the prohibited areas lay entirely within individual

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Sept. 19, the 262nd day of 2005. There are 103 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 19, 1777, during the Revolutionary War, American soldiers won the first Battle of Saratoga. On this date:

In 1796, President Washington's farewell address was published.

In 1881, the 20th president of the United States, James A. Garfield, died of wounds inflicted by an assassin.

'If you are losing your leisure, look out; you may be losing your soul."

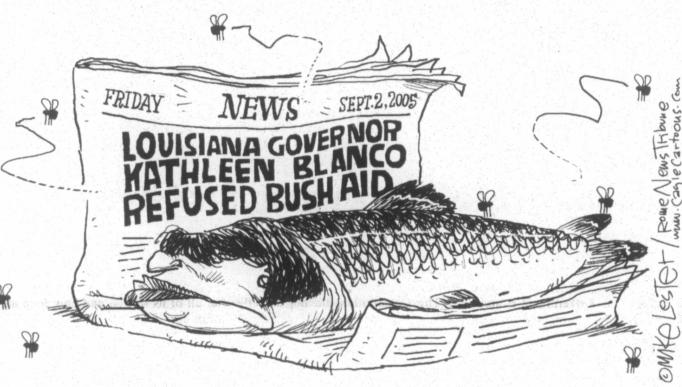
— Logan Pearsall Smith Anglo-American author (1865-1946)

In 1934, Bruno Hauptmann was arrested in New York and charged with the kidnap-murder of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr.

In 1945, Nazi propagandist William Joyce, known as "Lord Haw-Haw," was sentenced to death by a British court. In 1955, President Juan Peron of Argentina was ousted after a revolt by the army and navy. In 1957, the United

States conducted its first underground nuclear test, in the

As we say in the Souths ... "THE FISH STINKS FROM THE HEAD DOWN"



Nevada desert.

In 1959, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev reacted angrily during a visit to Los Angeles upon being told that, for security reasons, he wouldn't be allowed to visit Disneyland.

In 1960, Cuban leader Fidel Castro, in New York to visit the United Nations, angrily checked out of the Shelburne Hotel in a dispute with the management.

In 1970, "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" debuted on CBS TV.

In 1985, the Mexico City area was struck by the first of two devastating quakes that claimed some 6,000 lives.

Ten years ago: The New York Times and The Washington Post published the Unabomber's manifesto. The Senate passed a welfare overhaul bill. The U.S. ambassador and the commander of American forces in Japan apologized for the rape of an Okinawan schoolgirl committed by three U.S. servicemen.

Five years ago: The Senate approved permanent normal trade status for China. The Romanian women's gymnastics team won the gold medal at the Sydney Olympics; Russia won the silver, China took the bronze, and the U.S. placed fourth

One year ago: Hu Jintao became the undisputed leader of China with the departure of former President Jiang Zemin from his top military post. Militants decapitated three hostages believed to be Iraqi Kurds in a videotape that surfaced hours after Iraq's prime minister said that January elections would be held on schedule.

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A few fish are better off in the ocean

Amidst the glum of the hurricanes shined a little humor. A lady, having declined to be transferred the Houston from Astrodome to a luxury cruise ship, explained her decision this way:

"No, sir, you ain't getting me on no boat, not after I spent the last five days surrounded by water. I've seen all the water I want to. I like it fine right here, and here is where I'm going to stay."

I can sympathize with her. Cruise ships have no allure for me. Being cooped up on a ship with people I don't know and might not like, with nothing to do but eat and drink, sounds like a recipe for a heart attack. On the other hand, sleeping on a cot with 15,000 other people has even less allure.

as the rescuers get to know the rescued. Long before the the Big Easy who were giving it a reputation for having ocean. mean streets and a lot of vio-

Low-life criminals Charley are opportunists, if Reese anything, so Columnist here comes the government offer-

ing three hots and a cot and a voucher worth two grand.

Now, don't think I'm trying to smear the reputation of the evacuees, who are just adding a touch of realism to the euphoria surrounding the good deeds so stream economy will have

It's going to be interesting many people are performing. Anytime you throw your net into the sea, you're going to storm, there were people in pull up a few fish you'd rather had stayed in the

Some will be perfectly content to let others take lence. Guess where they are.

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their lives because they have reached years and are frail, old and mainly decent people. I'm housed in temporary shelters folded back into the main-

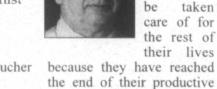
hit-and-miss success, to say the least. Being the victim of a natural disaster doesn't change people. If they were decent, hardworking folks before, they will be afterward. If they weren't before, they won't be afterward.

I would not like to see the them for the goodness and love being rest of their offered to these people lives. Some repaid with con games or will have to worse.

> Nothing like this has ever been done before in the United States. The last time an entire city had to be evacuated was when Gen. Sherman burned Atlanta, but Atlanta in those days was a village compared with New Orleans.

Places like Houston certainly cannot afford to keep

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the end of their productive sick. The notion that all of these people are going to be for a month or two and then

The bitter lesson of a simple storm takes toll

toll on the national mythology. Since Sept. 11, 2001, America's image of itself as a risk-taking, frontier-taming bastion of self-reliance has been beaten and bruised. Ours is a people given to naming warships boldly Intrepid, Enterprise, Defiance. Shuttles Challenger and Discovery shot into space.

Then 19 men aboard four jetliners horribly shook a nation of more than 280 million.

The nation shudders still. Polls reflect a sense of dread, suggesting that half or more of the population lives in worry over more attacks.

Terror works. The national DNA is calling us to fortify against all manner of eneists, hijackers, border-runners, anthrax, viruses and restore America the Impregnable.

It's a mythic vision rooted in centuries

when rivals Texas Thoughts were oceans

Yet the The Dallas Morning News nation's

knees buckle when a threat so obvious and so completely predicted roars off the Gulf of Mexico and overcomes pitiful

away.

defenses. Humbled, shaken, again. This time by a storm. As helpless as Sri Lanka in the

path of a tsunami. And now the Mexican Army has rushed to help.

One poll says 44 percent

Four years have taken a mies, some invisible terror- of Americans are "ashamed" of the country's chaos. The best of the national myth is in danger of revision.

> But it doesn't have to be. America's

being tested by the catastro-

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world, we're now absorbing

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The nation's best impulses are intact, just as they were after Sept. 11. - the

The mammoth rebuilding along the Gulf Coast won't rival the reconstruction of Europe, but it will be more important to our sense of resilience. For that, it deserves every ounce of inspiration that we can muster.

And America the Impregnable?

It will never be rediscovered. But the bitter lesson of a simple storm may be this: Rebounding after a blow is the best way to restore America the Intrepid.

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Paper trail suggested on electronic votes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declaring that Americans are losing confidence in elections, a commission formed to improve balloting is recommending electronic voting machines that leave a paper trail.

Former President Carter and former Secretary of State James Baker, the panel's co-leaders, cited the loss of confidence in a report they were to deliver Monday to President Bush and Congress.

"While we do not face a crisis today, we need to address the problems of our electoral system," they said.

The private commission, created to suggest ways to improve the electoral process, also favors four regional primaries to be held after the Iowa caucus and New Hampshire primary. The commission recommends Congress legislate the change if political parties don't change the system by 2008.

The current system picks nominees so quickly that voters in many states don't get to consider the options, the commission said.

Also, states should develop registration systems that allow easy checks of voters from one state to another and the purging of outdated voter records, according to the report by the bipartisan panel.

The Associated Press obtained a copy of the report, which makes 87 recommendations, before its submission to Bush and Congress.

The Commission on Federal Election Reform had to balance concerns about better access for voters and worries about preventing voter fraud.

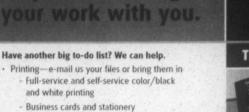
Voter confidence dropped after the 2000 presidential election between Bush and Democrat Al Gore. The out-

come was delayed for weeks because of problems with ballots in Florida.

Congress responded with the Help America Vote Act, signed into law in 2002, that allowed spending of several billion dollars to help states update voting systems, streamline voter registration and provide voter and poll worker education.

Yet in the 2004 race between Bush and Democrat John Kerry, there were claims of voting problems, especially in Ohio. Complaints included limited access to voting machines, difficulties finding proper voting precincts and the accuracy of vote totals in precincts using electronic machines.

"Many of the recommendations build on the Help America Vote Act, while correcting its vagueness and limitations," said Robert Pastor, executive director of the commission.



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Old schizophrenia drug works just as well

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's leading schizophrenia treatment doesn't work much better than an older, far cheaper drug, says a government study that is the most comprehensive comparison of therapies for the 3.2 million Americans with the devastating mental illness.

The study of five commonly used drugs highlights how difficult schizophrenia is to treat. Three-quarters of patients had to switch medications because of breakthrough symptoms or intolerable side effects.

Those taking Eli Lilly & Co.'s Zyprexa did slightly better, staying on the medicine longer before switching and thus experiencing slightly fewer hospitalizations, researchers reported Monday.

However, Zyprexa was far more likely than leading competitors to cause some troubling side effects: severe State Psychiatric Institute and the weight gain associated with high cholesterol, high blood sugar and even Type 2 diabetes.

The big surprise was that older generic drug perphenazine was just as effective as Zyprexa's main competitors — Seroquel, Risperdal and Geodon — and Zyprexa's advantage was modest, the study found.

That is a striking finding, considering that the newer drugs cost more than 10 times as much as perphenazine, used since the 1950s.

And it led the National Institute of Mental Health, which funded the work, to declare there's no clear winner. It said each drug has tradeoffs that must be considered for each patient.

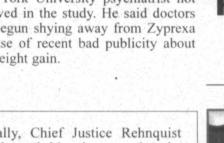
"What works for one person may not work for another," said Dr. Jeffrey Liberman, director of the New York

study's lead author.

The research is being published in this week's New England Journal of Medicine.

Zyprexa remains a reasonable choice, but it should come with dietary and exercise counseling and be switched if excessive pounds threaten patients' physical health, Dr. Robert Freedman of the University of Colorado wrote in an accompanying editorial.

"There is still a double-edged sword here," agreed Dr. Leslie Citrome, a New York University psychiatrist not involved in the study. He said doctors had begun shying away from Zyprexa because of recent bad publicity about the weight gain.



Finally, Chief Justice Rehnquist also showed his character by the even-handedness with which he, as chief justice, ran the Supreme Court. Even justices who often disagreed with him recognized his great fairness and impartiality. Justice William Brennen Jr. stated that, "he's meticulously fair in assigning opinions. I can't begin to tell you how much better all of us feel ... and how fond all of us are of him personally."

Justice Lewis Powell Jr. described him as both "very generous," and "principled." And Justice Thurgood Marshall declared simply that he was "a great chief justice."

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states and the regulation had no direct connection to commerce.

Speaking for the majority of the Court, Chief Justice Rehnquist disagreed, pointing out that, "if we were to accept the Government's arguments, we are hard-pressed to posit any activity by an individual that Congress is without power to regulate.'

The issue before the Court was not whether the law was a good law or a

ground. Following the legal doctrine of stare decisis, he saw that there were times when the need for legal precision was outweighed by the country's need for legal stability. He had argued early in his career that the Supreme Court was wrong in 1966 when it decided that the Constitution required police to read Miranda rights to suspects.

The Constitution did not actually indicate that police had to give those warnings so many of us have heard on television. Yet, when the issue came before him 34 years later, he upheld the decision, explaining that "Miranda has become embedded in

bad one, but whether the power to make such a law belonged to the federal government or the states themselves. The Constitution had left it to the states, so Chief Justice Rehnquist that practical circumstances called for rightly restrained the federal government from meddling in their affairs.

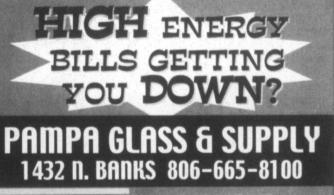
He was also a pragmatist who recognized times when he should refrain from exercising his power, even though he stood on solid legal

routine police practice to the point where the warnings have become part of our national culture."

Chief Justice Rehnquist believed restraint because of the multitude of negative practical consequences such a decision would have after the country had been relying on the Court's prior ruling for well over three decades.

When Chief Justice Rehnquist left the Senate at the end of the impeachment trial, all 100 of us applauded for him. He responded with great humility, suggesting that he had learned something from us by observing the Senate in action: "I feave you now a wiser, but not a sadder man." When he died, leaving our country on Sept. 3, 2005, it saddened us; but he left us a wiser and better nation.





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their municipal facilities devoted to evacuees indefinitely. The population of Baton Rouge has doubled practically overnight. The impact of 1 million displaced people, the enormity of the reconstruction costs -- well, we are going to witness the mother of all social undertakings, and it's all just a hint of what would happen in the event of a nuclear war.

I've already heard the hope

expressed that this will focus the attention of the government back on the American people. I share that hope. Foreign adventures are necessarily at the expense of the American people, in terms of both lives and treasure. Let's hope we can do a better job rebuilding the central Gulf Coast than we have done rebuilding Iraq, and with a whole lot less violence, corruption and profiteering.

The generosity and the huge number of volunteers show that the American people are ready for the task.

The question is, Is the government? Do politically favored corpora-

tions have to get no-bid, high-profit contracts before that interest develops?

Let us not forget that when the members of Congress appropriate money, it's not their money they intend to spend; it's the American people's money, which has been earned with sweat and risk.

Jimmy Carter used to say that the American people deserve a government as good as they are. They do. They haven't gotten it yet. Maybe that corner will finally be turned by the necessity of dealing with a calamity.

Events calendar

Texas The Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., Wednesday, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; 10 a.m.-1 p.m., today, Wheeler School, Wheeler; and 9:30 a.m. to noon Groom Thursday, School, Elementary Groom.

· Carpenter's Church, 639 S. Barnes in Pampa, will present The Phillips Family in a free concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the

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The Phillips church. Family is a full-time music ministry with 150 scheduled dates per year. The group consists of brothers Charles and Greg Phillips.

 Amarillo Museum of Art has scheduled a "Free Family Festival" from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday. Visitors will enjoy art activities, music, films, a print press demonstration and a gallery hunt - all inspired by artist Jasper Johns. Refreshments will be provided. The event is being held in conjunction the exhibition with "Jasper Johns: Prints." For more information, contact the museum at (806) 371-5050.

 The deadline to signup for a women's fall retreat at First Baptist Church of Pampa is Sept. 26. The annual retreat, to feature international speaker Mrs. Linda Honey, is slated Sept. 30-Oct. 1 at the church. The theme will be "'BEE' Coming A Chosen Vessel for the Lord." For more information, call 669-1155 or 669-0148

 The deadline to register for "Daily Living Parkinson's with Disease" is Sept. 26. The symposium, an annual event, will kick-off at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided for a \$7 fee. For more

about the information contact symposium, Amarillo Area Parkinson's Symposium at 1-800-687-5498.

 The late registration deadline for the ACT college admission exam is Sept. 30. For participants registering before Sept. 16, the cost of the exam is \$29 or \$43 with the writing portion. On Sept. 30, the fee includes and additional \$18. The test will be administered nationwide on Oct. 22. Students can get registration materials from guidance counselors or register online at www.actstudent.org.



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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My brother, "Dick," was a sheriff's deputy for five years. He was arrested recently on felony theft charges, stemming from burglaries committed in the rural area he was assigned to protect. I gave up on Dick years ago. He has almost destroyed the family farm by not showing up for meetings and spending money that wasn't his. He also stole items from the farm, as well as a substantial amount of cash from our mother. I am worried about Mother. She knows Dick is guilty, but makes up every excuse under the sun for him. He takes anti-depressants -- she blames them. She blames his soon-to-be ex-wife. She blames his girlfriend who "put him up to the crimes and then turned him in." She bails him out and lets him stay with her if he wants. Anything negative my siblings say about him, she takes as a direct insult. Dick broke Mom's heart years ago, and my siblings and I were left to pick up the pieces. Now she's allowing him to do it all over again. He's tearing our family apart. How can we convince her it's time for tough love? -- TRYING TO HELP **MOM IN THE NORTHWEST**

DEAR TRYING: It might be better for your brother if you could, but you can't. Your mother is so fully invested emotionally in your brother that she can no longer differentiate between him and herself. That is why, when you criticize him, she takes it as a personal insult. That is also why she is so determined to "protect" him from the consequences of his actions. What's sad is, she is not helping your brother. She's only allowing him to continue his anti-social behavior.

Let's hope the state steps in and prevents your brother from continuing his criminal activities -- for a while

However, even then, don't expect him to change until the consequences of his actions become so severe that he feels he must. Why should he? Until now, his mother has tossed him a featherbed every time he should have landed on his fanny. It's called ENABLING.

DEAR ABBY: A few weeks ago, I emailed a message to an old friend. I received a reply from his son, who was handling his father's affairs after his death a few days earlier. He had no idea who I was. If he had looked at his father's mailing list, he would have seen a list of people who would have been interested in his father's demise. I'm going to code our list now, to indicate who should be contacted in case of death or serious illness. --**GRIEVING IN MISSOURI**

DEAR GRIEVING: Over the years I have received literally hundreds of letters like yours from people who have lost old friends. These are people who would have liked to have sent condolences, made donations to charity, said a final goodbye at the funeral, or shared a happy experience at a memorial for the friend they lost. Readers, although none of us likes to dwell on our own mortality, I don't know of anyone who has managed to last forever. So consider for a moment the people who care about you. Go through your address book and note the individuals you think would like to be notified if you are unable to do it yourself. The task will take only a few minutes. And leave a note indicating where to find the information with your important papers.

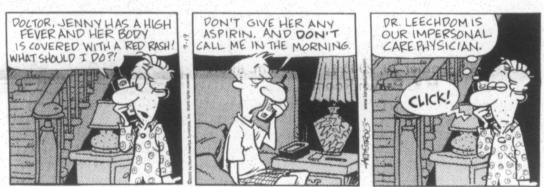
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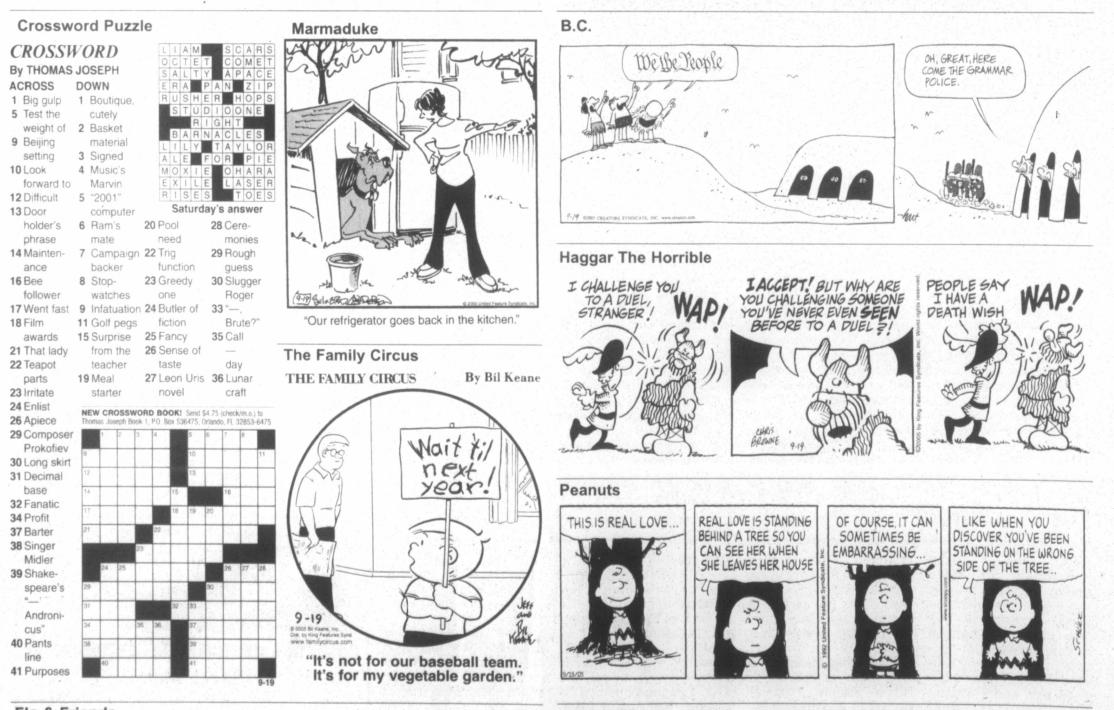
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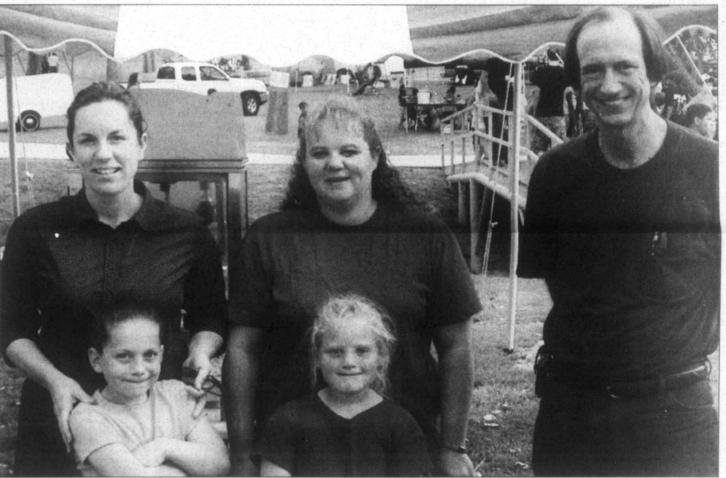
▲ The Top O' Texan Goldcoats were on hand during the grand-opening celebration of the new Citibank Texas location at 221 N. Gray, (formerly First American Bank). Above: Goldcoats (I-r): Benny Horton, Jerry Foote, Darville Orr, Gladys Vanderpool, Roy E. Morriss, Dick Stowers, Scott Hahn, Chuck White, Pat Bagley, Mary McDaniel, Charles Henry, Kerrick Horton, Ken Rheams and Bill Bridges. Citibank employees: Debbie Stokes, Financial Center Manager, Mandy Davis, Brenda Helton, Jolita Sells and Phyllis Elsheimer.

Chamber Luncheon

SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON Tuesday, September 20, 2005 @ 11:45 a.m. in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building

> The cost for lunch is \$7 per person. Please call 669-3241 for reservations.

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> WRCA Ranch Rodeo September 30th – October 2nd

Woody Guthrie Day - October 1st

Friends of the Pampa Library "Paperback Book Sale" – October 1st & 2nd

Pampa Fine Arts Association Arts & Crafts Show – October 8th & 9th Country Fair "Under the Harvest Moon" October 29th

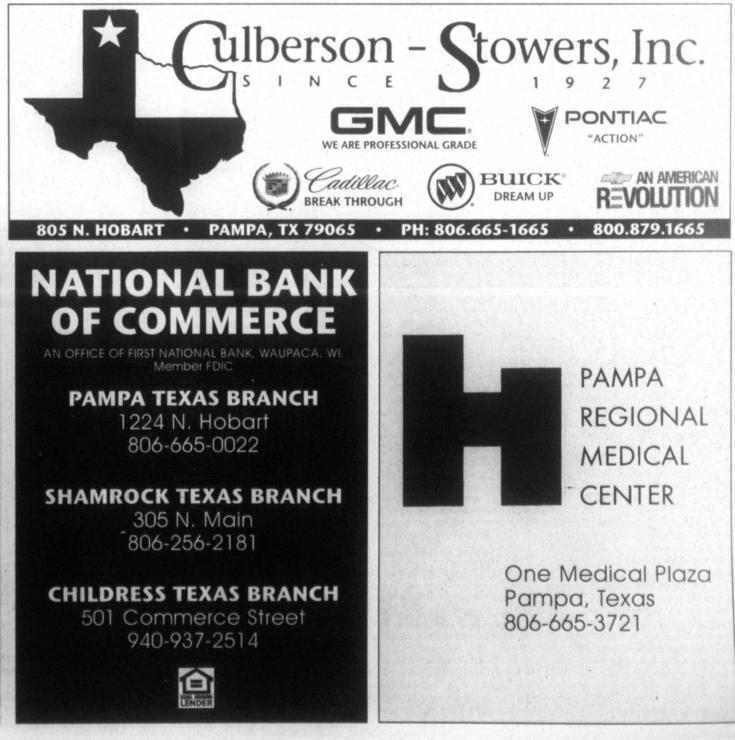
> Harvest Moon Saturday, October 29, 2005 M. K. Brown Auditorium Tickets \$25 per person

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Sports Day

Flag football



After a 2-8 regular season, the Texas Tech 1st grade POYC flag football team went undefeated (3-0) in last week's Pampa Optimist Club City Tournament to claim the championship. Pictured are (left to right), back row- Coach Roy Lott and Coach Chris Roden. Middle row-Ryan Roden, Mason McKay, Jerad Lake, Kyndan Lott and Braden Kidd. Front row- Kade Woods, Justin Beck, Garret Mullican and Jacob Gething.

Turnovers, not calls cost Pampa game

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

Turnovers continue to plague Pampa, especially in critical situations. Such was the case Friday night in the Harvester's 17-14 home loss to Borger. Head Coach Bryan Wood points out, "Two different times we were inside the 20 with a first down when we turned it over. You can't do that and win many games."

The Bulldogs did not turn the ball over.

Take nothing away from Pampa's effort. Coach Wood believes his troops left everything they had on the field.

During their meeting this morning, Wood told his team he feels like they are very close to being a good football team. He did note, Turnovers and costly penalties were the difference. Those are

things that we have to fix." He added, "We have to make sure that we keep our composure and stay focused on our responsibilities and techniques for the entire game."

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With an off week this week and a meeting with Plainview looming Sept. 30, the team will return to the basics a bit during practice, which Woods says will be shortened to allow his kids to heal and recharge and mentally. physically "Plainview looks to be very tough and we need to be healthy going into that game."

And though some might argue calls made by the referees Friday hurt the Harvesters, Wood suggests,- "There are always some calls by the referees that everyone wants to second guess, but that is part of the game. We had plenty of chances to win the game and just didn't get it done.'

Gore takes 84 Lumber Classic

FARMINGTON, Pa. (AP) — Jason Gore stood up to an excellent late-season field to win the 84 Lumber Classic by one stroke over Carlos Franco.

With a playoff looming, Gore deftly lagged his putt from 91 1/2 feet to within 22 inches and tapped in for a final-round 2-under 70 and the victory. Gore finished with a 14-under 274.

Gore never finished higher than 18th during two previous stays on the PGA Tour, in 2001 and 2003. He joins Paul Stankowski (1996) as the only winners on the developmental Nationwide and PGA tours in the same year.

Vijay Singh was tied for seventh with a 7-under 281 and Phil Mickelson finished three shots further back.

PAY BACKS AND POTTY MOUTH

NASCAR needs to establish threshold of what it will and will not tolerate

their heads in shame today. At the very least, late in the race with Kahne's car looking like leader Tony Stewart had to hit the brakes to

Robby Gordon fans should be hanging Kasey Kahne and Kyle Busch hooked up Waltrip simply drove around, but points keep from T-boning Gordon's No. machine. Gordon then climbed out of his car, made a few attempts to dislodge his helmet from its cable connections (no upper

Yep, the naughty one. And on live television.

secretly selling all the Robby Gordon memorabilia they have on eBay for what they can get for it. And I doubt they will get much.

As he has in the past, Gordon showed the measure of his maturity Sunday during the NASCAR Sylvania 300 in Louden, N.H. Only this time, I doubt the powers-that-be allow Mr. Whiney-Pants to get away with a mere slap on the bottom - er, wrist.

If they are to curb the childish behavior displayed by Gordon and others Sunday, NASCAR must make examples of them all.

There were other minor temper tantrums. Within the first few laps of the race, defending champion Kurt Busch and Scott Riggs came together with Busch's car getting mangled in the aftermath.

After pulling into the garage area, Busch exited his car and began making tracks for Riggs' pit, media in tow, to have a few words. To his credit, his television interview moments afterward was somewhat reserved and diplomatic.

an old AMC Gremlin once it came to a stop. He then took his mangled Dodge on a hunt for the younger Busch, pulling in front of him to express his opinion of the incident.

Kahne later made some comments I am sure his car Michael J. owner, Ray Evernham, will Stevens set him straight on. I take interest in particular Sports Evernham Motorsports Editor these days. My son works with them.

But Gordon's conniption was the worst by far. Not just for how it sounded, but how it looked as well.

Gordon and Michael Waltrip got together on lap 191, with Gordon's car careening off the turn four wall.

Heavily damaged, Gordon got on his radio and, as he has done umpteen times before, promised revenge. He waited for Waltrip to come around, then tried to back into Waltrip's car with his.

body strength), and when Waltrip came around again, threw his helmet at him. He throws as good as he drives.

He missed the window opening of Waltrip's car. Oddly, the in-car camera view of the incident showed Waltrip actual-

ly ducking.

In a post-tantrum interview, Gordon continued to show why he has never been successful at this sport when, while trying to get those tuned in to the race to believe Waltrip is anything less than the consummate professional he has been over the years, he referred to the former Daytona 500 winner as something not unlike dung.

Only he used a much different word.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. said it last year and it cost him. He paid in points and a fine at a time when he was still challenging for the championship.

Gordon owns his own team, which is sponsored by Jim Beam. So what does he care? (glug, glug).

He's barely on the radar when it comes to points so, what will any points penalty accomplish?

NASCAR needs to punish all those involved in the tomfoolery that transpired Sunday.

However, Gordon's actions need particular attention. Frankly, anything short of a suspension and a fine of not less than \$50,000.00 will not suffice. If he is short on cash, he can recycle some of his JB empties.

Gordon - and all who take it upon themselves to act as he did Sunday - need to realize the tolerance level for such behavior is zero.

Silly Season, indeed.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2005:

You find solutions through mental processing, gathering information and digging up experts. Others often come to you for help. Despite your popularity, on some level you could feel a bit down. You are closing off a 28-year cycle in two years. Be honest with yourself about what doesn't work in your life. You might want to make some adjustments. Travel, education and foreigners are highlighted. Your mind expands past its present patterns of thinking. Money could be a strong suit, if you are careful. You could get a pay raise. If you are single, romance might appear in the form of someone quite different. Be open. If you are attached, explore new ways of thinking. Doors will open for both of you. A trip might play a key role in your year. TAURUS can be stubborn.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You clearly cannot control others, though conversations are enlightening. You might not like what you hear in a gathering or a meeting. Give others the space to figure out what you already know. Tonight: Pay bills so you know how much play money you have. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ The Moon in your sign makes you a major player in what happens right now. You might feel a tightness or negativity. Let it go. Consider a home office. You find that the unexpected marks events and associates. Tonight: What would make you happy?

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ** Know when to retreat into your office or perhaps call in sick. You or your associates might be unusually negative. Who is the common denominator here? You might feel that a higher-up is unpre-

dictable. Tonight: Vanish quickly. CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** You hear surprising news. On some level, you might feel as if your budget is taxed. Be ready to put a halt to activities that are making your checking account an empty pit. Tonight: Find your

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Of late, you have had an attitude change. You are more serious or a bit down. Be aware of the impact of your personality on different situations. Someone could be quite reactive. Tonight: Take charge and handle a responsibility.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You might not be sure what motivates someone close to you who might be quite unpredictable. Know when to give this person space. It might be helpful to detach and imagine what it's like to be this person. Tonight: Do something you normally don't do. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You must deal with a partner, whether you want to or not. This person seems to know what he or she wants, and will not budge. Don't pout. Everything can change at the last moment. Be inventive with work. Tonight: Just go along for the ride

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Clearly, others are in command. You might not like what is happening, but you cannot change it. A boss or higher-up could be difficult or bossy. You

can't change him. Just flex. Tonight: Say

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ A friend could easily talk your ear off. You might need to set boundaries with this person or spend less time together. Your imagination and creativity will help you step out of this situation gracefully. Tonight: Consider this situation temporary

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ The unpredictable marks you closer relationships, as well as those you deal with on a regular basis. You could be uncomfortable if you aren't in control. Otherwise, you might like all the excitement around you. Tonight: Feel free to enjoy vourself. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You need to isolate a personal or domestic issue. You could find an expen diture tied to this situation. If you find experts, you will like what happens. You will see other solutions to your predica ment. Tonight: Stay close to home. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Your unpredictability might force a conversation, if not today, then in the near future. Others might be having more trouble than you realize dealing with this new trait. Explain what you are going through. Tonight: A talk is in order.

BORN TODAY Actress Sophia Loren (1934), journalist Pia Lindstrom (1938), columnist Dr. Joyce Brothers (1928)

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The AP Top 25

(AP) - The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sept. 17, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking

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	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. USC (57)	2-0	1,617	1
2. Texas (8)	3-0	1,564	2
3. LSU	1-0	1,437	3
4. Virginia Tech	3-0	1,406	4
5. Florida	3-0	1,372	6
6. Florida St.	3-0	1,246	8
7. Georgia	3-0	1,235	7
8. Ohio St.	2-1	1,127	9
9. Louisville	2-0	1,096	11
10. Tennessee	1-1	929	5
11. Purdue	2-0	916	12
12. Miami	1-1	901	13
13. California	3-0	739	15
14. Michigan	2-1	702	14
15. Georgia Tech	3-0	699 -	16
16. Notre Dame	2-1	609	10
17. Michigan St.	3-0	500	
18. Arizona St.	2-1	480	18
19. Texas Tech	2-0	416	19
20. Alabama	3-0	298	—
21. Iowa 2-1	282	22	
22. Iowa St.	2-0	245	24
23. Virginia	2-0	221	25
24. Oregon	3-0	201	-
25. UCLA	3-0	185	-

Others receiving votes: Clemson 177, Boston College 150, Auburn 89, Wisconsin 76, Minnesota 51, Texas A&M 50, Colorado 35, West Virginia 23, Penn St. 14, Fresno St. 8, N.C. State 6, Toledo 6, UTEP 6, Vanderbilt 6, Utah 5.

Old foes try to rekindle football rivalry tonight

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Joe Gibbs understands what "Redskins vs. Cowboys" used to mean as well as anyone. He also realizes that Dallas winning 14 of the last 15 games has taken away much of the meaning.

"In order to have a great rivalry, both teams have to be winning some games. Lately against Dallas, we haven't been able to do that," Gibbs said. "Until we start doing that, it's kind of hard to have a modern-day rivalry.'

So Gibbs is doing all he can to give Monday night's game the juiced-up intensity of yesteryear, back when George Allen accused the Cowboys of putting spies in trees to peek on Washington practices, and Tom Landry filmed a popular commercial in which the punch line fea-"surrounded tured him by Redskins."

Gibbs began stirring up things at a public event in early August, calling Cowboys fans "the ugliest people in the world." He apologized the next day, saying he got caught up in the moment and trying to smooth things out by adding that some of his best friends - not to mention one of the main sponsors of his NASCAR team live in Dallas.

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J.B. Horton, Rotary Scholarship winner, addressed a recent meeting of the Pampa Rotary Club. Horton described his experiences as a student living in England - what he has learned about various political philosophies, religions and languages while attending classes with students from 15 different countries.

Texas turkey rules Great Gobbler Gallop

WORTHINGTON, Minn. Saturday's race, Paycheck (AP) — Like a true southern belle, Ruby Begonia stood back and let Paycheck fly high, raising hopes among hometown fans that Paycheck would have a leg up on winning the Traveling Trophy of Tumultuous Triumph.

But Paycheck flew off course, per-

haps trying to find his way to Worthington took to the skies, while Ruby moved only a few feet before taking a sightseeing break near the Tienda Guatemala store, then a brief siesta.

Victory appeared secure for the gliding gobbler Paycheck.

"Well, that turkey started flying, and we couldn't keep

up. 'Well, that turkey lucky we didstarted flying, and n't land on top we couldn't keep up. We're lucky we dler didn't land on top of the courthouse.' -Mark Ruesch Pavcheck handler B

Humorist to entertain when Top O' Texas Knife & Fork Club convenes next meeting

Juli Burney, a motivational humorist from Nebraska, will be the featured speaker at the next meeting of the Top O' Texas Knife & Fork Club at 7 p.m. Sept. 27 at Club, Country Pampa Shirley according to Winborne, club secretary.

Miss Burney's topic will be "They Who Laugh, Last!" Burney is an assistant professor in communication and theater. On five separate occasions, her college named her "Teacher of the Year." She was commissioned by the National Endowment for the Arts to write, direct, produce and act in a training video sent to all 50 states and seven foreign



Juli Burney

countries

Burney has addressed more than 1,000 audiences during her career. With her background as a comedian, motivational speaker, communications consultant and event coordinator, Burney's audiences have been varied.

She has spoken to groups of bankers, at hospitals, colleges, country clubs, comedy clubs, chambers of commerce and state associations as well as corporations such as General Motors, United Parcel Service and Burger King.

Burney has been awarded the Communication and Leadership Award by Toastmasters International

and was named Nebraska's "Artist of the Year." She has filmed for both Showtime and HBO.

Members are encouraged to make their dinner reservations as soon as possible. Tickets go on sale today at Dunlap's Department Store.



Katrina victims to get buffalo meat

By The Assocaited Press

Tribes on Montana's Fort Belknap Indian Reservation are donating 5,000 pounds of buffalo meat to Hurricane Katrina relief, now that there are arrangements to move the meat south by refrigerated truck.

A contribution of meat from at least 10 buffalo in a tribal herd was offered by the Assiniboine and Gros Ventre tribes soon after the hurricane, but came to a temporary standstill for lack of transportation. Now a Texas company has stepped forward to pay about \$1,600 for trucking.

"Culturally, for the Assiniboine and Gros Ventre tribes, the buffalo are the staff of life and historically they provided food and shelter," Tracy "Ching" King of the Fort Belknap Tribal Council said Sunday.

that it would be only appropriate to give to the Danny Booth. victims of Hurricane Katrina," King said. "The buffalo provide us with life, so we needed to do the same for the people" displaced by the hurricane.

butchered at the tribal meatpacking plant. The cost of transporting the meat to Terrell, Texas, will be covered by

'The council thought that it would be only appropriate to give to the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

— Tracy King bal Council Tribal Member

Dependable Auto Shippers Inc. of Dallas, said Kenneth Phillips, the company's vice president for operations.

He lives 30 miles from Dallas in Terrell, where hundreds of hurricane refugees are housed, and is a friend of that commu-"The council thought nity's Chamber of Commerce president,

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Regional Airport, and it was Ruby who sprinted across the finish line to b e a t Paycheck by 30 seconds in the first heat of the Great Gobbler Gallop.

minute, 46 seconds, but she final 12 seconds.

"Twelve whole seconds, that's all it took. It didn't seem like 1:46, that's for sure," said handler Rhonda Hudson, of Cuero, Texas.

Almost immediately after the rain-delayed start of

of the courthouse," said Paycheck han-Mark Ruesch. "All I know is I was in a full-on sprint and couldn't run any faster." u Paycheck

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stopped to visit with peo-

Ruby's official time was a ple along the race route, getting a 30-second penalty for didn't get moving until the leaving the course, and finished in 2:16.

But it's not over 'til it's over.

Paycheck and Ruby Begonia meet Oct. 8 at Cuero's TurkeyFest in Heat Two of the race.

Gay convict used as sex slave in prison

WICHITA FALLS, Texas Texas Department of (AP) — For about 18 months, a gay burglary convict was sold as a sex slave and repeatedly raped behind bars while prison officials ignored his pleas for help, he says.

"I ask you to please intervene and save my life from Roderick this abuse," Johnson wrote to prison officials in letters released by the American Civil Liberties Union. "I don't want to be a sex toy to these ... inmates any longer. Please help me now!"

The ACLU sued on Johnson's behalf in 2002, and the civil trial was to begin today with jury selection in federal court in Wichita Falls. Johnson, who was released from prison in 2003, seeks unspecified damages against seven

Criminal Justice officials. Last year the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans dropped eight of the 15 original defendants, including the department's executive director and the prison unit's senior warden. But the court ruled that the other seven officials could be sued for discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Mike Viesca has declined to comment on the trial.

The department had argued before the appeals court that the prison officials were immune from being sued for damages because the law did not clearly establish whether their conduct violated Johnson's rights.

Booth said Sunday that

through a chain of events,



a representative of the Montana tribes, who knew of Terrell's influx, contacted him about the meat and the need for shipping.



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