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## Rattlesnakes still pose problem here

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Rattlesnakes continue to keep Pampa's Animal Control officers busy, according to Supervisor Sandy Burns.

"We're getting at least one to two snake calls a day, and averaging three to four a week," Burns said.

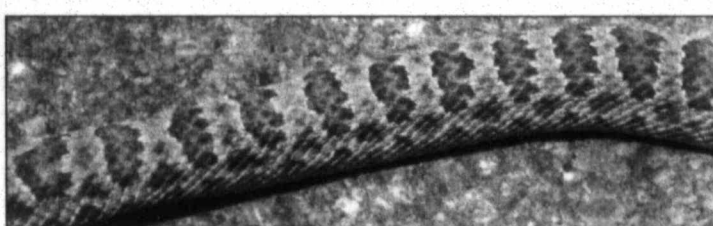
Gray County Sheriff Don Copeland executed one of the reptilian offenders in front of his home in north-east Pampa recently.

"It was about as long as my arm, and had three or

four rattles," Copeland said. A shovel ended the rattler's travels when Copeland killed it as it left his yard and started across pavement, he said.

Animal Control Officer Onry Wells found a large rattlesnake with six buttons, or rattles, along Beech Street recently, Burns said. A plumber found a rattlesnake in a garage, and some residents saw one under a Dumpster, she said.

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Courtesy photo

Prairie rattlesnakes are the most common kind of rattlesnake in the Pampa area. The photo above shows the prairie rattler's markings.

## Protests to be heard

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Gray County Appraisal District's appraisal review board will meet at 2 p.m. Thursday in the conference room of the appraisal district offices at 815 N. Sumner to hear four protests which were rescheduled from the last hearings on July 6 and 7.

Two of the protests concern commercial property, and the remaining two are for residential property, said

Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley. Each of those had asked for another hearing date, Bagley said, and the board had asked for more information from the two commercial property taxpayers concerning their valuations.

Property taxpayers have 30 days from the date they receive their valuations in the mail to file a protest if

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## Traffic accident



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

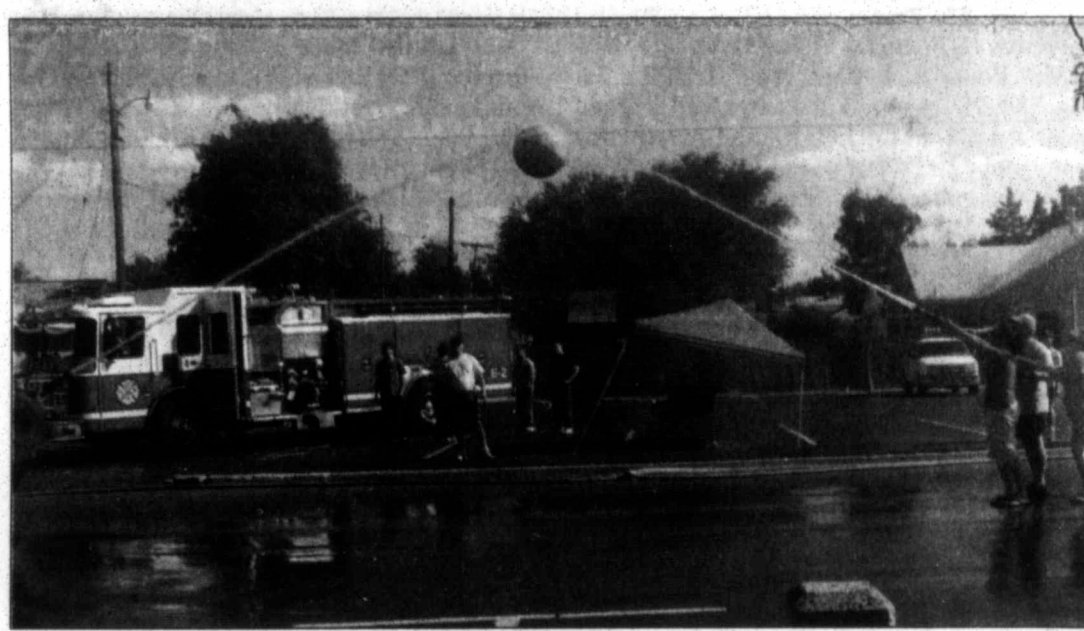
Guardian EMS Ambulance transported one person after a one-vehicle accident shortly after 11 a.m. today. The white Honda apparently was headed east-bound in the 700 block of Browning Street when it left the roadway and traveled across the front lawns of two houses on the south side of the street before coming to rest after colliding with a tree in the front lawn of a house on the corner of Browning and Hazel streets. Pampa Fire and Police Departments also responded to the scene. No further information was available at press time.

## Community event



Pampa News photos by MARILYN POWERS

"Doppler" Dave Oliver, above, chief meteorologist for NewsChannel 10, Amarillo's CBS affiliate, sports a temporary tattoo applied by Marsha Hughes of the station. Below, from left, Justin Lake, Heather Sanders, Jesse Hanes and Kerri Lake play a round of water polo, Pampa Fire Department-style. Tattoos and water sports were among the events offered at Monday's NewsChannel 10 Summer Celebration event, from 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. on the front lawn of Pampa High School.



## Preliminary autopsy results inconclusive

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Preliminary autopsy results on a woman found dead at her home June 16 are inconclusive, according to Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman, who ordered the autopsy after the woman's body was found as an unattended death.

"The cause of death is still undetermined," Curfman said this morning. "Nothing has been ruled out yet."

Pampa Police and Fire departments were called at 2:13 p.m. June 16 to the 1600 block of North Hamilton after the body of Tracie Elizabeth Vaughn, 30, was found. Family members were at the residence when emergency personnel arrived, according to Fire Chief Kim Powell.

"There was no sign of foul play," said PPD Lt.

Stephanie Raymond.

"We will have to wait for the toxicology screen and final autopsy reports," Curfman said concerning the cause of death of Vaughn. "Nothing has been determined at this time."

Curfman said he does not expect to see the final autopsy report and toxicology report until Aug. 1 or later.

The autopsy is being conducted by Lubbock County Medical Examiner/Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Division of Forensic Pathology in Lubbock.

Vaughn was born in Lubbock and was a lifelong resident of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1993 and from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 1998. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

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Obituaries

Alexander Bryant Coleman, 55

Alexander Bryant Coleman, 55, of Pampa, died July 15, 2006, at Pampa.

Graveside services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Thursday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. I.L. Patrick, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Coleman was born June 1, 1951, at Rotan where he graduated from high school. He held a bachelor of science degree in computer science from Texas Tech University. He moved to Pampa in the 1970s from Rotan.

Mr. Coleman married Jeanette Jackson on Jan. 2, 2002, at Pampa.

He was a Baptist and a U.S. Army veter-

an, serving during the Vietnam War where he received a Purple Heart.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette, of the home; three daughters, Betrice Jackson of Albuquerque, N.M., Stephanie Blair of Fisher, Ind., and Alexandra Hood of Lawton, Okla.; three sons, Ivan Wallace of Fort Worth, Alexander Coleman of Lubbock and Eric Clement of Borger; his mother and stepfather, Evelyn and Tommy Jones of Pampa; a brother, Mike Coleman of Glendale, Ariz.; and nine grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

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Coleman

Hazel 'Pat' Patterson Guill, 86

HUFFMAN — Hazel "Pat" Patterson Guill, 86, formerly of McLean, died July 17, 2006, at Dayton.

Services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Thursday in New Life Assembly of God Church in McLean with Pastor Z.A. Myers officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery of McLean under the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral Home of McLean.

Mrs. Guill was born Sept. 23, 1919, to George and Lela Mae Patterson. She married John Byrd Guill on Aug. 22, 1951, at Clovis,

N.M., and was a beautician for many years. She was preceded in death by her husband, John; five brothers; and two sisters.

Survivors include a son, George Burrow of Huffman; two brothers, Johnny Patterson of Hereford and Billy Joe Patterson of Wellington; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to New Life Assembly of God Church of McLean or to McLean EMS, P.O. Box 16, McLean, TX 79057.

Randall Robert Alexander Jones, 4

Randall Robert Alexander Jones, 4, of Pampa, died July 16, 2006, at Pampa.

Graveside services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Thursday at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Randall was born Nov. 29, 2001, at Amarillo.

Survivors include his mother, Judy Blackshear of Pampa; his father, Richard Jones of Pampa; three sisters,

Brooklyn Jones, Ashly Jones and Jo Jones, all of Pampa; his grandparents, Shirley and Don Hoskins, Vic and Sue Jones and Judy Gates, all of Pampa; and his great-grandparents, Francis Musgrave of Amarillo and Clara Jones of Pampa.

The family will be at 513 Naida and 3000 Rosewood and requests memorials be to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, P.O. Box 190567, Dallas, TX 75219-0567.

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Jones

William Elmo 'Butch' Poole, 61

William Elmo "Butch" Poole, 61, of Pampa, died July 15, 2006, at Pampa. No services are scheduled at the present time.

Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Poole was born Aug. 2, 1944, at Wheeler. He grew up in Pampa and worked as an electrician for J.Q. Russell Electric for many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Argues and Genelta Poole.

Survivors include a son, Michael Lee Poole of Illinois; two daughters, Angela Ann Elliott of Borger and Kathy Renee Exum of Lubbock; and a sister, Loretta Bridwell of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176 or to Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

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San Antonio man scheduled to die

LIVINGSTON, Texas (AP) — Every day, Norma LaHood and her husband pass the spot where 10 years ago their son was gunned down.

It's the driveway outside their San Antonio home.

"It was our choice," LaHood says of the couple's decision to continue living at their home following their 25-year-old son's death. "My husband said they will not chase me out of my home. My son loved his home."

Mauriceo Brown, 31, condemned for the fatal 1996 shooting of Michael LaHood

Jr., is set to be executed Wednesday in Huntsville in the first of two executions this week in the nation's most active death penalty state.

"In the beginning, it was difficult," LaHood said. "I pass it every day, right where my son died. It's amazing, God's grace. He's delivering us through this. I leave it in God's hands. I don't dwell on it, but this is something I live with forever, and I will grieve my son forever."

LaHood and her husband did not plan to attend the execution, the 15th this year in Texas, but their two younger

sons would represent the family to witness Brown die.

"I don't really want to be anywhere near him," she said, her voice choking with emotion. "He killed my son. But this is not about revenge. ... As a mother, I'm thinking this is something that needs to be done, but it doesn't mean I'm joyous about it."

Brown acknowledges being present when LaHood, a law student, was killed in an apparent botched robbery attempt. But he insisted he's set to die for a murder he confessed to but didn't commit.

"I didn't kill this person," Brown said this month from death row at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Polunsky Unit near Livingston.

Brown is one of two men sentenced to death for the slaying that capped a spree of armed robberies over a two-hour period. Kenneth Foster, a companion who was tried with Brown, does not yet have an execution date.

Kenneth Wayne 'Stretch' Richardson, 72

Kenneth Wayne "Stretch" Richardson, 72, of Pampa, Texas, died July 17, 2006, at Amarillo, Texas. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 20, 2006, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Jeff Taylor, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, July 20, 2006, at the Kelton Cemetery in Kelton under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Richardson was born Nov. 19, 1933, in Wheeler. He was a graduate of Kelton High School in 1952. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1958, moving from Shamrock.

He farmed and ranched in Wheeler County for many years, and he retired from IRI in 1995 as a machine shop superintendent after 37 years of service.

He was a member of the First United

Methodist Church. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during peacetime.

Survivors include four daughters, Kristie Niehaus and husband Robert of Portland, Ore., Kellye Richardson and Keva Richardson, both of Austin, and Kerri Lafferty and husband Austin of Watonga, Okla.; two sisters, Glenda Gaines and husband James of Amarillo and Sandra Crowder of Chickasha, Okla.; three grandchildren, Neely Niehaus of Portland, Ore., Haynes Lafferty and Reece Lafferty, both of Watonga, Okla.; one stepgrandson, Nick Niehaus of Portland, Ore.; and 10 nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to the Christopher Reeve Foundation, 636 Morris Turnpike, Suite 3A, Short Hills, NJ 07078.

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Richardson

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Ten traffic stops were made, resulting in at least one arrest.

Vehicle accidents were reported at the intersection of Atchison and Starkweather streets, the 1200 block of North Price Road, and the 1500 block of North Hobart.

Welfare checks were made in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive and the intersection of Charles and Harvester streets.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 100 block of West Kingsmill.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 1200 block of North Price Road.

A prowler was reported in the 700 block of North Roberta.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of West Foster, the 800 block of East Malone, the 1400 block of West Somerville, the 800 block of South Sumner, and the 2200 block of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of East Foster.

Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported in the 500 block of East Foster.

Possession of cocaine was reported in the 1100 block of East Frederic.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 600 block of Lowry. No injuries were reported.

Three burglar alarms were reported, including one at Pampa Pawn, 208 E. Brown, where a window valued at \$200 was broken but nothing was reported taken.

Burglary was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

Theft was reported in the 600 block of East Browning. A bicycle valued at \$100 was taken.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1800 block of Grape. Money, a radar detector, music discs and a compact disc carrying case were taken, for an estimated loss of \$562.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 800 block of East Foster.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 300 block of North Davis.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and unlawful restraint were reported in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive. The incident involved a 1996 Chevrolet Suburban.

Sheriff

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

Monday, July 17

Danny Murray, 44, of Miami was arrested in the 1100 block of East Frederic by Pampa Police Department for possession of one or more but less than four grams of a controlled substance.

Daniel Sears, 28, of Pampa was arrested in the 600 block of Lowry by PPD for simple assault and a bond surrender for possession of a controlled substance.

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Norman Leslie Howard, 37, of Pampa was arrested in the 500 block of East Foster by PPD for possession of drug paraphernalia and capias pro fines for expired registration and no insurance.

Brandon Lowrey, 18, of Pampa was arrested in the 2200 block of North Hobart by PPD for public intoxication.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, July 17

12:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the intersection of Starkweather and Atchison and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

5:03 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 3000 block of Perryton Parkway and transported a patient(s) to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

6:33 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1500 block of Kentucky and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

7:45 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to Northwest.

8:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 300 block of Miami and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Tuesday, July 18

1:23 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1800 block of Lea and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high around 100. South-southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight: Clear, with a low around 75. South-southeast wind between 5 and 15 mph. Wednesday: Sunny and hot, with a high around 103. South-southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: Clear, with a low near 74. South wind between 10 and 15 mph. Thursday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 100. South-southwest wind around 10 mph. Thursday Night: Mostly

clear, with a low around 73. South wind around 10 mph. Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 93. South wind around 10 mph. Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69.

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## Recycling



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City of Pampa employees recently used a metal baler to compact and flatten metal at the local landfill. Massive piles of wood were also sent to a wood-chipper in a major recycling effort by the city.

## Stem cell bill nears passage; Bush vows veto

WASHINGTON (AP) — Debating science, ethics, morality and humanity, the Senate prepared today to send a bill expanding federal funding of embryonic stem cell research to an unreceptive President Bush.

Despite a White House statement reaffirming Bush's veto threat, supporters said the pressure of public opinion eventually will push the government toward funding. They argue that research into stem cell treatments holds the promise of cures for a host of debilitating diseases afflicting millions of people.

"There has been an upsurge of demand," said Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y. "It has crossed every line we could imagine, certainly partisan lines, ethnic, racial, geographic lines."

Such research should be permitted under strict ethical rules — and only on donated embryos that would otherwise be thrown away — supporters argued.

Those opposed, including the president, have said the research destroys human life. With midterm elections just ahead and the GOP majority at stake in Congress, Bush repeated a promise through the White House his threat to veto the bill.

It would be the first veto for Bush during his 5 1/2 years in office.

Neither the Senate nor the House is expected to have the two-thirds majorities necessary to override the president's opposition.

That didn't stop scientists, celebrities and a former first

lady from applying pressure.

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger wrote the president and urged him not to veto the bill. "To the prospective impact on the health of millions of Americans, this expansion of federal funding is critical to ensuring that U.S. research efforts remain at the forefront of global innovation," he wrote.

Actress Mary Tyler Moore showed her support for the bill in an appearance with Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., who brokered the agreement allowing debate on the measure. She said she was "very disappointed" by the president's decision but hopeful he might change his mind.

"This is an intelligent human being with a heart,

## Bush blocked eavesdropping probe

By MARK SHERMAN  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Alberto Gonzales said today that President Bush personally blocked Justice Department lawyers from pursuing an internal probe of the warrantless eavesdropping program that monitors Americans' international calls and e-mails when terrorism is suspected.

The department's Office of Professional Responsibility announced earlier this year it could not pursue an investigation into the role of Justice lawyers in crafting the program, under which the National Security Agency intercepts some telephone calls and e-mail without court approval.

At the time, the office said it could not obtain security clearance to examine the classified program.

Under sharp questioning from Senate Judiciary Committee chairman Arlen Specter, Gonzales said that Bush would not grant the access needed to allow the probe to move forward.

"It was highly classified,

very important and many other lawyers had access. Why not OPR?" asked Specter, R-Pa.

"The president of the United States makes the decision," Gonzales told the committee hearing, during which he was strongly criticized on a range of national security issues by Specter and Vermont Sen. Patrick Leahy, the panel's senior Democrat.

Last week, under a deal with Specter, Bush agreed conditionally to a court review of his antiterror eavesdropping operations.

When the program was disclosed in December, it outraged Democrats and civil libertarians who said Bush overstepped his authority.

Bush's 2001 directive authorized the National Security Agency to monitor — without court warrants — the international communications of people on U.S. soil when terrorism is suspected. The administration initially

resisted efforts to write a new law, contending that no legal changes were needed. But after months of pressure, officials have grown more open to legislation.

Under the deal with Specter, the president agreed to support a bill that could submit the program to the secretive Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court for a constitutional review.

Last week, Gonzales said the bill gives Bush the option of submitting the NSA program to the intelligence court, rather than requiring the review.

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## Snakes

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"The climate and everything seems to fall into place for them this year," Burns said. "I would assume that the mouse population must be up, because snakes eat mice. I really can't put my finger on any one reason."

Prairie rattlesnakes are

the most common variety seen locally, she said. Diamondback rattlers may also be found in the Panhandle.

"Some calls about snakes turn out to be bull snakes," Burns said. Bull snakes are not poisonous.

Residents should be alert when they go outside, and be aware that snakes may be found in storage sheds and other structures.

"Poke around in your garden before you stick

your hand in there," Burns said. "If you have problems with a snake in a shed or other structure, throw some mothballs in there." Snakes don't like mothballs, she said.

Anyone who finds a snake may call the Animal Control office at 669-5775 or the police department at 669-5700.

"Leave the snake alone and let us take care of it," Burns said.

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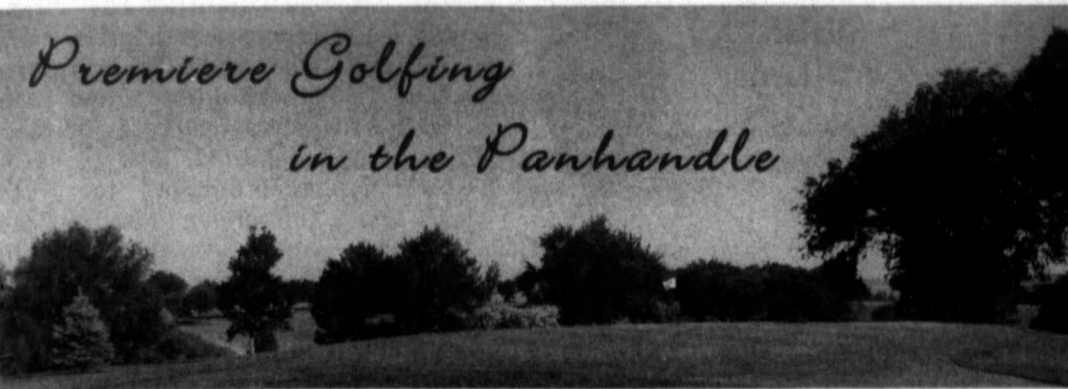
they wish. A hearing date is scheduled and the protester is given 15 days' advance

notice of the hearing, Bagley said.

Six residential and five commercial accounts were reviewed at the July 6 and 7 hearings. The valuations of two of the residential properties were lowered, while

no changes were made to the remaining accounts, Bagley said.

Valuations may be lowered, unchanged or raised as a result of protests and hearings.



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# Viewpoints

## How technological advances are changing our world

The creative geniuses of our country are working diligently to develop new technology and innovations to make our lives better.

So what is one of the latest medical developments? Is it a cure for the common cold? A cure for cancer? Perhaps even a vaccine against all cancers? A pill that cures heart disease or an injection that prevents strokes?

No. It is a beeping sponge. It seems that it is not unheard-of for surgeons to leave "souvenirs" such as sponges and other tools of their trade inside their patients.

Post-surgery, a sewed-up or stapled-up patient occasionally is found to have a surgical sponge left inside the area which was the focus of the operation.

So to counteract operating room forgetfulness or inaccurate counting, some whiz kid somewhere came up with the idea of embedding radio frequency identification tags in surgical sponges, one of the most frequent items left in a body cavity.

A detector wand waved over the site would trigger a beep or alarm when a chip-bearing sponge was inside. The innovation isn't perfect yet. The size of the chips being used is considered too large, and will need to be smaller in order to be of real use on (or in) sponges and surgical instruments.

A physician who led the study is reported as saying that in the future, a combination of techniques will be used to ensure that no such items are left inside a

patient.

The combination, he said, will likely consist of using a new and improved version of the chip, plus other magic tricks like counting instruments and sponges both before and after an operation.

**Marilyn Powers**  
Staff Writer

and spread of infectious diseases, is to eliminate "semi-private" patient rooms in hospitals and offer only private rooms. Of course, in



some instances, private rooms would not be to much advantage and might be less preferable. These instances could include newborn nurseries and psychiatric and geriatric care units.

Sounds like common sense, doesn't it? Most of us would prefer a private room if we had to stay in the hospital, especially if the price was the same for semi-private versus private. So why has it taken so long for the people who are in charge of

such things to figure it out?

The advantages of private over semi-private rooms or, worse, wards (if such things still exist, in which several patients share a large room), are numerous.

The latest federal regulations regarding patient privacy would be much easier to follow if patients did not have a roommate for an audience whenever a nurse or doctor visited them and talked about their condition.

The chances of being misidentified and thus getting the wrong medication or procedure would be decreased if there weren't more than one patient per room.

The chances of catching an infectious disease from another patient or that patient's visitors would be

curbed.

Patients would likely feel they could talk more freely to their caregivers if they all had privacy to do so.

Patients would not have to deal with noise generated by roommates and their visitors.

These observations were made by a panel of the American Institute of Architects, whose recommendations on hospital design are used as the basis for regulations in 42 states. The panel includes doctors, hospital administrators, infection control experts, engineers and architects.

It took all those experts to figure out what any hospital patient already knows and could have told them.

Beeping sponges and private rooms. What will they think of next?

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, July 18, the 199th day of 2006. There are 166 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 18, 1947, President Truman signed the Presidential Succession Act, which placed the speaker of the House and the Senate president pro tempore next in the line of succession after the vice president.

On this date:

In A.D. 64, the Great Fire of Rome began.

In 1792, American naval hero John Paul Jones died in Paris at age 45.

In 1906, American playwright Clifford Odets was born in Philadelphia.

*'Miracles are propitious accidents, the natural causes of which are too complicated to be readily understood.'*

— George Santayana  
American philosopher  
(1863-1952)

In 1932, the United States and Canada signed a treaty to develop the St. Lawrence Seaway.

In 1936, the Spanish Civil War began.

In 1940, the Democratic national convention in Chicago nominated President Roosevelt for an unprecedented third term in office.

In 1969, a car driven by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., plunged off a bridge on Chappaquiddick Island near Martha's Vineyard; passenger

Mary Jo Kopechne died.

In 1984, a gunman opened fire at a McDonald's fast food restaurant in San Ysidro, Calif., killing 21 people before being shot dead by police.

In 1984, Walter F. Mondale won the Democratic presidential nomination in San Francisco.

In 1986, the world got its first look at the remains of the Titanic as videotapes of the British luxury liner, which sank in 1912, were released by researchers from Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

Ten years ago: Recovery efforts continued off Long Island, N.Y., for the bodies of the 230 people who died in the fiery crash of TWA Flight 800; President Clinton, meanwhile, urged Americans not to immediately assume the crash was the work of terrorists.

Five years ago: President Bush, en route to an economic summit in Italy, stopped over in Britain as he began his second trip to Europe in a month.



## Best minds have only pretense of knowledge

One of the great contributions of Nobel Laureate economist Friedrich Hayek was to admonish us to recognize the insurmountable limits to human knowledge. Why? Not even the brightest minds, and surely not the U.S. Congress, can ever have the knowledge to shape an economic system entirely to our liking.

To think we can represent the height of arrogance and a pretense of knowledge. The billions upon billions of interrelationships between an economic system's human and non-human elements defy human capacity to know.

Let's examine just a few pretenses of knowledge. Under Social Security law, Congress forces workers to set aside a portion of their earnings for retirement. Take a 25-year-old — let's call her "Mary" — who earns \$40,000 a year. Her Social Security tax is about \$2,500.

Here's my question to you: Was having \$2,500 forcibly taken out of Mary's pay for retirement her best possible use of that money? Mary might have saved and invested several years to open a small business. She

might have put it toward private schooling or music lessons for her child, or any number of things that might have made her, and possibly our nation, wealthier in the future.

How about Congress' mandate for more fuel-efficient cars? According to a National Research Council of the National Academies of Sciences 2002 report, delivered by Dr. Leonard Evans to the Washington-based Competitive Enterprise Institute, Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards have contributed to between 1,300 and 2,600 traffic deaths a year.

Congress' mandate for higher gasoline mileage leads to the production of lighter, smaller and less crash-worthy cars, resulting in unnecessary deaths. Through technological innovation and natural market forces, cars were already becoming more fuel efficient before CAFE standards were mandated. But more important, how does

Congress know whether this loss of life is worth the amount of fuel saved? Do they even know or care about the tradeoff?

A major part of the knowledge problem that Congress faces, and, for that matter, any of us, is what's seen and what's unseen. In the case of Social Security, what's seen are the beneficiaries with a monthly check. What's not seen are the outcomes that might have been had people not been taxed for Social Security. According to the National Council for Capital Formation, Social Security lowers private saving and investment and, as a result, GDP is at least five percent lower than it otherwise would be.

Moreover, had people been able to use the money for private retirement plans, they'd earn much more than the paltry sum Social Security pays out. The same principle applies to CAFE standards. What's seen are cars getting more miles per gallon. What's unseen, or

the connection not made, are the thousands of Americans killed as a result of the less crash-worthy cars produced as a result of congressional mandates.

Another example of the seen/unseen problem is the Bush administration's 2002 steel tariffs. The tariffs' seen beneficiaries were steel industry executives, stockholders and the approximately 1,700 steel-worker jobs saved. According to the Consuming Industries Trade Action Association, higher steel prices, resulting from the tariffs, caused thousands of job losses in the steel-using industries. Since companies that used steel had to pay higher prices, they became less competitive domestically and internationally.

Each of us is faced with the knowledge and the seen and unseen problems. I believe that most Americans would see themselves in a much better position of determining what's in our own best interests than politicians, who are mostly concerned with re-election. At least I hope that's the case.

**Walter Williams**  
Columnist



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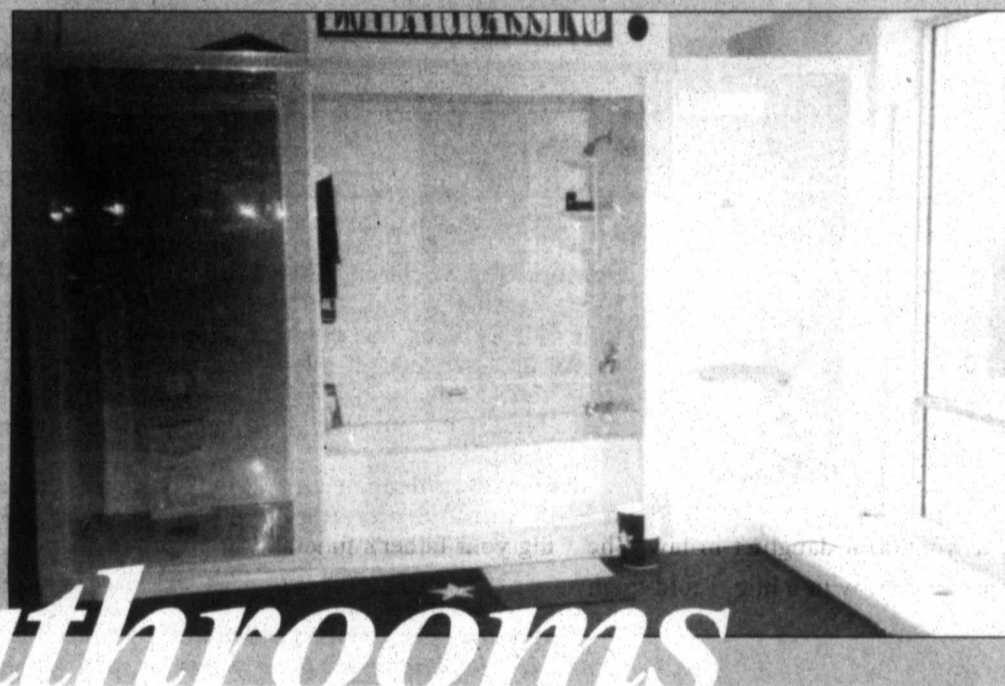
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Bringing new life to old

## Bathrooms



### Bath Fitter gives facelifts to worn-out tubs, showers

Bath Fitter offers common sense solutions to remodeling bathrooms — solutions that help make dreams become reality.

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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 24-year-old woman who has been married for four months to an amazing man. We have a wonderful marriage and are looking forward to growing old together. However, I have a slight problem: I have a baby blanket I have had since I was a baby and have slept with it since before I could walk. When I turned 16, I told myself I'd get rid of it. Sixteen turned to 18, 18 turned into getting rid of it when I graduated from college, which turned into getting rid of it when I married. I am now married and have no intention of getting rid of it. I guess I've held onto it because it's familiar. (We moved far from home after our wedding.) My husband says he doesn't mind, and I'm sure he's not lying, but it's a little embarrassing. I can't fall asleep without it. I even watch TV with it in my lap or read with it behind my head. Do you think it's ridiculous for me to have a baby blanket at 24 with a new, wonderful husband, or should I just keep it and not worry? — K.T., IN KENTUCKY

**DEAR K.T.:** Your "problem" may be unusual, but it's not unheard of. Your "blanky" is familiar and soothing, and since your husband doesn't mind, I see no reason why you should be concerned about keeping it. Enjoy!

**DEAR ABBY:** I have finally been reunited with my 30-year-old son, who was in the Marines as a sergeant in Iraq. He decided he wanted to get in touch with his dad after 15 years. I welcomed him with open arms. I love my son very much. Is it wrong for me to want to hug him? He is married, and I have just met his wife. She's a great person and a wonderful daughter-in-law. She met me at the door with a hug. I told them both that I love them, always have and

always will, and it wasn't my choice that we were separated. I don't ever want us to be separated again. He told me, "Dad, I love you, too," but he's not too keen about the hugs all of a sudden. (It was OK the first couple of visits.) I just want him to know I really love him. Do you think my son is too old to be hugged? — **DEMONSTRATIVE DAD IN PENNSYLVANIA**

**DEAR DEMONSTRATIVE DAD:** No, I do not. Hugging is a common expression of affection in many families. However, you must remember that you have been separated from your son for half his life. And for hugging to be OK, it needs to be mutual. So before you do it again, talk to your son about it and be sure the gesture is welcomed. And if it makes him uncomfortable, respect his feelings.

**DEAR ABBY:** My father recently died. My co-workers took up a collection to give to me. It has always been my understanding that gifts such as this should be used for the funeral expenses. Therefore, I passed the money on to my mother. When I mentioned it to a couple of my co-workers and friends, they said I should have kept the money for myself -- that was the intent. Was I wrong to pass it on to my mother? She is the one paying for the funeral and needs the money for a headstone, etc. — **LINDA IN EDINBURG, ILL.**

**DEAR LINDA:** Your friends are well-intentioned but mistaken. My understanding is the same as yours -- and you did the right thing in giving the money to your mother to help with the expenses surrounding your father's funeral.

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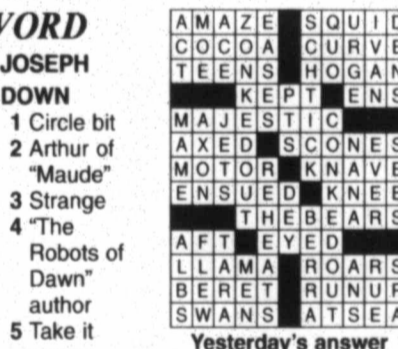
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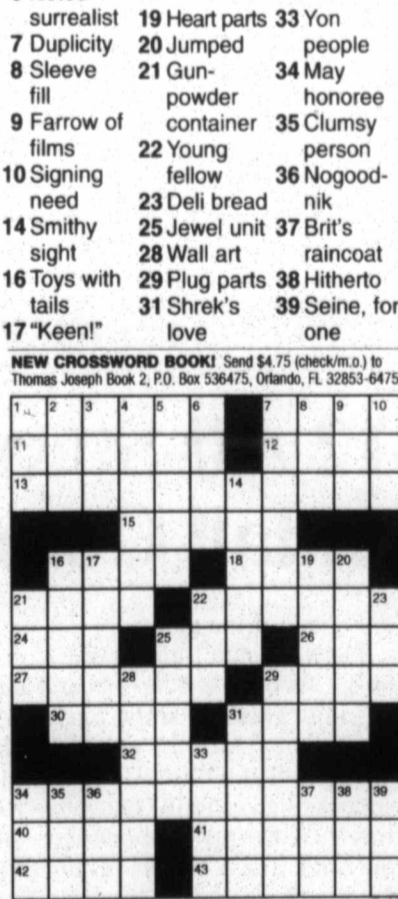
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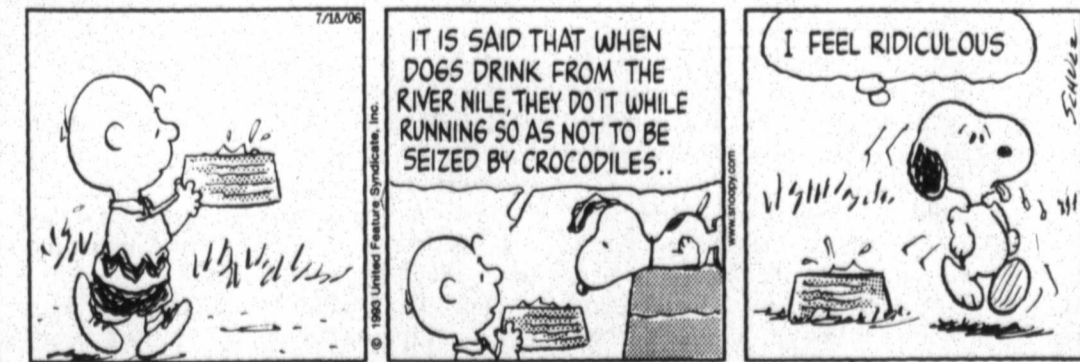
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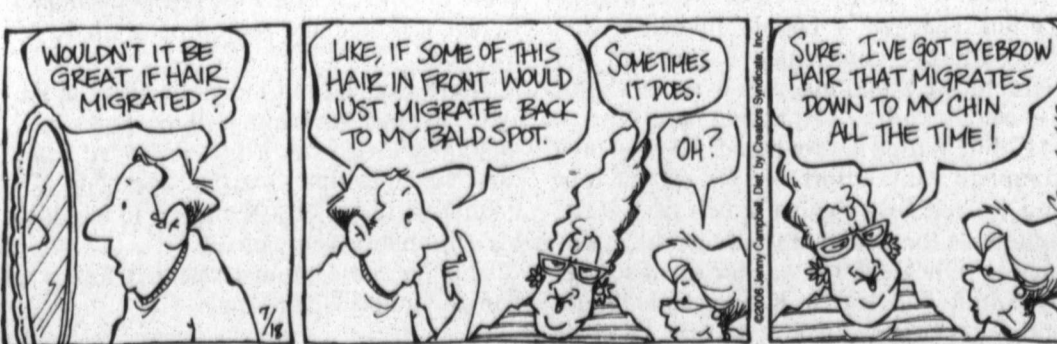
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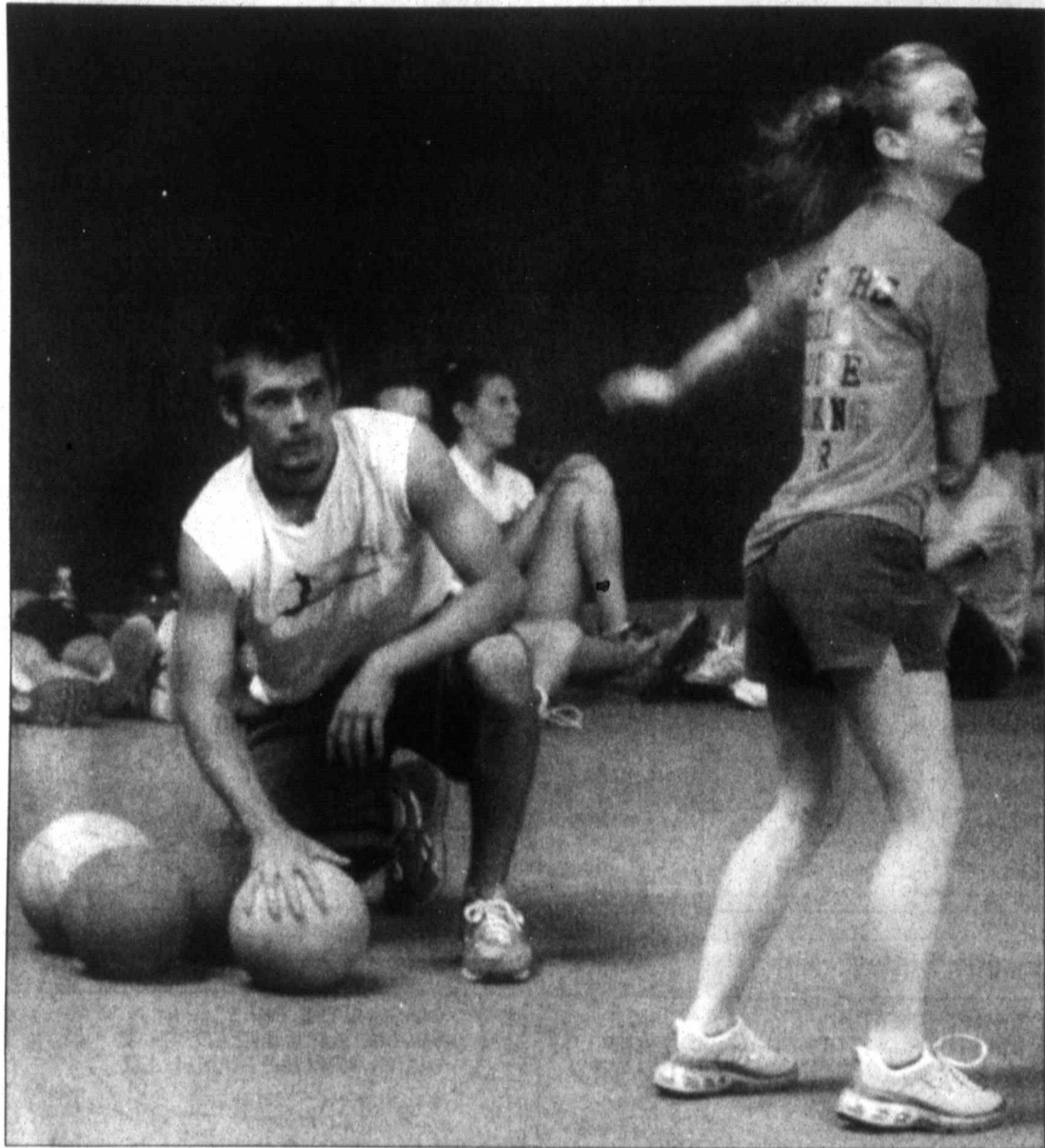
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# Sports Day

## Pre-season training



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Craig Crowell (kneeling) works with Tanna Stowers during a strength training skill earlier today in the Turf Room of the Pampa High School Athletic Department. Crowell is a member of the the Harvesters football team. Stowers is a member of the PHS tennis team and a Harvester cheerleader.

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Rick Foster (#6)

## Landis gets yellow jersey

L'ALPE D'HUEZ, France (AP) — American Floyd Landis reclaimed the Tour de France's overall lead today, taking back the yellow jersey after an uphill finish on the famed L'Alpe d'Huez.

The 15th stage, won by Luxembourg's Frank Schleck, was the first of three straight days of grueling Alpine treks, which are likely to identify the top contenders to win the first Tour of the post-Lance Armstrong era.

Landis, the Phonak team leader, finished 1 minute and 10 seconds behind Schleck. He took an overall lead of 10 seconds over Spain's Oscar Pereiro, who had held the yellow jersey and a lead of 1:29 over Landis since the 13th stage.

Landis said he'd taken a "gamble" on Saturday by allowing former Phonak teammate Pereiro to claim the yellow jersey, which brings with it pressure to lead and places an extra burden on a rider's teammates.

Landis, a 30-year-old Pennsylvania native, had temporarily taken the race lead last Thursday after the tougher of two days of climbs in the Pyrenees.

The 116-mile stage began in Gap and also took riders up the Col d'Izoard and the Col du Lautaret climbs.

World champion Tom Boonen of Belgium dropped out of the race after scaling the Col d'Izoard, which like the L'Alpe d'Huez is so tough that it defies classification in cycling's ranking system.

Boonen had been trailing Robbie McEwen of Australia for the green jersey,

given to the best sprinter.

Schleck, riding for Team CSC, pulled away from Damian Cunego of Italy over the last 1.2 miles to win his first Tour stage. Cunego was 11 seconds behind in second. Stefano Garzelli was third, 1:10 back.

Schleck, who won this year's Amstel Gold Race, called his first Tour stage victory a "dream come true."

"It makes me even more confident than I was before," Schleck said. "To win on the Alpe d'Huez is fantastic. ... I think I will need some more time to realize what has happened to me."

Fans flocked to the final climb, which contains 21 sharp bends, waving flags as the breakaway riders raced to the finish.

Two years ago, Armstrong pulled away from the field at L'Alpe d'Huez in a time trial under tense conditions.

The Texan was trailed in a car carrying a police sniper after he'd received death threats.

The lack of Armstrong's dominant presence has led to a far more open race this year.

He was at L'Alpe d'Huez on today and scaled the Alpine peak in a ride with friends on Monday.

The three-week race is wide open this year, after favorites Ivan Basso — who won the Giro d'Italia in May — and 1997 Tour champion Jan Ullrich were among nine riders kicked out on the eve of the Tour after being implicated in a Spanish doping investigation.

## Wells knocks grand slam in nine-run fourth inning as Blue Jays rip Rangers

TORONTO (AP) — Vernon Wells is responding to Toronto general manager J.P. Ricciardi's critical comments with his play on the field.

Wells hit a grand slam in a nine-run fourth inning to lead the Blue Jays over the Texas Rangers 10-1 Monday night.

Ricciardi criticized his team just before the All-Star break, saying his three, four and five hitters were killing the team. Wells objected to the comments when asked about it at the All-Star game.

Wells is 6-for-17 (.352) with two home runs and six RBIs in four games since the break.

"It was a good night for everybody," Wells said.

Reed Johnson and Lyle Overbay also homered for the Blue Jays, who have won three straight after losing six of nine.

Toronto sent 13 batters to the plate in the fourth, tying a season high for runs in an inning. Eric Hinske and John McDonald each drove in a run, Wells hit his fourth career grand slam and Overbay added a two-run homer off loser John Koronka (6-6). Second baseman Ian Kinsler's throwing error also led to a run.

The Blue Jays poured it on despite missing slugger Troy Glaus and designated hitter Shea Hillenbrand. Glaus has a sore right knee and Hillenbrand is with his family because they adopted a child.

"It's kind of nice to be able to breakout and get some consistent hitting in key situations," Overbay said.

Ted Lilly (9-8) yielded one run and seven hits in eight innings for the Blue Jays. He struck out two and walked two.

"Our offense went through a stretch where they didn't swing it like we usually

do, but they know that's not going to continue," Lilly said.

Johnson homered in the third, and was hit by a pitch in his next two at-bats.

Lilly threw behind Mark Teixeira in the sixth, prompting plate umpire Larry Young to warn both dugouts.

"I thought it was intentional," Lilly said of Johnson being plunked. "If I happen to hit (Mark), I wouldn't feel too guilty about it. It's part of the game."

Koronka allowed 11 hits and a career-high nine runs in just 3 2-3 innings, tying a season high for runs allowed by a Texas pitcher. He struck out one and didn't walk a batter.

Seven of the runs he allowed in the fourth came with two outs, including Wells' second grand slam of the season.

"Today was a bad all around game for us. We didn't pitch well, we played bad defense. It was probably one of the worst games we've played," shortstop Michael Young said. "I'm going to throw it in the garbage can and look forward to tomorrow."

Gerald Laird had two hits and an RBI for the Rangers. He singled in Young in the fourth to tie it at 1.

Texas has been held to three or fewer runs in 12 of its last 18 games. The Rangers have scored four runs in their last four games.

"Four runs in four days is obviously not going to get it done," Texas manager Buck Showalter said.

Texas right fielder Jerry Hairston Jr. went 0-for-4, lowering his average to .212.

"The way I hit today my sister could have got me out," Hairston said.

## Rangers, Blue Jays Boxscore

BLUE JAYS 10, RANGERS 1

TEXAS					TORONTO				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Mathws cf	4	0	0	0	Jhson rf	3	2	1	1
Kinsler 2b	4	0	1	0	Cltotto lf	5	1	1	0
MYong ss	3	1	1	0	VWells cf	4	1	2	4
Txeira 1b	3	0	0	0	Adams 2b	1	0	0	0
DeRosa 3b	4	0	0	0	BMolina c	5	1	2	0
Mench dh	4	0	2	0	Ovrbay 1b	4	2	2	2
Laird c	4	0	2	1	AHill 2b	4	2	3	0
Hrst Jr rf	4	0	0	0	Mtlla dh	4	0	0	0
Guzmnn lf	3	0	1	0	Hinske 3b	3	1	1	1
Totals	33	1	7	1	JMcDld ss	3	0	0	1
					Totals	36	10	12	9

Texas	000	100	000	—	1
Toronto	001	900	00x	—	10

E—Mathews (3), Kinsler (6), DeRosa (3). DP—Texas 1, Toronto 1. LOB—Texas 7, Toronto 6. 2B—Kinsler (13), BMolina (11), AHill (17). HR—Johnson (5), VWells (23), Overbay (15). SF—JMcDonald.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
<b>Texas</b>						
Koronk	L,6-6	3	2-3	11	9	9
Benoit	1	1-3	1	1	0	0
Bauer	1	0	0	0	0	0
FCordero	1	0	0	0	1	2
Littleton	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Toronto</b>						
Lilly	W,9-8	8	7	1	1	2
Chulk	1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Benoit (Johnson), by Koronka (Johnson). WP—Lilly. Umpires—Home, Larry Young; First, Tom Hallion; Second, Mike Everitt; Third, Alfonso Marquez. T—2:33. A—16,872 (50,598).

### PAMPA OPTIMIST YOUTH CLUB BASEBALL

## Cal Ripken 11-12 All-Stars fall to North Randall County

CANYON — The Pampa Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken All Stars had opportunities in the West Texas 11-12 Cal Ripken State Tournament Sunday but were not able to take full advantage of them as a nine-hit effort was wasted in an 8-4 loss to North Randall County.

Twice Pampa left the bases loaded. Pampa was able to stay in the game because of a tight defense which committed only one harmless error as all North Randall runs were earned. Trevor Morgan picked off four fly balls in right field, Latigo Collins snagged a couple in center and Zach Murray contributed a catch in left field. Shane Smith made an over the shoulder catch of a foul ball at first base.

Collin Killgo surrendered 11 hits in a complete game effort. He struck out four and walked five. Pampa struck first in the bottom of the first inning. Reid Miller singled to right field. He was forced at second by Smith. Singles by Killgo, Cole Engle and Zach Graves made it 1-0 for Pampa's

only lead of the game.

North Randall countered with four runs in the second on four hits and three walks. An inning later Pampa closed to within a point when Murray was safe on an error and Smith doubled. Both would score on successive ground outs by Killgo and Engle. A daring steal of home after a two-out walk and a double produced a 5-3 lead for North Randall in the fifth inning.

A single by Engle was followed by the only walk of the game for Pampa which came to Graves. Engle moved to third on a fielder's choice and scored on a single by Morgan.

North Randall put the game away in the sixth against a tiring Killgo. Four hits, including a two-run triple, produced three runs for the final margin. Next up for Pampa will likely be Plainview in the double-elimination tournament.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.



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 ★★ Confusion marks a friendship. Decisions that you make involving money, friends and aspirations might not be as on-target as you would like. The solution is to wait a few days. The end results will be better. Tonight: Your treat. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)  
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