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## Physician offers advice on avoiding staph infection

By KERRI SMITH  
Staff Writer

MRSA, Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus, has been in the news lately due to some deaths in this area. George Rasley, director of communications from U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry's office, set up a conference call recently with Dr. Peter Pendergrass of Region One Texas Department of Health Services to offer more in-depth information on the disease.

"I can confirm that there have

been two deaths from MRSA in the Texas Panhandle in the last six weeks," Pendergrass said. "I will not verify which counties these were in nor will I discuss specific facts in these cases, but I would like to educate the public on how this bacteria can be prevented."

Pendergrass said that MRSA is a type of staph that is resistant to many common antibiotics. It is carried in the nasal passages as well as on the skin. The only way to contact the infection is by skin to skin contact or

the sharing of personal hygiene items such as towels or razors.

"MRSA has been around for many years in institutional settings, such as hospitals and nursing homes, but lately it has begun affecting healthy individuals," Pendergrass said. "The best way to prevent getting this bacteria is to practice good hygiene, especially hand washing. And if anyone has an open wound on their skin, they should cover the wound with a bandage and make sure any drainage is contained."

"You should change the bandage regularly and always wear gloves when you handle the soiled bandage. If the wound starts to look worse or changes in appearance or you start to run fever or start vomiting, you should seek medical attention immediately. This disease can be treated with less common antibiotics."

During the question and answer portion of the conference call, Pendergrass was asked why he

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## Pampa Area Literacy Council names Schmidt as coordinator

Rachel Schmidt is the new coordinator for the Pampa Area Literacy Council, an all volunteer organization dedicated to helping people learn to read at no charge. She is also on the Friends of the Library Board.

Schmidt moved here with her first husband in 1975.

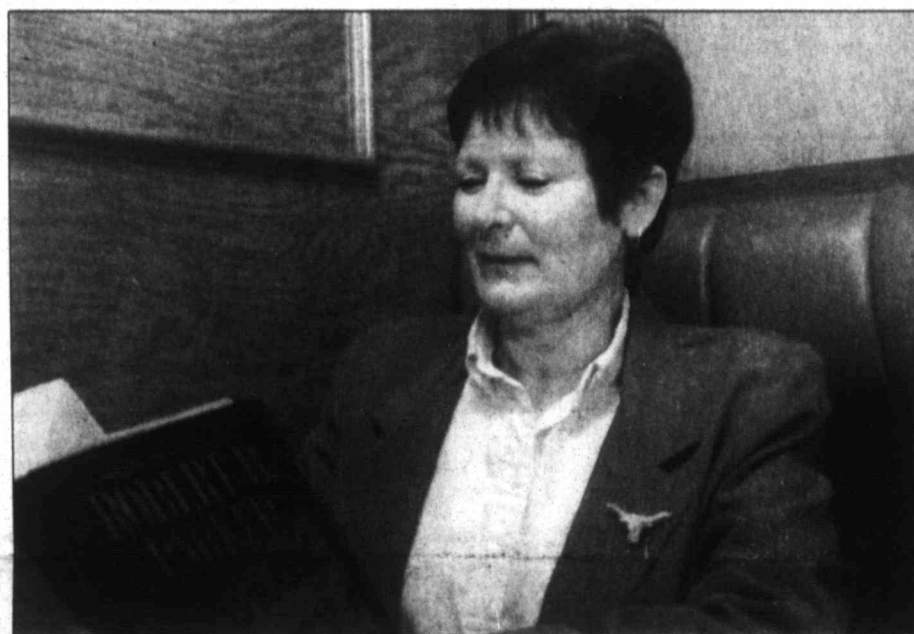
"Some residents will remember me as Rachel Fischer," Schmidt said. Her husband died in 1992. She moved away for a while and after remarrying moved back to Pampa.

Her passion is reading and collecting books, particularly autographed hardback books. When asked to name her favorite authors she rattles off without hesitation Robert B. Parker, Martha Grimes, Robert Crais, Elizabeth George, Reginald Hill, James Patterson, Stuart Woods and J.A. Jance. Let her

get her second breath and she can name another dozen favorites.

She says she's just a homemaker but in truth she is a book dealer. Rachel's Page is the name of her used book shop located at the Cottage Collection. She buys and sells books on E-bay and enjoys the hunt for special orders and hard-to-find editions. Estate sales, garage sales and auctions are favorite haunts.

The literacy program currently has 8 tutors and 17 clients. The Laubach method of teaching involves one-on-one studies in a confidential atmosphere. For more information about the literacy program contact Schmidt at 665-2331. The literacy office is located with the Red Cross office at 108 N. Russell.



Courtesy photo

Rachel Schmidt enjoys a good read and as the new coordinator of the Pampa Area Literacy Council. She is looking forward to sharing her love of reading through service to the community. Anyone interested in becoming a tutor can call the literacy office for more information. Know someone who can't read? Pass along this information.

## PEDC to hear presentations

The Pampa Economic Development Corp. will hear presentations concerning the city swimming pool and the Pampa Mall.

Shane Stokes with the City of Pampa will address the economic development corporation concerning improvement to the city's swimming pool at the EDC's 11 a.m. meeting Tuesday in the Nona Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard.

Gray County Commissioner Gerald Wright will speak to the EDC board concerning the future of the Pampa Mall.

## City votes canvassed

The Pampa Firefighters victory in the Nov. 6 election is official.

The Pampa City Commission canvassed the vote in the special city election on Friday.

Commissioners reviewed the votes on whether Pampa firefighters should have collective bargaining rights.

Out of 963 votes cast in the special election, there were 516 votes for collective bargaining and 447 votes against, according to the City Secretary Karen Price.



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

Kathy Topper, owner of Joy's Unlimited, and Ken Rheams, owner of Rheams Diamond Shop, hang lights on the downtown trees to provide a holiday shopping atmosphere for downtown businesses.

## Merchants light up downtown again

By KERRI SMITH  
Staff Writer

The Downtown Business Association has once again decorated the trees in the downtown area with lights to provide an inviting holiday shopping atmosphere for Pampa residents.

Each year, the DBA spends approximately \$60 per tree for holiday lighting. Ker Rheams of Rheams Diamond Shop said that last year the DBA spent about \$1,700 to light the area.

"This money is spent on electricity, new lights and labor to put up and take down the lights," Rheams said. "We also have to use some money for maintenance throughout the holiday season."

Rheams said the special

lighting helps provide a friendly hometown atmosphere that also helps attract out-of-town shoppers as well.

The DBA enjoys helping beautify Pampa for the holidays and encourages shoppers to come to downtown businesses for their special "Holiday Hoopla," where participating businesses extend hours on Thursdays to 8 p.m.

When shoppers make purchases downtown, certain businesses give away tickets which will be put in a drawing for Downtown Bucks. The drawing will take place at 7 p.m. Dec. 13 in front of Rheams.

During the holiday sea-

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## P&Z commission to consider rezoning

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

The Pampa Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing at City Hall today to consider rezoning changes.

The Planning and Zoning

Commission will meet at 5 p.m. today in the city commission chambers on the third floor of City Hall to consider a rezoning request from Martha and Ian Mackay to change part of God's Plateau Subdivision at 23rd and Price Road from residential to commercial.

A commercial storage facility is planned for the area, according to city officials.

Richard Morris, the city's public works director, said the city has not received any objections to the change.

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**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**



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Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 75. West southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 30. Wind chill values between 19 and 24. Windy, with a north northwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 41. Windy, with a north wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 20. North wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thanksgiving Day: Partly sunny, with a high near 40. North northeast wind around 5 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 23. East southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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Anadarko	56.71	-0.32
XOM	84.84	-0.26
Nat'l Oilwell	64.78	+0.34
Limited	18.00	-0.37
Williams	34.73	-0.18
MCD	58.65	+0.52
Atmos	26.76	-0.14
Pioneer Nat	49.94	-0.14
JCP	42.03	-1.16
COP	78.44	-0.49
SLB	92.32	-1.14
Tenneco	29.90	-0.34
CVX	85.98	NC
Wal-Mart	46.24	-0.10
OKE	48.65	-0.33

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

OXY	68.47	-0.03
BP PLC ADR	71.71	-0.74
Cabot Corp	32.06	-0.55
Celanese	37.81	-0.17
Cabot Oil Gas	34.66	-0.61
Coca Cola	62.18	-0.44
VECO	67.18	-0.88
HAL	36.74	-0.28

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**Obituaries**

**Services tomorrow**

McCURLEY, Nina — Graveside services 2 p.m., Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean.  
 GARVIN, Lucien 'Luke' — Services 2 p.m. Central Baptist Church.

**Lucien 'Luke' Garvin, 63**

Lucien "Luke" Garvin, 63, died Sunday, November 18, 2007, in Pampa, Texas.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 20, 2007, at Central Baptist Church with Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery with military rites courtesy U.S. Army, Fort Hood, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Garvin was born June

20, 1944, in Wetumka, Okla. He was raised in Dumas, where he graduated from Dumas High School. He married Terri Bradshaw on December 13, 1974, in Pampa. He worked for Cabot and Ingersoll Rand for 27 years. He enjoyed riding motorcycles, playing pool, and loved spending time with his children. He



Garvin

was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam conflict. He was preceded in death by his parents Dana and Lucille Garvin.

Survivors include his wife, Terri Garvin of the home; one son, Matt Garvin and wife Amanda of Rusk, Texas; one daughter, Misty Murrack and husband Philip of Pampa; one brother, John

Garvin of LaPorte, Texas; two grandsons, Bryson Murrack of Pampa and Max Garvin of Rusk; and two granddaughters, Makenzie Garvin and Jordan Garvin, both of Rusk.

MEMORIALS: American Lung Association, 5926 Mo Pac Expressway, Austin, Texas 78731.

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**Nina McCurley, 74**

McLEAN — Nina McCurley, 74, died Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007, in McLean.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007, in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean with Rev. Thacker Haynes officiating. Burial will be by Bailey-Ware Funeral Home.

Nina Murel Simpson was born June 8, 1933, in Colony, Okla., to Robert and Myrtle Simpson. She married Paul McCurley on Nov. 7, 1980, in Deming, N.M.

they recently celebrated their 27th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. McCurley spent most of her teenage life caring for her family while doing various farm work on the home place.

She owned several restaurants and was a head cook for more than 30 years in Oklahoma and in Anchorage, Alaska.

She and her husband owned and ran McCurley's Truck Stop for 12 years in Hinton, Okla. They traveled, selling arts and crafts that

they had made together. They were known for growing produce, especially watermelon.

She had resided in McLean Care Center the past four years after becoming ill.

Survivors include her husband, Paul of McLean, two daughters, Teresa Klassan of Fort Cobb, Okla., and Anita Maxwell of Durant, Okla.; two stepdaughters, Glenda Hadley of Amarillo and Jennie Werenskold of San Antonio; two sons, Jim

Trent and Wayne Trent, both of Clinton, Okla.; two stepsons, Danny McCurley of Amarillo and Ty McCurley-Bonner of Waco; a sister, Ina Burl Goss of Woodward, Okla.; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Vina Withrow and a grandson, Farrin Withrow.

The family requests in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to Bailey-Ware Funeral Home, P.O. Box 230, McLean, Texas 79057.

**Emergency Services**

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today, Friday, Nov. 16

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

Traffic complaints were received from the 800 block of Denver and the 1000 block of North Hobart.

Motorist assistance was rendered at the intersection of Hobart and Somerville and the intersection of Kingsmill and Hobart.

A vehicle accident was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 1600 block of North Somerville, the 700 block of Bradley Drive, the 1000 block of North Dwight and the 2500 block of Rosewood.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 1000 block of North Dwight.

One attempt to serve papers was made.

A welfare check was

made in the 600 block of East Craven.

Civil matters were reported in the 1000 block of Fisher and the 1900 block of Lea.

A suspicious person call was received from the 1500 block of North Hobart.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from Recreation Park, 1600 E. Highway 60.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 400 block of Magnolia.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of North Nelson.

Telephone harassment was reported on two occasions in the 600 block of North Faulkner.

Harassment was reported in the 1300 block of North Russell.

Assault was reported in the police department lobby. No visible injuries were reported. The victim was hit once in the face.

A narcotics violation was reported in the 200 block of North Sumner.

One alarm was reported. Identity theft was reported in the police department lobby. The incident involved an application for a line of

credit with a computer company.

Burglary was reported in the 400 block of North Starkweather. Taken were a ceiling fan, electric wall socket, light fixtures and a metal hasp. Estimated value of loss is \$200.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 309 N. Hobart. Fuel valued at \$49.28 was taken.

**Saturday, Nov. 17**

Nine traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were received from the 1700 block of Chestnut and the intersection of Hobart and Kentucky streets.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 100 block of North Cuyler and the 100 block of West Francis.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 800 block of East Scott, the 700 block of Malone, the 300 block of Miami, the 700 block of North Dwight, the 700 block of Doucette, the 1000 block of South Dwight, the 1800 block of North Nelson, the 100 block of North Hobart and the 1500 block of

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Coffee. Agency assistance was rendered at the intersection of Foster and Purviance, the 200 block of North Russell, the intersection of Henry and Frederic and the 300 block of East Tuke.

Found property was reported in the 1700 block of Holly.

A welfare check was made in the 1000 block of Alcock.

One suicide attempt was reported.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 1000 block of Varnon Drive, the 1500 block of North Hobart, the 1000 block of Prairie Drive, the 800 block of South Hobart and the intersection of Buckler and Dwight.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the intersection of 19th and Wells, where an arrest was made.

A prowler was reported in the 900 block of East Scott.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 1200 block of South Faulkner.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of West Foster, the 1000 block of North Sumner, the 2800 block of Perryton Parkway, the 800 block of North Gray, the 1000 block of Varnon Drive, the 1100 block of Alcock, the 2700 block of Aspen and the 400 block of

Graham, where an arrest was made.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of Cinderella, the 1800 block of North Hobart and the police department lobby.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of Hughes. The rear window of a vehicle was broken out.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1800 block of North Faulkner.

Assault was reported in the 100 block of South Wells.

One alarm was reported.

A burglary was reported in the 1800 block of North Hobart. A window pane and a liquor bottle were damaged, and three cartons of cigarettes value at \$148.50 were taken. Estimated cost of damage is \$532.95.

A gas drive-off was reported at Murphy USA, 2801 W. 28th. Fuel valued at \$47.91 was taken.

### Sunday, Nov. 18

Ten traffic stops were made.

Motorist assistance was rendered at the intersection of Highways 60 and 70.

Vehicle accidents were reported at the intersection of Hobart and Somerville and the intersection of Price Road and Highway 60.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 100 block of West Thut, the 1100 block of Neel Road, the intersection of Yeager and Sunset and the 300 block of South Tignor.

Found property was reported in the police department lobby. A bicycle was found in the 100 block of

West Harvester.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Foster and Cuyler, the 400 block of North Frost and the 1600 block of North Hobart.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 1000 block of Varnon Drive, the 100 block of North Cuyler, the 600 block of Plains and the 1000 block of North Frost.

Prowlers were reported in the 2200 block of North Evergreen and the 2100 block of North Nelson.

Disorderly conduct was reported at the intersection of Cuyler and Foster, the 100 block of West Foster, the 400 block of East 30th and the intersection of 18th and Nelson.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 400 block of East 17th.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 700 block of East Frederic.

One alarm was reported.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 300 block of North Houston.

### Monday, Nov. 19

One traffic stop was made, resulting in at least one arrest.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 100 block of South Wells and on two occasions from the 1000 block of Varnon Drive.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 800

block of Bradley Drive.

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

### Saturday, Nov. 17

Bradley Devon Scott, 23, of Pampa was arrested in the 400 block of Graham by Pampa Police Department for public intoxication.

### Sunday, Nov. 18

Jeremy Allen Klink, 19, of Pampa was arrested in the 1300 block of North Russell by PPD for minor in possession of alcohol, possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to appear/bail jumping and a bond surrender for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

Daniel Mark Ambriz Jr., 18, of Pampa was arrested in the 1300 block of North Russell by PPD for expired registration, no driver's license, no insurance, possession of drug paraphernalia, minor in possession of alcohol and driving under the influence, minor.

Barbara Robbins, 52, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for failure to maintain financial responsibility and operating a vehicle with the wrong license plate.

### Monday, Nov. 19

Kelly Felicia Fields, 48, of Pampa was arrested in the 300 block of Crawford by PPD for driving while intoxicated, no driver's license and no insurance.

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 48-hour weekend period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Saturday, Nov. 17

10:22 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 200 block of North Wells on a lifting assist.

8:31 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 400 block of Naida on a lifting assist.

### Sunday, Nov. 18

1:00 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1900 block of Williston on a first responder call.

2:37 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to One Medical Plaza on a

Lifestar standby.

2:31 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1700 block of Holly on a medical assist.

2:49 p.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the intersection of Price Road and Highway 60 on a motor vehicle accident.

8:54 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 11000 block of Highway 60 West on a hazardous material spill.

## Abandoned horses pose dilemma

LA GRANDE, Ore. (AP) — Ranchers in the old West saw their horse herds depleted by rustlers. Today people are abandoning unwanted domestic horses on ranches and public lands.

High hay prices and the closure this fall of the nation's last domestic horse-meat processing facility in Illinois may be partly to blame.

At least nine horses have been turned loose on Wannie MacKenzie's ranch north of Jordan Valley in the past 18 to 24 months and the Malheur County cattleman is bracing for more old and hungry horses as cash-strapped owners in Idaho's Treasure Valley run out of winter hay.

"It's a huge problem," MacKenzie said. "What am I gonna do with them? I don't want 300 head of horses on my ranch."

"We are hearing stories

from all over of people abandoning horses" at livestock sale yards, said Gary Conway, spokesman for the Texas-based American Quarter Horse Association.

Cavel International in DeKalb, Ill., the nation's last horse slaughter facility, closed in September and two in Texas did so earlier last year.

The plants had exported horse meat to Europe and elsewhere for human consumption.

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## MRSA

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would not confirm exactly where these Panhandle deaths occurred.

"We have a legal and ethical responsibility to the families that have lost loved ones to these tremendous tragedies," Pendergrass said.

"Disclosing specific details will not change the case and since this is spread by skin to skin contact, all we need to do is make sure the public is educated

on how to prevent MRSA. Knowledge of these specific cases does not change the interventions that need to be done at those institutions or in the public. People just need to make sure they are educating their children to never share personal hygiene objects and to wash their hands as often as possible."

Pendergrass went on to say that MRSA is not a reportable condition so local health departments may not be aware of local problems. And he wanted to stress that MRSA is not an airborne disease like influenza so it cannot be caught by breathing the same air

as someone who is infected.

He said staph infections have been around for a long time, but lately since they have been affecting healthy individuals they have received more attention. He does not think the recent MRSA cases warrant public panic, but instead should be a sounding board for parents to educate children on proper personal hygiene.

Pendergrass suggested a Web site, www.mrsatexas.org, to get further information and also see photos of what MRSA actually may look like on the skin.

## Lights

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son, the downtown businesses are also sponsoring a Reindeer Run contest as well as a Santa Shout contest.

The Reindeer Run consists of shoppers getting a game card and taking it

around to participating businesses and getting a stamp. Once the card is filled up, it is entered into a drawing for a grand prize.

Those wishing to participate in the Santa Shout Contest can sign up through Dec. 3 at participating businesses downtown. The actual contest will take place along with the drawing for the Reindeer Run winner at 7 p.m. Dec. 13 in front of Brandon's Flowers.

For more information about any of these contests, contact DBA President Rheams at 665-2831.

Individuals or businesses wishing to make a donation or to sponsor one or more lighted trees, send donations to DBA, c/o Tree Lighting Fund, P.O. Box 2180, Pampa, Texas 79066-2180, or stop by Rheams Diamond Shop, 111 N. Cuyler.

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"The city is encouraging the adjacent landowners to help share the cost of extending water and sewer to the area," Morris said. "This will be a benefit to

both city and landowners."

He said the city plans on paying for increasing the size of the water main to the area from six inches to 10 inches when they extend the pipe.

The commission will also hear an update on the Hampton Village and Pampa Village projects.

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# Viewpoints

## New drilling techniques turn downtown Fort Worth into valuable field

The Barnett Shale play in North Texas is a perfect example of the future of the crude oil and natural gas industry in Texas and across the nation.

Historically, shale rock has been frowned on as a production zone. It was too tight. Not enough porosity between the rock pores to allow hydrocarbons to flow freely. The tight formation of the shale made it an unconventional gas play.

Developments in drilling technology and methods used to fracture the shale have turned the unconventional into profitable for the producers who find it, profitable for the pipelines who transport it, profitable for the royalty owners who own a piece of it, profitable for the city, county and state governments who get a piece of the pie by taxing it.

One of the most remarkable aspects is the drilling and production that is taking place in some of

the most unusual places: downtown Fort Worth, underneath Lake Arlington (from land); campus of TCU; underneath Colonial Country Club; and on the land owned by DFW Airport, which happens to be the largest contiguous lease in the Barnett Shale.

Chesapeake Energy (CHK New York Stock Exchange), Oklahoma City, acquired the DFW lease in August 2006 and spudded the first well in May 2007.

"Initial drilling and core analysis yielded better than expected results," Chesapeake said in a November investor presentation. The shale thickness was measured at up to 500 feet thick with announced gross production of 30 million cubic feet equivalent per day (mmcf/d) and net production of 18 mmcf/d from the first 11 wells.

Chesapeake plans to drill 300 to 325 horizontal wells utilizing the

new technology.

Some of that new technology comes from another Okie company, Helmerich & Payne in Tulsa. The FlexRig 4S can drill to a depth range of 6,000-14,000 feet. Unconventional gas is more difficult and less economically sound to extract, usually because the technology to reach it has not been

**Alex Mills**

Columnist



fully developed or is too expensive, according to energy industry officials.

Helmerich & Payne first deployed its FlexRig design in 1998 and built a second generation in 2001. Since then, it has built

about 50 of the first three generations of the design. The FlexRig 4S is the fourth generation of the design and is targeted at the growing market for unconventional gas wells, such as those in the Barnett Shale.

Because the rig has its own set of tracks, or skids, the FlexRig 4S can drill up to 22 horizontal wells from a single location. Horizontal drilling allows companies to drill multiple wells, typically between four and 10, from the same site, which reduces the environmental impact of the drill site. The FlexRig can drill more wells with less noise.

The rig also uses the latest in communications and drilling software, allowing for more automated functions. The FlexRig 4S also uses a hydraulic V-boom lift to raise and lower the drill pipe and casing into place. Most of the pipe is handled mechanically, which

increases the safety of the rig.

Helmerich & Payne officials estimate the rig costs between \$12 million to \$15 million to build, much higher than conventional rigs. While the rig uses fewer roughnecks than older rigs, which lowers the cost to the drilling contractor, those rig workers must undergo 16 days of training by Helmerich & Payne before they can work on the rig.

The development of new technology in the oil and gas industry will keep it competitive for many years to come.

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## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Nov. 19, the 323rd day of 2007. There are 42 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 19, 1863, President Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address as he dedicated a national cemetery at the site of the Civil War battlefield in Pennsylvania.

On this date:

In 1794, the United States and Britain signed Jay's Treaty, which resolved issues left over from the Revolutionary War.

In 1831, the 20th president of the United States, James Garfield, was born in Orange Township, Ohio.

In 1917, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was born in Allahabad.

In 1919, the Senate rejected the Treaty of Versailles by a vote of 55-39, short of the two-thirds majority needed for ratification.

In 1942, during World War II, Russian forces launched their winter offensive against the Germans along the Don front.

In 1959, Ford Motor

Co. announced it was halting production of the unpopular Edsel.

In 1969, Apollo 12 astronauts Charles Conrad and Alan Bean made the second manned landing on the moon.

In 1977, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat became the first Arab leader to visit Israel.

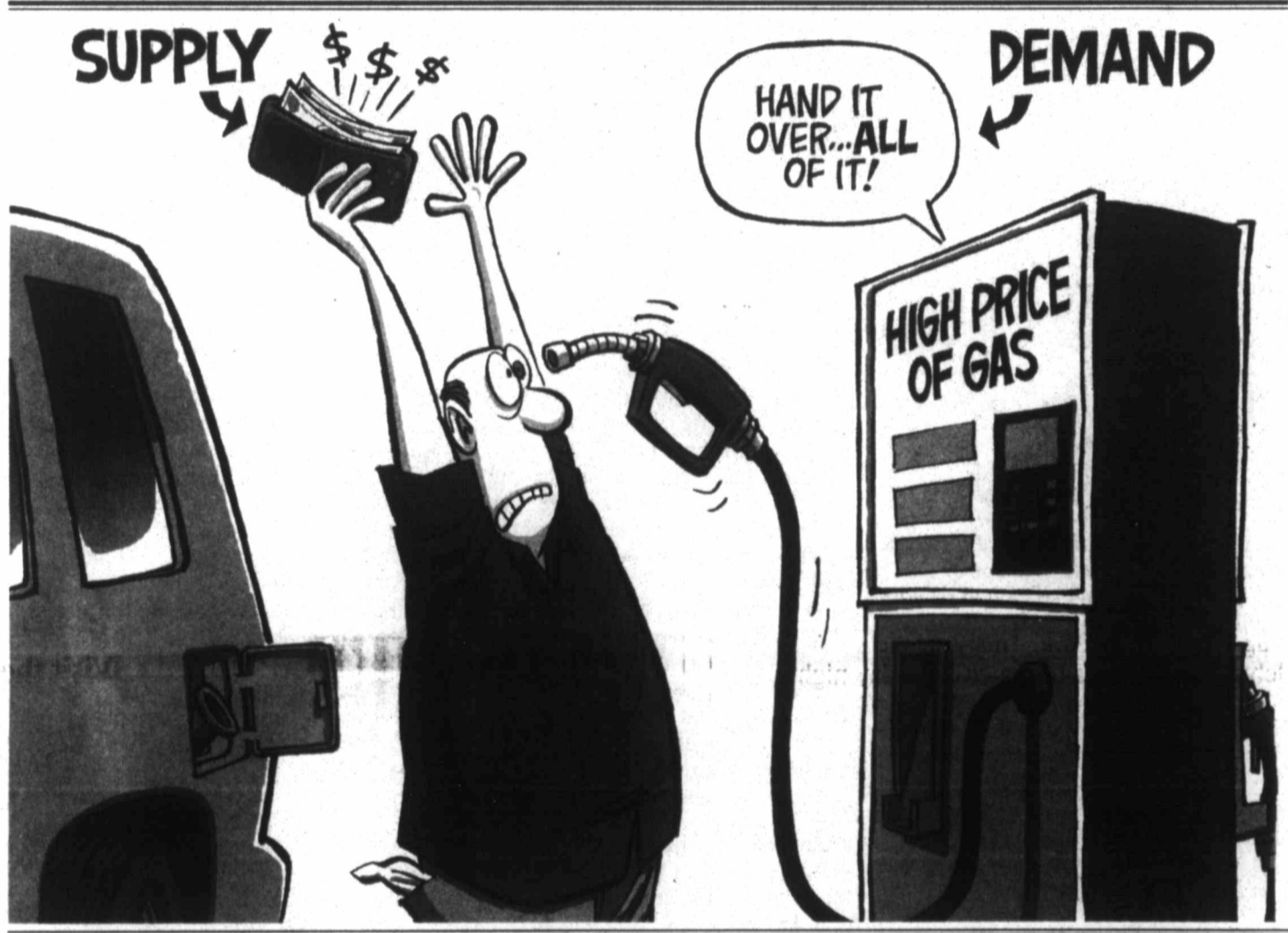
In 1984, some 500 people died in a firestorm set off by a series of explosions at a petroleum storage plant on the edge of Mexico City.

In 1985, President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev met for the first time as they began their summit in Geneva.

Ten years ago: Iowa seamstress Bobbi McCaughey gave birth to septuplets four boys and three girls. The space shuttle Columbia zoomed into orbit on a two-week science mission.

Five years ago: An oil tanker carrying 20 million gallons of fuel oil broke in two and sank in the Atlantic Ocean off northwest Spain. U.N. weapons inspectors wrapped up a two-day visit to Iraq. The Senate voted 90-9 to approve creation of the Department of Homeland Security. Singer Michael Jackson made a public appearance at his Berlin hotel, briefly holding his youngest child, Prince Michael II, over a fourth-floor balcony rail in front of dozens of fans waiting below.

One year ago: British authorities said they were investigating the apparent poisoning of Alexander Litvinenko, a former KGB agent who had been critical of the Russian government (Litvinenko died in London four days later of polonium poisoning). Actor Jeremy Slate died in Los Angeles at age 80.



## Culture in American is in bad shape ...

Oprah Winfrey has discovered that "through an error," her book list was carrying "The Education of Little Tree." She promptly deleted it, which proves that in these sorry times political correctness will always trump literature.

The book, which tells a touching story of a boy raised by his Cherokee grandfather, sold a million copies when it first came out and was praised lavishly by liberal critics, including Ms. Winfrey. After all, it featured two of the favorite things of liberals — a sympathetic portrait of the Native American and a love of nature.

I read the book and liked it, but I was greatly amused by its success and the warm praise for its author, Forrest Carter. He also wrote two other excellent short novels, "Gone to Texas" and "The Vengeance Trail of Josey

Wales." The first of those was the basis of Clint Eastwood's classic Western movie, "The Outlaw Josey Wales."

I was amused to the point of laughing out loud, because I had met the author when he was known as Ace Carter, and Ace was about as far away from being a liberal as you can get. In the 1960s, I worked for an advertising agency that several times lent me out as a speechwriter to various Republican candidates.

When I worked for a Republican congressional candidate in Mississippi, Ace Carter was managing the campaign for one of the Democrats and also cutting

radio spots advertising a fundraiser for some Klansmen who were accused of burning a black man to death. Both of our candidates lost, and I don't know how the fundraiser fared, but at any rate, that was the last I saw of Carter until the "Little Tree" book came out. Despite the change of name, I recognized him and had a great laugh over the gullibility of the liberal critics.

The truth about the author eventually came out, though with no help from me (why spoil such a great joke?), and they all began to choke on their previous words of praise. In their little minds, it's impossible for a man they now called a white

supremacist and a Klansman to write anything worthwhile, even if it did sell a million copies and is still selling.

I don't know if Carter was a white supremacist or a Klansman. I only met him in passing during the congressional campaign. But most people are not as simple as most liberals seem to think. Carter had a brilliant mind, and his literary work speaks for itself. I recommend all of his books. You will find three good stories and no racism. He was part Cherokee. He died in 1979. He may even have died laughing.

The thing to remember is that "The Education of Little Tree" is precisely the exact same book the people who now shun it once praised to the high heavens. I've never

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## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ Nov. 12  
 The Dallas Morning News on the price of oil:

"I am sorry to say this, but we are headed toward really bad days," a prominent energy economist told Time magazine last week. "Lots of targets have been set, but very little has been done. There is a lot of talk and no action."

That was no alarmist talking. It was Fatih Birol, the chief economist for the International Energy Agency, an oil industry organization whose annual World Energy Outlook report is widely considered a reliable indicator of petro-

leum supplies. Released as the price of oil neared \$100 a barrel, the 2007 forecast sent an urgent message to world governments: The days of cheap oil are probably over.

It's not hard to understand why. The current daily supply of oil can barely cover world demand. With China and India rapidly industrializing, the International Energy Agency expects that the planet will require 116 million barrels daily by 2030 an increase of more than 50 percent from today's output to slake its petroleum thirst.

Can increased production meet the expected demand? Depends on whom you talk to. Dallas oil tycoon T. Boone Pickens is one of the petroleum experts who believes that world oil production has peaked. If peak-oilers are right,

there's nowhere for the oil supply to go but down and nowhere but prices to go but up. Others, including the International Energy Agency, believe that the current shortage is critical but manageable with necessary adjustments in both production and consumption, as well as investments in research and development.

The permanent end of cheap oil not only would hit American consumers at the gas pump, but in just about every other way. Our consumer economy, for example, depends on the foreign-made goods shipped inexpensively from overseas manufacturers. The points of potential pain are endless.

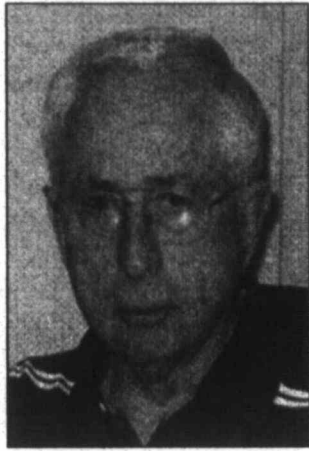
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# Chamber

## Letter from the desk of the executive director

The Chamber's Top O'Texans Gold Coats welcomed Utility Tire and Auto Repair on board as a new business and Chamber member. The new owners, Steve and Ashley Beckham, cut the red ribbon, assisted by their two young daughters.



Pitner

The "Shop Pampa and Win" event officially began Nov. 5. There will be two drawings, each for \$600 Pampa Bucks, on the day of the Christmas Parade, Dec. 8.

The first drawing will be in front of Rheams Diamond Shop after the parade — anticipated to be about 3 p.m. The second drawing will be in front of The Plaza III Restaurant at 5 p.m.

Tickets to enter and to be eligible to win are available at these participating merchants with each purchase: Wayne's Western Wear, Aaron's Sales & Lease, Heard-Jones Health Mart, Texas Furniture, The Coffee Shop, Sears, One Stop Flooring, West Texas Landscape, Franks True Value, United Supermarket, Coney Island, and Peggy's Place.

Speaking of the Christmas Parade, entry forms are available at the Chamber office at 200 N. Ballard. There is no charge to enter and it will only take a few minutes to fill out the form. Deadline for entering is Monday, Dec. 3.

For those who may be new to the area, Pampa has an event each year that brings out the Christmas Spirit in everyone — and draws people from our surrounding area.

The Celebration of Lights is one of the largest and unusual displays of lighted and animated displays in the Panhandle — and you can see it from the comfort of your auto as you drive through Recreation Park. This year the Celebration of Lights began on Saturday night, Nov. 17, and continues through New Year's Eve. No "Bah Humbugs" here!

As we approach the end of another year, I urge you to call or come by the Chamber Office to let us know of upcoming events for your organization, church, school, or club. We receive calls every day asking "What is there to do in Pampa?" We keep a community calendar of all events in order for us to give out accurate information and advertise upcoming events. The Chamber is the most logical place to keep an updated community calendar.

And, to all present and prospective Chamber Members, I (we) welcome your input, by phone, letter, e-mail, or personal visit regarding what we can do to improve YOUR Chamber. I am very proud to be a part of this energetic community — and at the same time I realize there is so much more that could possibly be done to ensure that we have and maintain a competitive edge over other cities our size and exemplary excellence in everything we do.

To be ordinary may please some, but to continuously excel in what we do will instill pride.

Keith Pitner  
Executive Director

## Goldcoating at Utility Tire & Auto Repair



Courtesy photo

Owners Steve and Ashlee Beckham with their daughters Raegan and Reese, and employees Janella Hall and Aaron Cochran. Goldcoats are Bob Marx, Sheila Webb, John Warner, Darville Orr, Mike Keagy, Charles Henry, Chuck White, Jerry Foote, Gladys Vanderpool and Roy Morriss.

**Chamber Luncheon November 20th at 11:45 a.m. in the M.K. Brown room at the Chamber building. Jason Pooley with Smithfield Premium Genetics will be speaking. The menu will include beef and chicken enchiladas, rice, beans, salad and chips & salsa provided by The Plaza III. Public is welcome, cost is \$8 a person. Door prize will be given away, must be present to win. Please RSVP at 669-3241 or e-mail [harvest@pampachamber.com](mailto:harvest@pampachamber.com).**



## Pampa Night at the Amarillo Gorillas!!!

January 12  
Come join us for an evening of fun and excitement.  
Pick up your tickets at the Chamber office.  
Cost is \$10 a ticket.  
The Chamber gets \$5 per ticket.  
During the night they will announce Pampa over the PA.  
The Gorillas will host the Odessa Jackolopes.  
Game starts at 7 p.m.  
doors will open at 6 p.m.  
For more information contact the Chamber at 669-3241.

## SHOP PAMPA & WIN

Need some extra Christmas money?  
Two lucky people will win \$600 in Pampa Bucks.  
Shop at any of the following businesses  
Nov 5 through Dec 7  
to receive your drawing tickets.  
Visit the participating businesses for details on how to receive drawing tickets.  
Then, bring your tickets to the drawings on Dec 8.  
The first drawing is in front of Rheams Diamond Shop following the Christmas parade and the second drawing is in front of The Plaza III at 5:00 p.m.  
**YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!**  
Participating businesses:  
Wayne's Western Wear \* Aaron's Sales & Lease  
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## 2007 Christmas Parade

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Line up of floats starts at 1:00 P.M.



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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** Several months ago, my 35-year-old sister met a man online. After corresponding (via telephone and e-mail) for about two weeks, she moved two states away to move in with him. She never saw a picture of him and had never met him in person before she moved to be with him. This man — I believe he's 45 — now wants to communicate with my 14-year-old daughter. He tries to chat with her online and doesn't understand why I think it is inappropriate. He says he's "family" now, and I am being overprotective. Abby, am I being overprotective of my daughter? I have never met or spoken to this man and feel he has no right to communicate with my daughter. Please help. — **LOSING IT IN MONROE, LA.**

**DEAR LOSING IT:** It's your duty as a parent to protect your minor child from perceived danger. You sister's friend is acting like a pedophile and a stalker. He isn't "family," and objecting to your daughter being approached by a stranger is not being overprotective. Since you don't know his background, contact the police department in the city in which he lives and ask if he has a record. Then Google him to find out if there's any information about him online. And, above all, warn your daughter not to trust him because, from your description, the man could be dangerous.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been seeing a very nice man for about four months. He lives with his 23-year-old daughter. He loves when I cook for him, and when he asks me to cook I do it because I enjoy it as a creative outlet. But every time I make a dish, his daughter comes along and adds things to it. I was making Sunday gravy, and she added something to that. Another time, I

was making pasta primavera, and she poured a can of beans into it. I am a very good cook, Abby. I do not need any help in the kitchen. How can I stop her from adding things to the meals I am cooking? — **FRUSTRATED IN FLORIDA**

**DEAR FRUSTRATED:** The least confrontational way to accomplish it would be to cook for her father at YOUR house.

**DEAR ABBY:** Would you allow me to add to your letters sharing acts of kindness? My husband was deployed to Iraq for a year. Close to the time of his return, I went to some businesses in our community to ask if they would put welcome home messages in their windows or on their marquees. The responses I got were incredible! An eye doctor even offered to give our family free eye exams and glasses/contacts if they were needed. A chiropractor offered to give my husband a free adjustment. I was overwhelmed with the support my family was given, as was my husband when, on the drive home, he saw message after message of support and welcome. It was touching to see that the sacrifices he, and we as a family, made were appreciated by our community. — **THANKFUL AND INSPIRED, ROSWELL, GA.**

**DEAR THANKFUL AND INSPIRED:** Your letter touched my heart, not only for the sacrifices your husband and family have made in the line of duty, but also because of the spirit displayed by the members of the business community in your city. We all owe a debt of gratitude to the brave young men and women who serve in our armed forces, and it is one that should never be forgotten.

## For Better Or For Worse



## Zits



## Garfield



## Beetle Bailey



## Marvin



## Crossword Puzzle

### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

#### ACROSS

1 Brainy time

6 Flower part

10 Less colorful

11 Cockpit worker

13 Battery end

14 Without in the world

15 Brazilian resort

16 Fourth-yr. students

18 Drunk

19 Item from a book

22 Pub pints

23 Paella base

24 Slip

27 Home design

28 Reed instrument

29 Fellow

30 Contest between real foes

35 First mo.

36 As done by

37 Anger

38 — Ababa

40 Arrived

42 Convenes

43 TV's DeGeneres

#### DOWN

1 Ship poles

2 Craze

3 Standoff-ish

4 Cardinal

12 Tie up

17 Bread support

6 Involuntary contraction

7 Involuntary contraction

8 Waistband stuff

9 Algeria neighbor

12 Tie up

17 Bread choice

20 Moved slowly

21 Sports spot

24 Impasse

25 Rubbed

26 Beat

27 Lawsuit award

29 Singer

31 Torment

32 Cover words

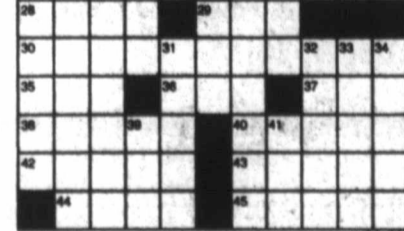
33 Wept

34 Comic Young-man

38 Give rest!

41 Bullfight cheer

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## Hagar The Horrible



## Peanuts



## Blondie



## Flo & Friends



# Sports

## Triple Coverage



Pampa News photo by JORDAN REAGAN  
**Pampa's Alex Clendening (second from right) is blocked in by three of Canyon's players on defense late in the third quarter of Friday night's game in Canyon. The varsity boys won their game against Canyon, 63-54. The Harvesters will play again Tuesday against the Borger Bulldogs at McNeely Field House in Pampa. The varsity girls will start at 6 p.m. and the boys will follow at 7 p.m.**

## Hidden Hills results

Seniors Scramble  
 Hidden Hills  
 Golf Course  
 Nov. 16, 2007

**1st Place (63)**  
 D. Adams  
 C. Byrum  
 O. Sargent  
 B. Brown

**2nd Place (63)**  
 J. Cantrell  
 J. Gentry  
 B. Epperson

**3rd Place (64)**  
 O.K. Lee  
 J. Mabry  
 N. Lancaster  
 C. Lacy

**4th Place (64)**  
 E. Maxwell  
 B. Young  
 W. Haynes

**Cloest to the Pin**  
 Waldon Haynes (#8)  
 Darrell Hinkle (#12)

## Abrams scores 30 points, leads No. 16 Texas over Arkansas-Monticello

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A.J. Abrams kept getting open for 3-pointers. So he kept putting them up and they kept falling in.

The Big 12-record holder for 3-pointers in a season hit eight on his way to a career-high 30 points Sunday, leading No. 16 Texas to an easy 100-52 win over Division II Arkansas-Monticello.

"It was there and I was stroking pretty good tonight," Abrams said. "I feel every time I shoot it, it has a chance to go in. The basket did look pretty open tonight."

It wasn't just Abrams hitting from long range. Texas (3-0) hit 16 3-pointers, two shy of the school record, in the rout. The Longhorns led by 38 at halftime, and by 50 early in the second half.

Arkansas-Monticello (0-2) was completely over-matched, shooting just 3-of-

33 in the first half. The Boll Weevils scored 11 points in the half, the fewest allowed by Texas since 1949. Justin Johnson led Arkansas-Monticello with 18 points, all in the second half.

Texas played the Boll Weevils as part of the StubHub Legends Classic. After three blowout wins to begin the season, the Longhorns' schedule gets tougher in the next round next week in Newark, N.J. They play New Mexico State on Friday and then either West Virginia or No. 7 Tennessee.

"The competition will be a little bit different," Texas coach Rick Barnes said.

The Longhorns have held their first three opponents to 30 percent shooting or less.

"We came out playing defense," Texas' forward Damion James said. "That's what we hang our hat on."

## Owens' 4 TDs snap Cowboys out of early funk, carry them past Redskins 28-23

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Terrell Owens ran off the field cradling a ball under his arm: the one he batted down in the end zone to end the game, not one of the four he caught for touchdowns.

Even after his four-TD performance that tied a Dallas Cowboys record, T.O. wasn't finished with career firsts.

Owens was again in the end zone on the last play of the game Sunday, as a defender knocking down Jason Campbell's desperation final throw. That preserved the Cowboys' 28-23 victory over the Washington Redskins.

"They told me not to let anyone get behind me, knock the ball down. I wasn't going to risk that situation trying to do anything stupid," Owens said. "Interceptions are really not going to do me any good. I'm not going to try to break any records."

While not the first time Owens has played defense in half-ending situations, it was the first time in his 12 seasons that he has been statistically credited with a pass defended.

But Owens will get his records catching passes from his own quarterback, like the TDs of 4, 31, 46 and 52 yards

from Tony Romo that accounted for all the scoring the Cowboys needed to get to 9-1 for the first time since 1983. T.O. moved to No. 3 on the career list with 126 TDs, three more than Indianapolis' Marvin Harrison.

"This is one of the greatest games, really, that I feel like I've played in," said Owens, who finished with eight catches for 173 yards. "Just really me coming through in the clutch."

The only other Dallas receiver to have a four-TD game was Bob Hayes in 1970.

## Bills TE Everett released from Houston rehab

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Bills tight end Kevin Everett has been released from a Houston hospital to resume his next phase of rehab, 10 weeks since sustaining a severe spinal cord injury.

"While this news is a significant milestone for me, I still have a long journey to full recovery," Everett said in a statement released Sunday by Houston's Memorial Hermann/TIRR, where the player spent the past two months in rehab.

It was unclear when this week he was released, but Everett will continue his rehab at the facility as an outpatient.

"I was fortunate to meet many extraordinary people at Memorial Hermann/TIRR, many who have suffered the same or similar injury as myself, many of whom I now consider friends," Everett said. "Their courage and determination inspired me to fight every day for my ability to walk."

Everett returned to his home in Houston in time to watch the Bills (5-4) host the New England Patriots (9-0) on Sunday night.

Everett was hurt while covering a kickoff in Buffalo's season opener against Denver on Sept. 9. He has made significant progress since he was carried off the field paralyzed from the neck down, and after doctors initially feared he'd never walk again.

### ATTENTION FOOTBALL SENIOR PARENTS

2007 football season has come to a close but there are several details and dates coming up that we are asking you to make note of in your calendar.

•Football banquet is set for Wednesday, January 9th at MK Brown. If you would like for your senior player, trainer or video tech to be a part of the video you will need to turn in three photographs (NOT INCLUDING THE BLUNCKS PICTURE) to the athletic office no later than Wednesday, Dec. 19. Ed Copeland has graciously volunteered to create the video.

•YARD SIGNS: All varsity players need to turn in their yard signs to Coach Cavalier ASAP. Seniors may purchase their signs for \$25. Anyone not turning in their sign will be billed \$25.

•Booster parents plan to decorate for the football banquet on Tuesday, Jan. 8. This banquet is especially for the seniors; therefore, we strongly encourage senior parents to help decorate and clean up.

If you have any questions you may call Johnny and Cheryl Malone.

Thanks so much,  
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 Friday November 23rd • Games begin at 2pm  
 Saturday November 24th • Games begin at 9am  
**Championship Game at 7:30pm**  
**Adults • \$5 Students • \$4 Children under 5 • free**  
 Proceeds benefit the Texas Lions Camp

Teams will include: Pampa • Caprock • Tascosa • El Paso Bowie  
 Ft Worth Poly • San Angelo Central • Alvarado • Lubbock Estacado

## Lefors Pirates

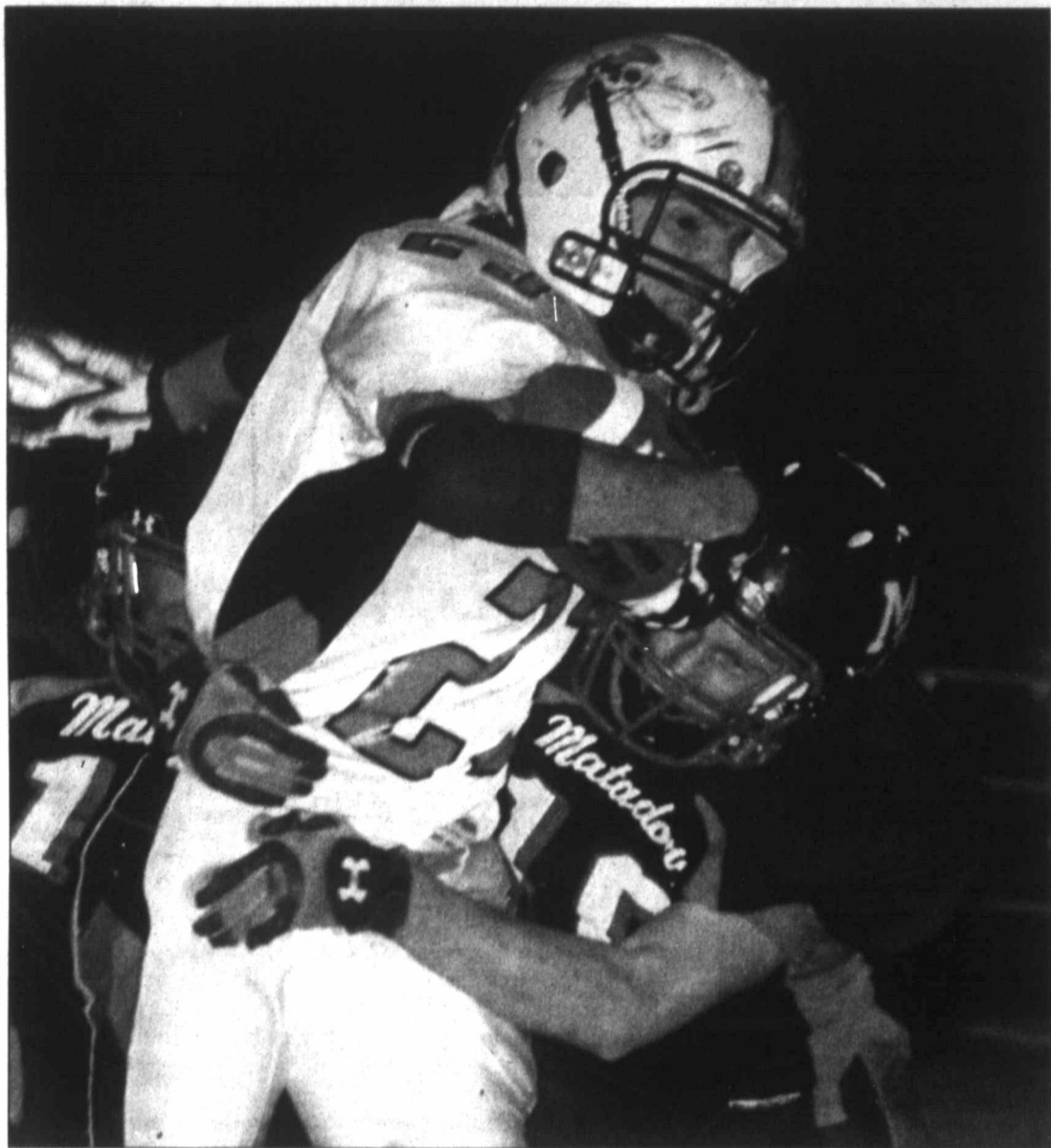


Photo by LENDI JACKSON  
Cameron Klein carries the ball for Lefors during Friday's bi-district game against Motley County. Lefors was defeated 58-8.

## Michigan coach Lloyd Carr retires after 13 seasons leading Wolverines

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Lloyd Carr retired Monday after 13 years as Michigan's coach, following a season defined by a startling loss to Appalachian State and yet another defeat by Ohio State.

Carr, groomed for the position by Michigan coaching great Bo Schembechler, led the Wolverines to 121 wins, five Big Ten titles and a national championship.

"On this week of Thanksgiving no one has more to be thankful for than I do," Carr said at a news conference.

The departure by the 62-year-old Carr opens a job at the nation's winningest football program. Les Miles, the coach at No. 1 LSU, seems to be at the top of the list of potential successors. He played for Schembechler at Michigan, where he met his wife and later became an assistant.

Carr said he hopes that whoever follows him will continue the long Michigan tradition of winning "with integrity."

"That's what we want to do," he said. "In the big picture the character of this institution will be defined by the way this program is run, and that really is what Michigan is about and what I hope will always be about."

Carr said it will be up to athletic director Bill Martin to decide what role, if any, he will have in choosing the next coach.

Carr told his players and staff he was leaving Sunday during a team meeting at Schembechler Hall.

"It was emotional," safety Jamar Adams said. "My eyes welled up."

The move was not a surprise. Last winter, Carr altered his contract to pave the way for this to be his last season and later made sure the school gave his assistants unprecedented two-year deals.

At his news conference, he joked about speculation that he is tired.

"I'm not tired," he said. "I may look tired, but I still have a great passion for the game, for the players and for the competition. But I also know that there are some things that I don't have anymore, and so it's time. That's all I can say to you."

Even though Miles appears in a great situation leading the Tigers in a talent-rich area, the school was concerned enough about him bolting for Michigan that it put a specific clause in his contract to make it an expensive move.

## Houston Dynamo downs New England Revolution in 2nd straight MLS Cup

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Houston Dynamo players ran and jumped around, drinking beer and spraying champagne, while large sheets of plastic protected the items in their lockers from another MLS Cup celebration.

A short walk away, down the hall at RFK Stadium, the New England Revolution players spoke softly and glumly, sitting or standing in their lockers, absorbing another MLS Cup setback.

Both teams know the drill well.

Houston won, just like last year.

New England lost, just like last year. And the year before that. And a couple of years before that, too.

Dwayne De Rosario assisted on the tying score and netted the go-ahead goal Sunday, earning MVP honors and leading the Dynamo to a 2-1 victory over the Revolution in a rematch of last season's MLS Cup.

Houston, which beat New England in a shootout a year ago, is the first club to win consecutive league titles since D.C. United did in 1996-97.

"This one is more special," De Rosario said, "because we're the second team now to go back-to-back."

If he was able to choose between championships, New England's coach and players couldn't exactly find a way to distinguish one disappointment from another.

"They're all hard to swallow," said Steve Ralston, who set up the Revolution's goal.

Much like the NFL's

Buffalo Bills, who lost four Super Bowls in a row in the 1990s, the Revolution are good enough to keep getting to the final game of the season — but not quite good enough to win it.

They have lost the past three MLS Cups and four of the past six, and they are still awaiting their first championship. In 2002 and 2005, defeat came in overtime. Last year, penalty kicks. This time, in regulation, after blowing a 1-0 lead.

AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

11-19 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Saturday's Cryptquote: IF WE KNEW BEFOREHAND WHERE WE WERE GOING TO FALL, WE COULD LAY DOWN A CARPET.  
— RUSSIAN PROVERB

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007.

Expect a lot of excitement as this year unfolds. Know that events and people change, allowing others room for growth and evolution. You too will grow. Your transformation could stun you. Often, you might wonder if a radical or swift change could make a difference. You move quickly at times. Pressure to please others often builds. If you are single, you will meet people easily. You often might feel tested by the person you are interested in. Make no major commitments, and take your time getting to know someone. If you are attached, you might inadvertently test each other's limits. ARIES can test your limits.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You perk up and feel as if there is no tomorrow. You find out that more information casts a different light on a situation. Listen to what is being shared. Pressure builds in an unprecedented manner. Tonight: It's your choice.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Take your time before you leap into action. You know what you want. The issue might be simply one of staying out of trouble. Can you and will you? More than anything else, the answer is one of self-discipline. Tonight: Easy does it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Say what you think and stay on top of a situation. Your vision of what works could be much different when put

into practice. Friends give you a lot of feedback. Stop and back up. Do listen. You hear a lot of different opinions. Tonight: Where the action is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You might be more in control than you realize. How you express your willingness to do something new or change your style might be more important than you think. Pressure builds to an unprecedented level. Tonight: A must appearance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Reach out for someone you consider to be an expert. Though you are a risk-taker, a gamble is a bad idea right now. Play it conservatively, and you will be a lot happier as a result. A child or loved one is difficult. Tonight: Now go for fun and games.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Deal with others on an individual level, and you'll experience greater success. You might want to revise your attitude about a family member because of what comes out. Sometimes what you don't know does hurt you. Tonight: Lighten up your mood, and others' as well.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You might need to approach a situation differently. Take your cues from others, especially if you are able to detach. How you see a situation could change radically as a result. You know what you want. Tonight: Listen rather than act.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Work with individuals, and you'll get results. Your sense of humor proves to be most helpful. Listen and think before reacting. You might feel

inordinately pressured; let go and relax. Tonight: Be a duo.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Though you might not intend to cause a hassle, you very easily could out of the blue. While others wonder about your behavior, you keep trying and adapting. You might be well advised to stop and explain. Tonight: Treat yourself. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You might not be ready to reverse gears quickly. Make adjustments if need be. Loosen up and enjoy the company that surrounds you. Basics and values come into play this very special week. Tonight: Happy to be at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might not be able to prevent yourself from speaking your mind. If you say what you think, you could surprise many. A friend could be acting strangely. Think about what is going on more carefully. Visualize being this person. Tonight: Hanging out is fun.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

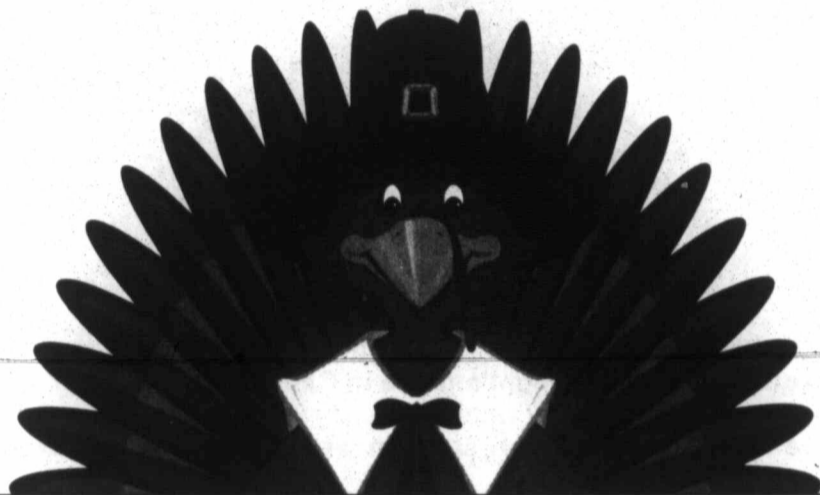
★★★★ Be honest about some of the pressure you are feeling. There might be a lot going on around you that you cannot control. Stay steady and even, and take good care of yourself. Allow greater give-and-take with a special partner. Tonight: Indulge just a little.

BORN TODAY

Actress Bo Derek (1956), politician Robert F. Kennedy (1925), comedian Dick Smothers (1939)

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## Reese

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cared a lot about the lives of authors, because a person's work is what counts. William Faulkner was a surly drunk, but that doesn't detract from his literary talent. Neither does Ace's background detract from his literary work. A lot of artists accomplish great things

despite their shortcomings. Ace was an orphan with no formal education and did all kinds of odd jobs to keep bread on the table. He had definitely rejected the politically correct and conventional political views. But so what? The man wrote good stories, and a good story is all anyone has a right to expect from a writer.

Our culture, if you can call it that, is in sad shape

today because so many people seem to think they must conform to the prevailing prejudices. So many of them run around sticking labels on people and things, they miss life altogether. As the Buddhists say, such people are born drunk and die dreaming.

—Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.

## Oil

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resource wars over dwindling supplies of a substance that no modern country can do without. Now is the time to quit

talking and start acting. Thoughtful Americans know that we can't keep living like this forever. Our nation must start investing heavily in public transportation, domestic drilling and research into renewable energy sources and clean-coal technology.

Whether the world supply of oil has absolutely peaked or is not rising to meet demand because of human folly, there's going to be a lot less of the black stuff around in the near future. And that's going to hurt. URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com>



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