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City updates animal control fines, fees

BY BETSY PHILLIPS editor@thepampanews.com

The City of Pampa Commissioners adopted an ordinance Tuesday, revising fees and fines for pampa animal control for the first time in more than 20 years. The fees for impounding unsterilized animals will now be more than if the pet is spayed or neutered.

The ordinance states that when a dog or cat is found running at large and ownership can be verified by animal control, animal control officers may exercise the option of serving the owner with a cita-

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tion and/or impound the animal. That fine may be:

· First impoundment in the preceding 12 months is \$15, \$25 if the not sterilized. Second impoundment during.

\$50 if not sterilized. · For each impoundment after

the preceding 12 months is \$30,

the second during the preceding 12 months the fine will be \$60, \$100 if the animal is not sterilized.

City officials hope imposing these fines will cut down on the number of "repeat offender" calls answered by animal control offi-

UPDATES cont. on page 3

No cell phones in school

zones

editor@thepampanews.com With the start of the school year August 24, a new state law will be in

BY BETSY PHILLIPS

effect that prohibits cell phone use in a school zone. HB 55 was signed into law after the 81st legislative session and Pampa drivers need to be aware of where they are when talking on their cell phones

while driving. Interim Police Chief Donny Brown presented information of the new law to city commissioners during the commission's regular meeting Tuesday

Brown said the bill is in two parts. HB 55 makes it illegal to use a wireless communication device in a school zone unless the vehicle is stopped or a hands-free device is used. Cities or counties wanting to enforce this law must post a sign at the beginning of each school zone to inform driv-

NEW LAWS cont. on page 3

Pampa police officers and firefighters responded to the 900 block of Duncan Tuesday just before 5 p.m., to what was reported as a one-car crash. There appeared to be damage to both

staff photo by Randy Pribble

sides of the bridge and to the vehicle, but no serious injuries. Disabled Dallas A fleeting flood of color

woman rescued

DALLAS (AP) - Police say a developmentally disabled woman who was rescued from the back of a padlocked box truck had been beaten and left there for more than an hour in 100-degree heat.

Latisha Morris, 21, of Dallas, was dehydrated and suffering from heat exhaustion when police and fire-rescue workers found her Monday afternoon, according to police. An ambulance took her to **Baylor University Medical** Center at Dallas, where she was treated and released, The Dallas Morning News

reported Tuesday. Rescuers found her in a big white box truck. They had to break in because the truck's rear sliding door

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will go on sale Saturday,

Aug. 15. Sportsmen are

reminded all current Texas

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ing licenses (except for

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license) expire Aug. 31.

was padlocked and had been hammered shut with

at least 10 nails. According to police, Harvey Ray Moss, 50, locked Morris in the truck with fresh wounds from what appeared to be his initials carved into her flesh.

Morris told The Dallas Morning News that Moss sometimes locked her in the truck as punishment. The newspaper said she and Moss had been in a

sexual relationship. Online records show Moss was being held in the Dallas County Jail on Tuesday in lieu of \$50,000 bail on charges of injury to a disabled person and assault. Officials at the jail did not know whether he RESCUE cont. on page 3

staff photo by Randy Pribble

A brief thundershower south of Pampa Monday evening left the area still wanting some rain, but enjoying a glorious sunset. Just minutes before this photo was taken, the sun created a quickly fading double rainbow in the southeast sky.

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and the saltwater fishing \$68. There is no increase in price for any of the package is \$35. Effective Sept. 1, the required stamp endorsements or the \$48 Annual Public Hunting permit.

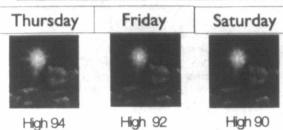
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Low 68

Low 69

Thursday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 94. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. South southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 90. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of shoers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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Sotomayor note her ascendancy to high court

WASHINGTON (AP) -President Barack Obama rejoiced Wednesday in the ascendancy of Sonia Sotomayor to the Supreme Court, saying her achievement will be an inspiration for generations.

When Justice Sotomayor put her hand on that Bible and took that oath ... we came yet another step to the more perfect union that we all seek," Obama told a White House reception.

The ceremony was packed with family and friends of Sotomayor, who has become the first Hispanic and third woman in the Supreme Court's 220-year history. Lawmakers, issue advocates, Hispanic commuleaders and others nity who helped shepherd her confirmation through the Senate also watched jubilantly as she appeared with the president for remarks.

While this is Justice Sotomayor's achievement, the result of her ability and determination," Obama said, "this moment is not just about her. It's about every child who will grow up thinking to him- or herself, 'If Sonia Sotomayor can make it, then maybe I can too.'

Following Obama at the lectern, Sotomayor spoke, emotionally about how she persevered through a modest background and difficult young life to propel herself to the highest court in the land. She grew up in public housing projects in South Bronx, N.Y., before getting an Ivy League education and starting her legal career.

"It is our nation's faith in a more perfect union that allows a Puerto Rican girl from the Bronx to stand here now," she said, a line that earned her huge applause and a standing ovation from the audience. "I am struck again today

by the wonder of my own life and the life we in America are so privileged to lead," Sotomayor said. "I am deeply humbled by the sacred responsibility of upholding our laws and safeguarding the rights and freedoms set forth in our Constitution. I ask not just my family and friends, but I ask all Americans to wish me divine guidance and wisdom in administering my new office."

Two fellow members of the Supreme Court Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and John Paul - attended the Stevens event. Obama joked that they and their colleagues were surely ready to give Sotomayor "some good

Sotomayor was sworn in over the weekend. She was a federal judge for 17 years before Obama nominated her in May to replace retired Justice David Souter. The president and his wife, Michelle, hosted a White House reception

after the remarks. Obama didn't attend her Saturday swearing-in at the Supreme Court, administered by Chief Justice John Roberts, out of what aides said was deference to the court's independence.

Obituaries

Francie Summers Adcock, 45

Francie Summers Adcock, passed away on August 10, 2009 in Round Rock, Texas at the age of 45. Francie was born on December 23, 1963 in Brownfield, Texas.

She earned her Bachelor of Psychology degree from West Texas A&M. After graduating she became a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor, working for over two decades focusing on helping teenagers.

On August 6, 1983 she married Zachary Carl Adcock in Lubbock. She was devoted to her family and enjoyed taking them to their sports activities. Francie enjoyed reading, singing, and listening to music especially country. She was a wonderful wife, mother, daughter, sister, and friend and will greatly be missed by those who knew her.

She is preceded in death by her grandparents, Frances and Bill Ramage. Surviving Francie is

her husband of 26 years, Zachary Carl Adcock; their daughter, Audrey Adcock; their son, Drayson

Adcock; mother, Teena Gillham Bell; father, Issac Clayton Summers; sisters, Denise Stumph and Letrice Haggard; brothers, Chad Summers and Brant Summers; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Buena and Carl Adcock; and a host of nieces, nephews and other family members.

A visitation will be held Thursday, August 13, 2009 from 6:00-8:00PM, at Cook-Walden Capital Parks Funeral Home, 14501 NIH 35, Plugerville, Tx. Funeral Services will be held Friday, August 14,

2009 at 10:00AM at the funeral home with interment to follow at Cook-Walden Memorial Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Susan G. Komen for the Cure, Attn: Management Gift Services,5005 Freeway, Suite 250, Dallas, TX 75244.

Please visit www.mem. com for an online tribute of Francie's life.

Paul Simmons, 74

Paul Canyon— Simmons, August 11, 2009, Amarillo, Texas.

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

Visitation will be from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, August 13, at Chamichael-Whatley Funeral Home in Pampa. Simmons was Mr.

born November 26, 1934 in Ochiltree County. He moved to Pampa in 1945

Miami — Guy T. Smith,

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75, died August 11, 2009,

in Miami, Texas.

and attended Pampa schools, graduating from Pampa High School in 1953. He attended West Texas State University in Canyon. Paul married Ione Martin on August 9, 1956 in Perryton. He worked alongside his father Simmons Business Services in Pampa for 30 years. For the last year and a half, he was a greeter at WalMart in Canyon. Paul was a longtime member

after moving to Canyon in 2005, became a member of Paramount Baptist Church of Amarillo. He was a former member of the Pampa Independent School District Board of Trustees and was chairman of the Gray County Republican Party for many years. Paul was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean Conflict. Survivors include his wife, Ione Simmons of the

home; daughter, Vondel Stevens and husband

March 15, 1934 in Missouri. Transportation for about

He had been a resident of Miami since 1955. He married Sue Chase at Hopkins, and she preceded him in death on February 13, 1999. He worked Mr. Smith was born for Texas Department of

25 years as a section fore-

wife Tara of Nashville, Tennessee, and Monty

Scott of Canyon; son, E. P. Simmons of Amarillo; grandson, Timothy Stevens and wife Alyssa of Amarillo. Paul was preceded in death by his parents, Edwin and Anabel Simmons.

MEMORIALS: Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, Texas 79066-0621, or Paramount Baptist Church, 3801 S. Western, Amarillo, Texas 79109. Sign the on-line register

at www.carmichael-whatley.com

. Smith,

and deacon of First Baptist

Church of Pampa and

Survivors include three sons, Danny Smith of Pampa, Randy Smith and

Smith of Miami; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Sign the on-line register at www.carmichael-whatlev.com

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department personnel responded to the following calls between 7 a.m. Tuesday, August 11 and 7 a.m. Wednesday, August 12.

4:52 p.m.— One unit and three personnel responded to a motor vehicle accident in the 800 block of Duncan. Wednesday

6:44 a.m.- Two units and six personnel responded to the 1400 block of N. Hobart on a fire alarm.

SHERIFF

There were no bookings yesterday at the Gray County Jail.

PAMPA PD

Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Tuesday, August 11 to 7 a.m. Wednesday, August

Monday Animal Control Officers responded to 20 calls or stops.

Pampa Police Officers made 5 traffic stops, had 7 ongoing investigations, and responded to 2 requests for information.

A prowler was reported in the 700 block of N. Nadia Street.

A burglary was reported in the 1700 block of N. Hobart-Street.

A suspicious person was reported in the 800 block of S. Hobart Street. A civil matter was report-

ed in the 500 block of N. Lowry Street. A traffic complaint was taken in the 1200 block of

S. Wilcox Street. Lost property was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue. A 2004 Chevy pickup, lost pre-

scription meds. Theft was reported in the 1100 block of S. Varnon

A traffic complaint was taken in the 17th and Russell intersection.

An accident was reported in the Foster/Somerville intersection.

A traffic complaint was Hobart Street. taken in the 100 block of E.

Harvester Avenue. A traffic complaint was taken in the Kentucky/ Hobart intersection. A stray animal was

reported in the 400 block of N. Russell Street. Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of

W. Kingsmill Avenue. A civil matter was report-

ed in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue. An assault was report-

ed in the 700 block of Somerville. Minor injuries was reported. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 900 block of S. Hobart Street. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 800 block of N. Lefors Street. 2004 Chevy Pickup was hit with golf club. A traffic complaint was

taken in the 600 block of N. Red Deer Street. Theft was reported in

the 1200 block of Garland Criminal mischief was

reported in the 1000 block of Twiford. A 1994 Ford Explorer's windshield was busted. Estimated cost of damage is \$350.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of N. Starkweather Street. A welfare check was

made in the 1300 block of E. Kingsmill Avenue.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1200 block of S. Dwight. A window screen was torn. A prowler was reported in

the 1000 block of S. Nelson An alarm was reported in the 2200 block of N. Hobart

A suspicious person was reported in the 900 block of

S. Gray Street. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 500 block of Hughes Street.

A suspicious person was reported in the Foster/Marie intersection.

A suspicious person was reported in the 500 block of E. Francis Avenue. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 1000 block of N. Wells Street. A fire alarm was reported

in the 1400 block of N.

AMBULANCE Guardian EMS responded to the following calls

during the period between a.m.Tuesday, August 11 to 7 a.m. Wednesday, August 12. Tuesday

8:56 a.m.—An MICU unit responded to the 1300 block of W. Kentucky, transported one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center

10:10 a.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 2900 block of Rosewood, transported one patient to PRMC.

12:50 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 1200 block of N. Wells, transported one patient to PRMC.

3:43 p.m.— An MICU

unit responded to PRMC, transported one patient to the 1200 block of N. Wells.

2:54 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the Duncan/Red Deer Creek intersection, no transport.

9:30 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Seneca, transported one patient to PRMC.

11:06 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the local nursing facility, transported one patient to PRMC.

10:50 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the 1900 block of Helton Road, transported one patient to PRMC.

Wednesday 5:30 a.m.— An MICU unit responded to PRMC, transported on patient Northwest Texas

Healthcare.

Delta, US Airways swapping slots

ATLANTA (AP) — The sudden flurry of airlines swapping takeoff and landing slots at Washington and New York area airports continued Wednesday with Delta and US Airways striking a deal similar to one between AirTran and Continental disclosed the day before.

The carriers will get more bang for the buck in congested areas where slot access is limited and where they face increased competition from Southwest Airlines, which has a knack for bringing lower fares to new markets it serves.

They also will be able to serve destinations where they believe they can be more profitable than routes where they are cutting service, all at a time when weak demand for air travel has shed billions of dollars in revenue from airlines' balance sheets.

"In any industry, you want to do what you do best," said airline and travel consultant Bob Harrell.

Another airline consultant, Darryl Jenkins, said the deals appear to be good for all the airlines involved.

He noted that new slots at

the airports involved are hard to come by. There's no consensus on what will happen to fares as a result, but experts agree that passengers in general should not be affected much.

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Funding stalls putting Guard soldiers on border

WASHINGTON (AP) A proposed government plan to use National Guard troops to help stem Mexican drug violence along the southern border is stymied by disagreements over who will pay for the soldiers and how they would be used.

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Ordered by President Barack Obama in June to help secure the border with Mexico, the Pentagon and Department of Homeland Security drafted a \$225 million program to temporarily deploy 1,500 Guard troops to supplement U.S. Border Patrol agents.

The two agencies are wrangling over how to structure the deployment, but the primary sticking point is the money, according to senior administration officials who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal deliberations.

The funding stalemate lingers even after Obama renewed his commitment to Mexican officials on Monday to reinforce the border and to help Mexico battle the drug cartels. Fierce battles between Mexican law enforcement and the cartels have left as many as 11,000 people

about violence spilling into

the U.S. "The United States," Obama said during a news conference in Mexico Monday, "will also meet its responsibilities by continuing our efforts to reduce the demand for drugs and continuing to strengthening the security of our shared border — not only to protect the American people, but to stem the illegal southbound flow of American guns and cash that helps fuel this extraordinary vio-

lence." Meanwhile, state leaders are getting antsy

Texas Gov. Rick Perry is still waiting for a response to his request for 1,000 more troops, his spokeswoman Katherine Cesinger said Tuesday.

"For too long the border has gone without the adequate resources to secure it," Cesinger said. "It's a federal responsibility but a Texas problem."

Early drafts of the Pentagon's plan revealed Defense would seek reimbursement for its costs of the program, which is slated to last just one year, giving U.S. Border Patrol time to build up its force

The Department of Homeland Security, which expects to get roughly \$44 billion in its overall 2010 budget compared to the Pentagon's \$636 billion is also reluctant to bear the costs of the proposed program.

Military officials have also balked at having a highly visible uniformed presence at border cross-

One administration official said an initial Pentagon draft was nixed by Defense Secretary Robert Gates because it suggested that Guard troops could be used to help screen commercial vehicles at the border.

Defense leaders have been insistent that the U.S. avoid any appearance of militarizing the border, and they are opposed to using the soldiers at border entry points to openly inspect vehicles.

Defense officials have been uneasy about the Guard plan from the onset, insisting that the effort be temporary and not tied to any existing program that could end up being extended or made permanent.

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the average range (for fees) of other cities in the region. We hope the increased fines for multiple impounds will encourage residents to confine their pets for the safety of all our citizens."

Updates

If the animal is impounded, there will also be a daily handling fee and the cost of a rabies vaccination (if needed) in addition to the fine. The daily boarding fee is \$8.

Adoption fees for cats

Rescue

had an attorney.

A relative,

will be \$85 for cats and \$95 for dogs. This fee includes spay or neuter, microchip and rabies vaccination.

Assistant City Manger Stokes Shane said Wednesday morning, "We were just trying to get into

have been dead."

that had she and her sister not gone looking for her, Morris would not have survived.

"Without a doubt,"

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Henson said. "She would

Licenses

Henson, tipped police that

Morris was probably in

the truck. Henson believes

Wilma

time of purchase for online and phone orders, and the physical license is mailed separately. Confirmation numbers will verify that a license has been purchased, which is sufficient for dove hunting, but will not allow hunters to take fish or wildlife that requires a tag.

In addition to a hunting license, all wing shooters will need to purchase a game bird stamp. To hunt doves or teal in September, a Migratory Game Bird Stamp (\$7) is required. Duck hunters also need to purchase a Federal Duck Stamp and receive HIP (Harvest Information Program) certification. HIP certification will be " printed on the license at the time of sale only after the purchaser answers a few brief migratory bird questions. Lifetime license holders must also be HIPcertified and purchase the Federal Duck Stamp to hunt migratory birds. All other state stamp endorsements are included with a lifetime license.

New this year, purchase of the Federal Duck Stamp will cost \$15-\$17 depending on where you buy. If purchased through the TPWD license system there is a \$2 administrative fee. Your license will indicate Federal Duck Stamp purchase and the physical stamp will be mailed. There are other options for purchasing the stamp, either at some major post

offices or online. "Remember, it's your responsibility to make sure you are properly licensed, so be sure to check your license before you leave the sales counter," said Tom Newton with TPWD's license program. "We do get a fair number of requests for re-issuance of licenses because the

hunter forgot to get HIP

certified.' There are other mandatory endorsements to consider at the time of purchase, too. An Upland Game Bird Stamp (\$7) is required to hunt all nonmigratory game birds, including turkey, quail, pheasant, chachalaca and lesser prairie chicken.

course, anyone who purchases the Super Combo license package, the best bang for the buck, automatically gets these

needed stamps. Also new this year, sandhill crane permits may be obtained in person at no cost only through TPWD Law Enforcement offices and TPWD headquarters in Austin. Permits are also available anytime online through TPWD's online license sales and by calling 800-792-1112 (option 5, menu 2) or 512-389-4820 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For online and phone orders, a confirmation number will be issued in lieu of a permit and a \$5 transaction fee will be

charged. Hunter Education Certification is also required of any hunter born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 and who is at least 17 years old. For hunters who are unable to work in a hunter education class before hunting season for whatever reason, TPWD does offer a deferral option.

The deferral option allows people 17 years of age or older a one-time only extension to complete the state's hunter education requirements. The individual must first purchase a hunting license and then may purchase the deferral

option. Hunters using the deferral must be accompanied someone 17 years

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old or older who is also licensed to hunt in Texas. The accompanying individual must have completed hunter education or be exempt from the requirements (born before Sept. 2, 1971). The extension is good for one license year, by which time the person with the deferred option needs to complete a hunter education course.

This option is not available to those who have ever received a conviction or deferred adjudication for lack of hunter education certification. They still must take the course before going afield.

Also available through license agents and online are chances for TPWD's Big Time Texas Hunts. The Big Time Texas Hunts program offers the opportunity to win one or more top guided hunts with food and lodging provided, as well as taxidermy in some cases. The crown jewel of the program is the Texas Grand Slam hunt package, which includes four separate hunts for Texas' most prized big game animals — the desert bighorn sheep, white-tailed deer, mule deer and pronghorn antelope. There are several quality whitetail hunt packages available, as well as opportunities to pursue alligator, exotic big game, waterfowl and upland

game birds. Entries for the Big Time Texas Hunt drawings are \$10 each and are available wherever hunting licenses are sold. They may also be purchased online at a discounted price of \$9 each. There is no limit to the number of entries an individual may purchase, and entries may be given as gifts for others. Purchasers must be 17 years of age or

New laws

ers that using a wireless communications device is prohibited and the operator is subject to a fine. It is a defense to prosecution if the operator was making an emergency call.

Brown said signs have been ordered for school zones and should be in place by the first day of school.

Seatbelts

HB 537— requires all occupants of a vehicle, no matter their age, to be secured by a safety belt, no matter where they are seated in the vehicle; changes the definition of a passenger vehicle to include a passenger van designed to transport 15 or fewer passengers including the driver; removes the current exemption for thirdparty Medicaid transportation provisions regarding the use of child passenger safety seats; and prohibits a motorcycle operator from carrying a passenger under the age of 5 unless the child is seated in a sidecar attached to the motorcycle.

SB 61— amends the existing statute regarding child passenger safety seats. The bill requires that any child younger than 8 years of age be restrained in an approved child passenger safety seat unless the child is at least 4 feet, 9 inches in height. The fine is no more than \$25 for a first offense and \$250 for a second offense. The law also creates a new court cost for conviction of an offense under this section to be collected and used by TxDOT to buy safety seats for low income families. The law becomes effective on Sept. 1, 2009, but tickets for this offense cannot be issued until June 1, 2010. Police officers are allowed to issue a warning before that date.

Driving

HB 2730 increases the penalties for driving while intoxicated with a child passenger by adding an automatic driver license suspension period for first-time offenders and an increased suspension period for repeat offenders. The driver license reinstatement fee for completing an education program will rise from \$50 to \$100. Closes a loophole so a person who commits an offense as a minor cannot circumvent the driver license penalty if the person turns 21 before their court date.

HB 2730— allows a new Texas resident to operate a vehicle without a Texas license for 90 days instead of the current 30. (This provision went into effect

on June 19, 2009.) HB 2012— creates two new punishment enhancements: a Class B misdemeanor if a person drives with a suspended license and without insurance; and a class A misdemeanor if the person driving without insurance or a valid driver license has an accident and someone is seriously injured or dies as a result of that accident.

SB 129 authorizes neighborhood electric vehicles (NEVs) to be operated on roads with a posted speed limit of 45 miles per hour or less. The bill authorizes driver license holders to operate NEVs without having a motorcycle endorsement, clarifies that drivers and passengers in such vehicles are not required to wear helmets and specifies that enclosed three-wheeled vehicles as described in the bill are authorized to operate in preferential lanes.

Crime HB 558— allows minors

to be charged with public intoxication.

HB 2386— allows courts to immediately seal juvenile criminal records if the juvenile successfully completes a drug court program, or another special program ordered by the

HB 1282- makes it a Class B misdemeanor to steal a driver license, commercial driver license or

personal identification. SB 554- makes it illegal to own or possess dog-fighting equipment and establishes that such equipment and property where dogs are found to be engaged in dog fighting is contraband and is subject to forfeiture. The law also makes dog-fighting subject to the elevated penalties authorized in the Texas Penal Code, Section 71.02(a), in an effort to deter organized criminal

HB 1813— makes it a third-degree felony to tamper with forensic, medical, chemical, toxicological and ballistic reports, as well as reports of certification, inspection or maintenance of instruments used to examine or test physical evidence. (Currently, someone who does this can only be charged with a cont. from page 1

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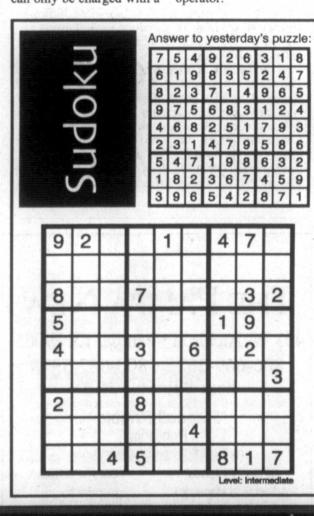
HB 358— allows law enforcement authorities to store only a small part of gambling machines that have been seized, instead of storing the whole machine. They would be able to remove and store just the computer chips in gambling machines, which are the core of the machines and contain the information necessary for prosecutions to go forward.

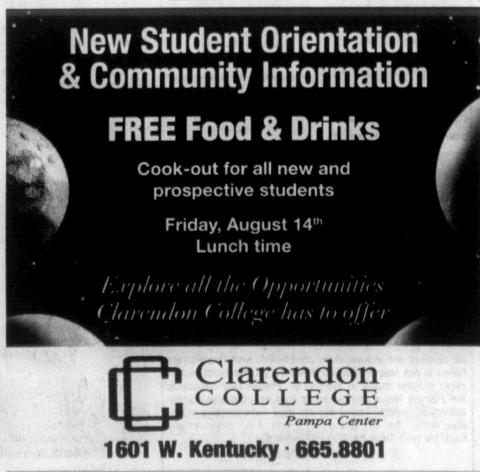
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689restricts Internet usage by certain registered sex offenders, and requires registered sex offenders to provide information about their e-mail addresses when they reg-

Motorcycles

Senate Bill 1967 requires that applicants for an original class M license or class A, B or C driver license (including commercial driver licenses and permits) with authorization to operate a motorcycle, provide evidence of completion of an approved motorcycle operator training course. It also repeals the helmet exemption sticker program. Current law requires a person be covered with a minimum of \$10,000 in health insurance for injuries incurred in a motorcycle accident to be eligible for an exception for the offense of operating or riding a motorcycle without a helmet. As of Sept. 1, the minimum amount is removed. The bill requires the Texas Department of Insurance to prescribe a standard proof of health insurance for issuance to persons who are at least 21 years of age and covered by an applicable health insurance plan. The law also increases the penalty for failure to yield the right-ofway if there is a crash that results in injury to a person other than the motorcycle





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Today in History

Today is Wednesday, August 12, the 224th day of 2009. There are 141 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1499 - Turks defeat Venetian fleet at Sapienza, Italy.

1530 - Florence is restored to Medici family in Italy by Holy Roman Empire troops. 1687 - Duke of Lorraine and Louis of Baden

defeat Turks under Suleiman Pasha at Battle of Mohacs, ending Turkish occupation of Hungary 1759 - Russian and Austrian forces defeat Prussians at Kunersdorf, Germany, and Dresden falls into Austrian hands.

1813 - Austria declares war on France.

1898 - Hawaiian Islands in Pacific are transferred to United States.

1938 - Germany begins mobilization of its armed forces.

'Regrets are as personal as fingerprints.'

 Margaret Culkin Banning, American writer

1941 - French Marshal Henri Philippe Petain calls on his countrymen to give full support to Nazi Germany in World War II.

1953 - The Soviet Union detonates its first hydrogen bomb. 1958 - Cuban rebel leader Fidel Castro

announces the complete "liberation" of the Sierra Maestra area of Oriente Province from President Batista's army. Three-

hundred Cuban soldiers are killed and 420 captured. 1960 - U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold 1965 - A U.S. Navy jet fighter-bomber is shot down by a missile 50 miles (80 kilometers) southwest of Hanoi. It is the second U.S. plane shot down by North Vietnamese in three weeks.

1970 - West Germany and Soviet Union sign nonaggression pact in Moscow. 1971 - Syria severs diplomatic relations with

Jordan as border fighting breaks out. 1972 - Last U.S. ground combat unit in South

Vietnam is deactivated. 1985 - Japan Airlines Flight 123 from Osaka to

Tokyo crashes into a mountainside, killing more than 520 people. 1995 - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's former right-hand man and son-in-law, Hussein Kamel

al-Majid, who defected to Jordan, announces a campaign to topple him. 1996 - Germany asks Italy to extradite former SS

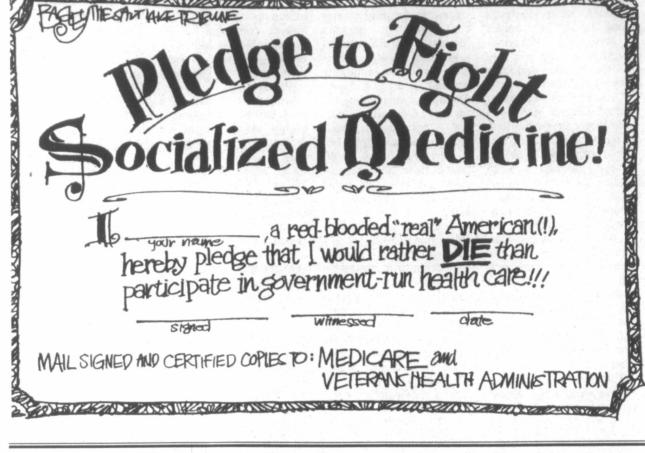
captain Erich Priebke, who was freed by a military court in Rome after a war crimes trial but swiftly re-arrested

1998 - Swiss banks agree to pay \$1.25 billion to Holocaust survivors as restitution for lost assets.

2000 - A Russian nuclear submarine, the Kursk,

mToday's Birthdays: Robert Mills, U.S. architect (1781-1855); Katherine Lee Bates, U.S. author of lyrics to 'America the

Beautiful' (1859-1929); Cecil B. DeMille, U.S. film producer and director (1881-1959); Erwin Schroedinger, Austrian physicist (1887-1961); Cantinflas (Mario Moreno), Mexican comedian (1911-1993); William Goldman, U.S. novelistscreenwriter (1931--); Pete Sampras, U.S. tennis player (1971--); Casey Affleck, U.S. actor (1975--).



Analysis: Health care debate a long-running story

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — President Barack Obama's campaign for a health care overhaul is an intense installment in a long-running story, dating to Theodore Roosevelt in

It did not go well nearly a century ago. Roosevelt made national health insurance an issue in his last, losing campaign for the White House, and successive efforts to get it enacted have lost, too.

The basic issue, affordable health care for all Americans, has not changed. But possible solutions have not evolved either, in part because new proposals seldom build on old ones. Obama's broad, leave-the-details-to-Congress proposal has little in common with the 1,300page measure President Bill Clinton couldn't even get to a vote in a Democratic Senate in 1993

The Obama strategy was designed to avoid mistakes Clinton made in confronting Congress with a massive bill written in the White House under the management of Hillary Rodham Clinton and essentially telling the House and Senate to take it or leave it. Clinton threatened to veto any bill that did not deliver universal health care. He got nothing to veto.

The Obama team missed part of the lesson when the president pressed for passage of House and Senate bills before Congress took its summer vacation so that they could negotiate a final version when they reconvene in September. What he got was narrow committee approval in the House, a preface to debate and action after Labor Day. In the Senate, the Finance Committee was trying to meet a Sept. 15 deadline to deliver its bill.

Obama's push for action before the summer recess created a goal the Democrats couldn't meet and a psychological setback he didn't need to risk. He now says that it was no big deal and that what he wants is a reform law by the end of the year, to get all Americans insured and curb medical costs.

That is a big deal, underscored by his aggressive television and traveling campaign to try to build public support - and pressure in Congress — to enact health care overhaul this time.

"Now is the hard part because the history is clear - every time we come close to passing health insurance reform, the special interests fight back with everything they've got," Obama told a town in Portsmouth, N.H., hall on Tuesday. "They use their influence. They use their political allies to scare and mislead the American people. They start running ads. This is what they always do."

Within hours of Obama's comments, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce said it will begin airing 30-second ads in about 20 states Wednesday criticizing the Democratic proposal to offer optional government health coverage. The multimillion-dollar ad buy would be one of the largest so far critical of Obama's effort; opponents this year have been heavily outspent by supporters of Obama's

Short of enacting an overhaul plan, Obama and the Democrats could have a major political burden going into the 2010 congressional elections, just as Clinton did when Democrats lost the 1994 elections after his health care failure.

An issue that affects all Americans, their doctors, insurers and employers is bound to carry political risk.

Franklin D. Roosevelt wanted national health insurance but, even with his power in the New Deal Congress, he did not dare to tie it to Social Security in 1935 lest he lose the whole program. Harry S. Truman pushed it on a Congress that wouldn't buy it.

While Dwight Eisenhower balked at national insurance, he tried to get Congress to support a reinsurance program to buttress private insurers and gain coverage for highrisk patients and the needy.

Congress said no, twice. John F. Kennedy made health care a major issue in his 1960 campaign. He concentrated on what then was called medical care for the aged, a title that wouldn't play well with the current Medicare set, people now described as senior citizens. He couldn't get it through Congress.

Lyndon B. Johnson did, but even with his legendary legislative skills and the overwhelming Democratic majorities in Congress after the 1964 elections. it took more than a year of hard, sometimes armbending persuasion to get Medicare enacted. It was a hard sell with conservative Democrats, not unlike the problem Obama faces now.

for government health insurance was an exception to the pattern of starting each attempt from scratch instead of evolving it from what had gone before. When Johnson signed the Medicare bill in 1965 and gave Truman card No. 1, he traveled to Independence, Mo., to share "this moment of triumph" with the president who had first proposed it 20 years before. It provided government

That one major victory

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Not only for LBJ, but also for Republican Richard M. Nixon, who proposed universal health insurance in 1974, seeking to use employer-based coverage along with federal subsidies so that all Americans would be insured. It was to be done by private insurers not the government. There was bipartisan suppor until Watergate intervened

The political perils of change were dramatized in 1988 after Congress enacted a Medicare overhaul that included prescription drug benefits financec with higher fees on upperincome recipients, who rebelled. They protested demonstrated and ever chased the sponsor, then-Rep. Dan Rostenkowski D-Ill., to his car. Those changes were repealed the next year.

Prescription drug coverage was added to Medicare in 2003, pushed by President George W. Bush who claimed it as one of his major achievements in winning re-election. It did not come easily. The administration understated cost estimates by half, and Republican leaders muscled it through the House by one vote. To hold dowr the cost, they wrote a gar into the coverage.

That may be changed ir an Obama health plan. It points to a chronic challenge in health overhau. efforts: the price of change Covering nearly 50 million uninsured Americans would cost an estimated \$1 trillion-plus over the next decade. Obama promisec to do it without adding to the deficit. Now he and Congress have to figure our



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Top 'O Texas Kid Pony Show results

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GOLFETTE - BOYS GROUP I

Walk Across Texas proposes 30 minutes of activity for students

Texas schools soon may be marching forward under new legislation that requires every student to be physically active for at least 30 minutes a day.

The Texas Education Agency has joined with the Texas AgriLife Extension Service to encourage students, teachers and parents to "Walk Across Texas."

Though people will not be actually trekking from Texarkana to El Paso or from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande Valley, officials at the two state agencies say students, parents and teachers might try to go the 830-mile distance

right at home. Walk Across Texas was created by AgriLife Extension as a fun way to increase physical activity, offering education as well as support and encouragement in a team structure, according to Dr. Carol Rice, AgriLife Extension health specialist. Rice said

that the 14-year-old Walk Across Texas initiative is a well-established program readily available to help school districts meet the legislative requirement for physical activities.

Under Texas Senate Bill 891, all public school students below the sixth grade are now required to participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity for at least 30 minutes daily throughout the school year. This daily activity may be part of a district's physical education curriculum or part of a structured activity during recess, according to the education agency

One possible way to meet that law is for teachers to team up with AgriLife Extension agents - there is one for every county - to start the walking program. AgriLife Extension leaders said a good time to start Walk Across Texas may be Sept. 14-18 during the state's Obesity Awareness

Week.

"We created the program to encourage a habit of physical fitness," Rice added.

Curriculum is available on the Web site, http://walkacrosstexas. tamu.edu. It is designed to meet Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills requirements, according to Dr. Susan Ballabina, AgriLife Extension regional program director in Dallas, where the program has been popular for years.

She pointed to a recent study by the Cooper Institute of Dallas which found that the more physically fit students are more likely to do well on standardized tests, attend school regularly and have fewer disciplinary refer-Information and assis-

tance is available from AgriLife Extension's network of county agents, found at http://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I was 11 when my father left. I'm 16 now and it is still very difficult for my mom and me. Dad was involved in my life until he met his 28-year-old girlfriend. He's 54.

I have told him I'm not comfortable around her and I don't want to be in her company. It's embarrassing when they hold hands and hug in front of me and my friends. I spend one night a week at Dad's and I want him all to myself. Even when I'm there he locks himself in his room and spends all night talking on the phone with her. I have asked him to pay attention to me, but

he doesn't get it. Last year, he told me he "had a dream" that I was going to get a little sister or brother. He asked how I felt about that, and I was honest. I told him thinking about him having sex with a woman so young makes me sick. Dad doesn't see that she's using him for money and a green card. I want him to be discreet and keep his private life

I live with my mom six nights a week, and I think that gives Dad plenty of time to spend with his girlfriend. What can I do to get him to focus on me on our one night a week together? - MISSES MY DAD IN RHODE ISLAND

DEAR MISSES YOUR DAD: Your father's girlfriend may make him feel like he's 16 again, but that isn't an excuse for him to act like it.

You have communicated clearly to him that you need more of his attention than he's giving. The next person to deliver that message should be your mother. Perhaps he will pay more attention if he hears it from another adult.

In two years you will be 18 and gone. The time he has with you now is precious and he should recognize that fact and stop squandering it.

DEAR ABBY: My children are grown and gone. The youngest left more than four years ago. For the last several years I have asked them to remove their stored items from my house, which is still crammed with their stuff

I'm not supposed to move. I have finally scheduled a Dumpster for a twoweek period convenient for me and let everyone know they need to "claim it or lose it." One daughter, "Lynette," has decided that because I won't change the dates to suit her schedule -- of which she isn't even sure -- she will consider

me "dead" to her. Obviously this has hurt me deeply. I realize that Lynette thinks the world

revolves around her, but don't I have the right to clean out my home at my convenience? Do I owe her more notice, even though most of the items have been here eight to 10 years?

I thought being assertive prevented people from walking all over you. It pains me that my daughter will no longer speak to me. She has also taken steps to keep other family mem-

bers away as well. Her older sister says she is overreacting and will come to her senses, but I'm not sure. I'm divorced from her father, so there is little support there. Should I proceed with my plans? -- IN A MESS IN VERMONT

DEAR IN A MESS: Being assertive will prevent people from walking all over you only if you stick to your guns and don't give in to emotional blackmail. Lynette's reaction is calculated to hurt

In addition to showing some gratitude for your patience in keeping her old things for so long, she should make it her business to come over and collect those items that are still important to her. But if she chooses to sulk and not cooperate, do not allow her to force you into changing the schedule.

WELCOME

Gage Konner Gamblin

Gage Konner Gamblin was welcomed by his parents Kyle and Amy Gamblin of Pampa, May 26, 2009 at 11:14 am.

Gage weighed 5 pounds 14 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long at birth. He was born in BSA Amarillo,

Gage was also welcomed by grandparents John R and Lisa Spearman of Pampa, Kris and Terry Gamblin of Pampa, John and Angela



Spearman of Pampa, Ted and Tommie Forsythe Lubbock, George and Mardell Gamblin of Pampa.

Maurice and Pat Newton of Kerrville.

Gage's brother is Duncan Gamblin of Pampa.

notes

ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL, INC. OF PAMPA, TEXAS met August 11, 2009 at First United Methodist Church with President Kerrick Horton presiding. Julie Lorenz and Rochelle Lacy served as greeters.

Mayda King presented the Accent on International Youth Day, August 12, relating it to ASTRA which is the youth club sponsored by Altrusa. Jennifer Monroe was accepted for membership.

Ruby Royse and Betty King were granted leaves of absence.

The resignations of Mary Fulton and Frances Isbell were accepted with regret.

The following were appointed to a committee to review the stipulations for the Geraldine Rampy Vocational Award: Louise Bailey - Chairman, Ann Thrasher, Rochelle Lacy, Annette Chase and Mayda King.

The club voted to use the remaining funds left from mailing the boxes for Operation Education Afghanistan to buy school supplies to donate to a local school.

Terry Gamblin reported on the changes of Club Policies, By-Laws, and Resolutions. Brenda Tucker gave

a report on the 51st International Convention held in Indianapolis recently. The Pampa Altrusa Club won the 1st place Mamie L. Bass Service Award for the Children's Shopping Tour project.

following The Committee Reports and Announcements given:

Style Show The Committee met recently at the home of Eileen Kludt to finalize plans for the style show which will be held October 3 at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Guest Night August 25 Invitations are being mailed to prospective

Fish Camp for ASTRA will be August 20 at Pampa High School.

An outing for members and spouses will be held Saturday, September 26, at 5:00 p.m. at the ranch home of John and Julie Sparkman near Alanreed.

Birlthday greetings were extended to Lynn Switzer, Barb Hahn, Myrna Orr, Kerrick Horton, Stephenie Willis, Carolyn Kessel, and Eileen Kludt who celebrate birthdays this month.

The next meeting will be held August 25 at 6:30 p.m. at Pampa Senior Center.



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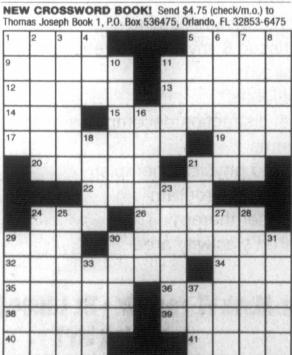
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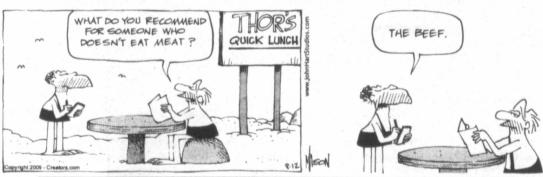
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Rockets lift off vs. Harvesters

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Last season when the Pampa Lady Harvesters played the Amarillo Lady Rockets, their match went to five games with the Rockets winning.

This season the match also took five games, and again the Rockets won (15-25, 25-20, 18-25, 25-22 and 18-16).

Both Amarillo head coach Stephanie Bankhead and Pampa head coach Libby Garza like playing against each other.

"We enjoy coming to Pampa because the competition is always good," Bankhead said. year we went to five. We exploited their (Pampa) defense and made some smart shots."

"We like facing Amarillo," Garza said. "They touch every ball. It's good because they frustrate us. That high line shot we couldn't adjust to.'

The last two games were a fine example of how competitive the Lady Rockets and Lady Harvesters play. In Game 4, the Lady Harvesters jumped out to a 10-3 lead. The Lady Rockets rallied back and tied the game at 10.

Pampa and Amarillo went back and forth with both teams tied at 21. The Rockets scored three straight points to take a 24-21 lead. Pampa was able to get a side out to stay in the game, but the Lady Rockets forced a deciding Game 5 with a side out of their own.

In Game 5, both teams started back and forth. With the game tied at three, the Lady Rockets went on a 6-1 run to take a 9-4 lead. The Lady Harvesters did not give up, going on a 6-1 run to tie the game at 10.

Natalie Parker made some key kills to allow Pampa to get back in the game. Parker said she was excited to contribute to her

"It's awesome," Parker said after the game. Parker had six kills, one block and three digs.

Garza was also pleased with Parker's effort in the first game.

"I'm pleased with Natalie being a leader," Garza said. "She's really coming into her own. We're going to be relying on her a lot.

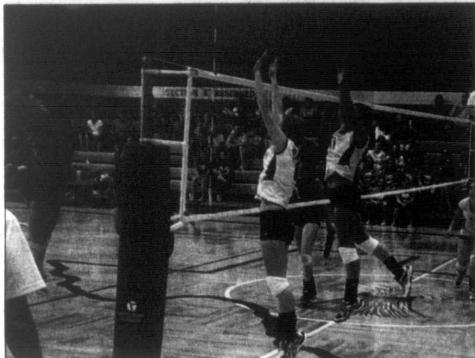
Both teams went back and forth the rest of the game. The Lady Rockets had their first chance to end the match with a 14-13 lead. Pampa got a side out to tie the game.

The Rockets got the lead back on a side out to give them another chance at ending the game. The Lady Harvesters tied the game again.

However, Pampa was not able to gain the lead. Amarillo got a side out to lead 16-15. The Lady Harvesters tied the game again. The Rockets scored the last two points to win the match.

Garza and her players agreed that they need to work on execution in future matches.

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Garza said her team also needs to work on communication and making

"We have some players that communicate on every single ball and some who communicate sometimes." Garza said. "We need to communicate on every single ball and we'll get

In the first game, the Lady Harvesters jumped out to an early 12-4 lead, prompting Bankhead to call a time out. The Lady Harvesters did not allow Amarillo to get closer than nine, winning 25-15 in Game 1.

started exchanging points. But with the game tied at four, the Rockets opened a four-point lead with four straight points. Amarillo expanded their lead to 11-5 prompting Garza to call a time out.

The Lady Harvesters went on a 9-4 run to trail 15-14 - the closest they would get. The Rockets scored four unanswered to lead 19-14. Amarillo would lead by as much as six points. Pampa got the game within three at 23-20, but the Rockets finished them

In Game 3, the Harvesters jumped out to an 11-6 lead, causing Bankhead to call a time out. The Lady Harvesters would keep the lead at five, before the Rockets rallied back. With Pampa leading 17-11, the Lady Rockets scored four unanswered to pull within two. But the Lady Harvesters outscored them 8-3 to win 25-18.

Troxell had two kills, two blocks and 19 digs. Kirsten Kuhn had 27 digs, and Delaney Clendenning had nine kills, one block and three digs.

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Sooners to open 2 football practices to the public

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) - Oklahoma will open a portion of two of its football practices to the public during the next week

Coach Bob Stoops says the workouts on Thursday and next Monday will be open. The practices will start at 6 p.m. at the OU rugby fields west of the Lloyd Noble Center and will be open for about an hour.

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