

SPORTS

Notebook

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — The City of Pampa Recreation Department is sponsoring a mixed adult volleyball league. Mixed competitive and recreational divisions will be offered. Players must be 16 years old to participate.

Entry deadline is Oct. 31 at 4 p.m., with the season scheduled to begin the week of Nov. 5, 2001.

Entry fee (sponsor's fee) is \$160 and player's fee is \$10 per player with a minimum of eight players.

Roster forms, fact sheets and league by-laws are available at the Recreation Office, 816 S. Hobart.

For more information, please contact Shane Stokes at 669-5770 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

AUTO RACING

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — Dale Earnhardt Jr. charged by Bobby Labonte on the last lap, leaving him and a 16-car wreck behind while racing to victory in the EA Sports 500 at Talladega Superspeedway.

Earnhardt later failed inspection, but there was virtually no chance he would be disqualified. NASCAR announced hours after the race that his Chevrolet was an 1/8-inch short of the minimum height requirement.

Earnhardt outlasted Tony Stewart on the final lap. Jeff Burton wound up third.

With a seventh-place finish, Jeff Gordon increased his series lead over Ricky Rudd to 395 points with five races remaining.

BASEBALL

ATLANTA (AP) — Randy Johnson won this one for himself and all the other Arizona old-timers who had never made it to a World Series before.

The Diamondbacks reached the Series faster than any expansion team ever, doing it in only their fourth year of existence when Johnson pitched them past the Atlanta Braves 3-2 Sunday night in Game 5 of the NL championship series.

Craig Counsell, the only player on the Arizona roster with a championship ring, was picked as MVP after hitting .381 and scoring five runs.

"I'm just happy for all the guys who have played so many years," Counsell said.

Johnson, who had lost a record seven straight postseason decisions coming into the series, erased all doubt about his ability to win when it counted. Sweating and grimacing, he earned his second victory in six days, having won 2-0 in Game 1.

The Big Unit made his 118th and final pitch his best, striking out Brian Jordan with the bases loaded to preserve a one-run lead in the seventh inning. Fellow ace Curt Schilling applauded from the dugout, and patted Johnson when he reached the top step.

Now, the 38-year-old ace with three Cy Young awards gets to step onto baseball's biggest stage. He will be joined by 10 other thirtysomethings — Mark Grace, Luis Gonzalez and Jay Bell among them — making their first Series appearance.

"I realize how special it is," Johnson said.

Game 1 is Saturday night at Bank One Ballpark, against either the New York Yankees or Seattle Mariners. And Arizona has ominous news for anyone visiting the desert — be it Schilling or Johnson, both aces will be fully rested for the opener.

"I think they've got a great chance," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said. "They've clearly got the most outstanding back-to-back starters you could ever want."

Erubiel Durazo, pinch-hitting for the injured Grace, hit a tiebreaking, two-run homer in the fifth off Tom Glavine. Danny Bautista, starting on a hunch by manager Bob Brenly, had an RBI single.

Pampa turns back stubborn Caprock

AMARILLO — Pampa spoiled Caprock's homecoming with a 21-7 Saturday in a District 3-4A game in Dick Bivins Stadium.

Caprock, however, didn't go down easy as Pampa's play was a little on the sluggish side.

"It's hard to describe. We just seemed to be detached or unemotional. Maybe it was playing on a Saturday afternoon at Dick Bivins. It was hot, I was hot. I'm just not certain what it was," said Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier. "Caprock certainly played hard against us."

Pampa grabbed a 7-0 lead on the opening kickoff by march-

ing 74 yards in 15 plays to Caprock end zone. Randy Tice's 5-yard TD pass to Jon East gave the Harvesters an early lead with 5:37 left in the first quarter.

Pampa made it 14-0 after a Caprock punt when Johnny Moore scored from 5-yards out at the 10:33 mark of the second quarter. It was another impressive drive for the Harvesters, who covered 80 yards in 9 plays.

Caprock, however, went on an impressive drive of its own before the half. The Longhorns gained possession after intercepting a Harvester pass and drove 80 yards in 18 plays with John White going over from the one with just

three seconds left until the half.

"Caprock put together a wonderful drive against us. They made a couple of first downs and converted two fourth-down plays. I have to give a lot of credit to them on that drive. That touchdown kind of had us reeling at that point," coach Cavalier said.

Pampa's defense would clamp down on Caprock the rest of the way and the Longhorns never threatened again.

Defensively, the Harvesters turned in another strong game, holding Caprock to 102 yards.

Linebacker Orlando Madrid was the defensive star with 18

tackles, including 9 solo tackles and one for minus yards.

"We made some defensive adjustments the second half and were able to shut them down," Cavalier said. "But we still weren't able to score to put the game out of reach until the fourth quarter."

The Harvesters added their final tally at the beginning of the fourth quarter when Ty Elledge broke loose on a 42-yard touchdown scamper.

Elledge went over the 100-yard rushing mark for the third time this season, picking up 136 yards on 17 carries.

"Our offensive line did a good job of blocking," Cavalier added.

Blocking up front by Trent

Price, Brandon McElroy, Daniel Rivera, Matt Dudley, Jon Lambright and East helped lead the Harvesters on their three scoring drives.

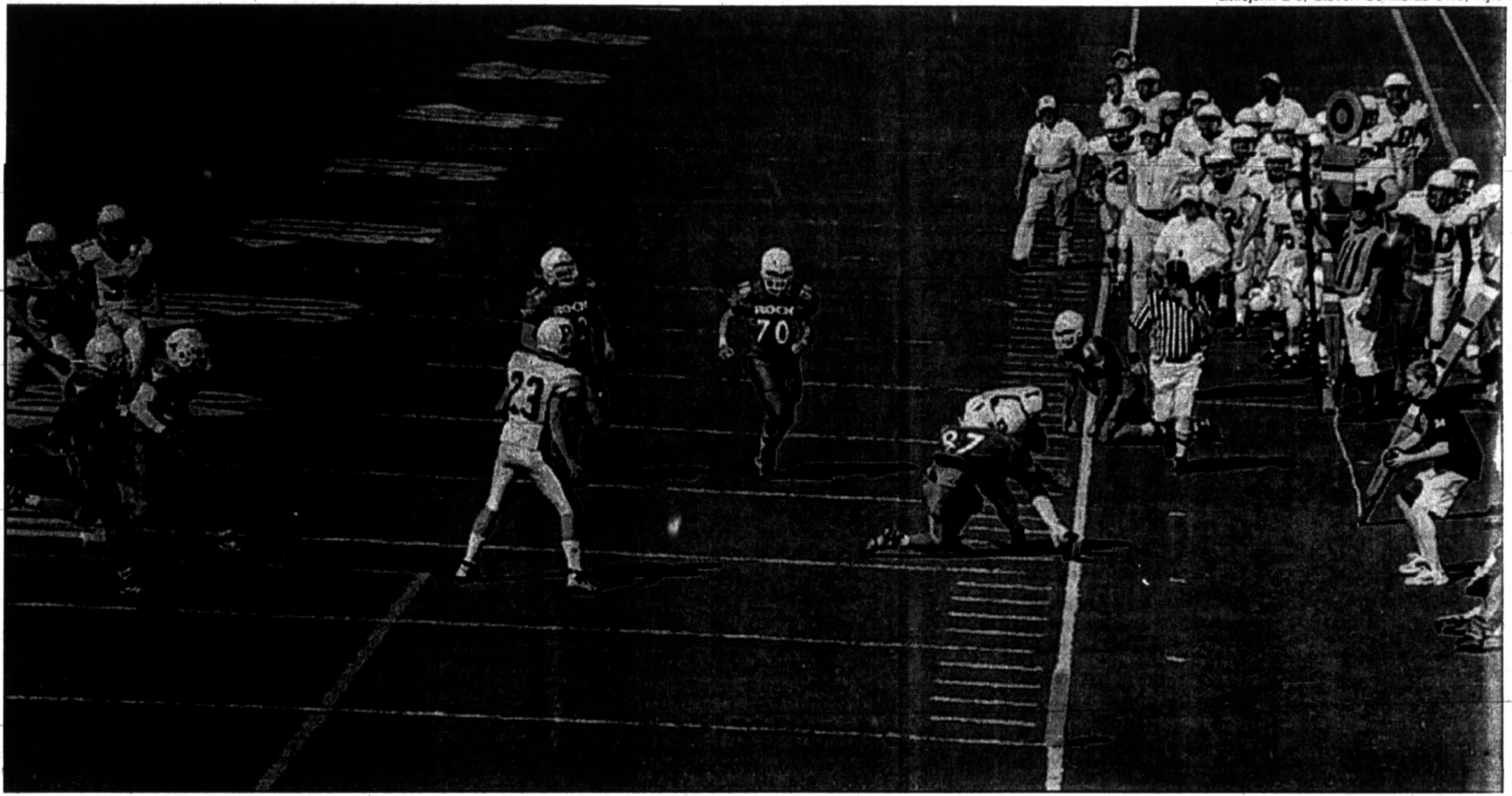
Pampa improved to 3-2 in district play and 4-3 for the season.

Caprock is 1-6 and 0-4.

Pampa	7	7	0	7-21
Caprock	0	7	0	0-7

Scoring summary
P - Jon East 5 pass from Randy Tice (Jerod Snelgrooves kick)
P - Johnny Moore 5 run (Snelgrooves kick)
C - John White 1 run (Daniel Velasco kick)
P - Ty Elledge 42 run (Snelgrooves kick)

Individual statistics
Pampa
Rushing: Ty Elledge 17-136; Johnny Moore 13-77; Randy Tice 8-41; Team minus 23.
Passing: Randy Tice 4-6-0-29.
Receiving: Jon East 3-17; Adam Rodgers 1-12.
Caprock
Rushing: John White 27-81; Michael Littlejohn 2-9; Steven Contreras 3-10; Kyle



Pampa quarterback Randy Tice makes yardage down the sideline (far right) before being driven out of bounds by a Caprock defender in this panoramic view from atop Dick Bivins Stadium. (Photo by Grover Black)

Soriano's 9th-inning homer lifts Yankees past Mariners

NEW YORK (AP) — Alfonso Soriano's drive soared to right-center field and this time there were no mistakes.

The rookie ran hard. He didn't have to.

As the ball went over Mike Cameron, over the wall and into Yankees' history, it dawned on the 23-year-old Dominican: He had become another of New York's postseason heroes, another of those players who comes up big in the clutch and keeps the pinstripes in a postseason that never seems to end.

"I was thinking that this was a very big moment," Soriano said after the Yankees' 3-1 win Sunday night gave them a 3-1 lead over the Seattle Mariners in the AL championship series.

With one more victory, New York becomes the first team to win four straight pennants since

the Mickey Mantle-Roger Maris Yankees of 1960-64.

One more loss, and Seattle's record-tying 116 regular-season wins become merely tiny type in the record book, an appetizer with no dessert, much like the 116 victories of the 1906 Chicago Cubs, who lost the World Series to the crosstown White Sox.

"I think we're just blessed," Bernie Williams said. Seattle probably felt a bit cursed.

On a night when starters Roger Clemens and Paul Abbott each pitched five wild but strangely effective innings, Bret Boone broke up a scoreless game with an eighth-inning homer off Ramiro Mendoza.

The Mariners moved six outs from fulfilling the promise of manager Lou Piniella, who pledged his team would stretch

the series to six games and force more baseball this year at Safeco Field.

But Williams answered right back with an opposite-field drive in the bottom half.

"There's a certain amount of magic that's tied to him," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "We all expect it, and he's never let us down."

It came off Yankee favorite Arthur Rhodes, who lost Game 2 last year, then gave up David Justice's go-ahead, seventh-inning homer in the Game 6 clincher.

"Off the bat, I thought it was a deep fly ball," Rhodes said. "Once I saw the wind take it, well, nothing you can do about that."

Mariano Rivera, Mr. Automatic, then pitched a 1-2-3 ninth — as in three pitches, three

outs.

After Scott Brosius reached on a one-out infield single off Kazuhiro Sasaki, up came Soriano, the rookie second baseman whose strong spring training caused the Yankees to find a spot for him in their lineup.

He took a pitch. He deposited the next into one of those Yankees' highlight films.

"We just jumped off the bench," Tino Martinez said. "We knew it was gone when he hit it."

In Game 1, Soriano was criticized by the Yankees for failing to run out a ball he thought was a home run and then getting only to first base when it clanked off Safeco's left-field wall. And in Game 3, he was slow to cover second base in New York's 14-3

loss.

No mistakes this time. "As I was rounding the bases, I was thinking about my family in the Dominican Republic who was watching the game," Soriano said.

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Paterno ties record

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Joe Paterno tied Bear Bryant's record for most Division I coaching victories (323) when previously winless Penn State rallied for a 38-35 upset of No. 22 Northwestern on Saturday.

Paterno can surpass Bryant next week against Ohio State. The 74-year-old coach is 323-94-3 in 36 seasons at Penn State. Bryant was 323-85-17 in 38 seasons at Maryland, Kentucky, Texas A&M and Alabama.

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No. 9 Longhorns use Benson to punish Colorado

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — This looks awfully familiar to Texas.

A running back churning out yards and scoring touchdowns and then flashing a healthy head of dreadlocks when he takes off his helmet.

Ricky Williams? Not quite. Try Cedric Benson, the freshman whose straight-forward running style punishes defenders and has added a new element to the Longhorns' offense over the last two weeks.

Benson rushed for 100 yards on 23 carries and a pair of touchdowns as No. 9 Texas cruised past No. 14 Colorado 41-7 Saturday. He also had 59 yards receiving.

The victory kept alive Texas' Bowl Championship Series bid hopes and snapped Colorado's five-game winning streak.

"We have to make a statement every game to prove that we are

a good football team," Texas coach Mack Brown said. "We not only won, but we dominated the contest."

Benson, one of the greatest runners in Texas high school history, was the most anticipated recruit in this year's freshmen class and always hits the field to large cheers from the home crowd.

But his playing time had been limited behind former starters Ivan Williams and Victor Ike as Brown worried about whether Benson could handle his assignments.

All that changed after a 14-3 loss to Oklahoma in which Benson played only one down. He got his first start a week ago and gained 131 yards against Oklahoma State, becoming the first Texas freshman to gain 100 yards since Williams did it in 1995.

"I've been put in at a good

time. It's a big challenge for me," Benson said.

Against Colorado, Benson scored twice in the first half on runs of 12 and 4 yards as Texas (6-1, 3-1 Big 12) built a 24-7 lead after two quarters.

"He's becoming a dominant back. He's stepping up and growing up," Texas senior offensive tackle Mike Williams said. "He's going to be spectacular."

Colorado (5-2, 3-1), which had turned its season around since an opening loss to Fresno State, hasn't won six in a row since 1996.

The Buffaloes started Bobby Pesavento at quarterback in place of Craig Ochs, who earlier in the week had recurring symptoms of a concussion suffered a month ago.

"I'm fine," Ochs said afterward. He took part in pregame warmups.

"I certainly wanted to play but

concussions aren't something you take risks with."

Pesavento, who had attempted just 11 passes this season, was 15-of-27 for a 165 yards and an interception. But Colorado's true offensive strength lies in a rushing game that ranks second only to Nebraska in the Big 12 in yards per game.

Texas held Colorado to 124 yards rushing — 100 below its average — and the Buffaloes couldn't overcome three early turnovers and a missed field goal that led to the Longhorns' big early lead.

"That was meltdown," said Colorado coach Gary Barnett, who interviewed for the Texas job when it came open in 1997. "It's been a while since nothing went right. This was one of those days."

Benson and Texas quarterback Chris Simms did just about everything right. Simms, who

threw five TD passes a week ago, added three to Roy Williams and Sloan Thomas against Colorado.

The first, a 3-yarder to Williams, gave Texas a 7-0 lead. He hit Thomas on scoring strikes of 24 and 29 yards in the third and fourth quarters. Simms was 17-of-28 passing for 234 yards.

The Longhorns rolled up 425 yards of offense and have scored at least 40 points in 11 consecutive home games — all victories — dating back to the middle of the 1998 season.

"There's no limit to what we can do offensively," Simms said.

He and Benson connected on the game's biggest play in the second quarter.

Texas was leading 17-7 when a Colorado pinné the Longhorns on their own 5. The situation was similar to two weeks ago when Texas was backed up against its own end zone in the final minutes against Oklahoma.

But unlike that game when Simms was pressured into an interception by a blitzing defender, he beat the Colorado rush with a shuffle-pass underneath to Benson, who took it 40 yards to near midfield and out of danger.

"I was nervous dropping back. I could see the defensive end coming," said Simms. "He (Benson) got it just as he was turning around and made an incredible move to get free."

"I never ran that before," Benson said. "It was cool for me."

Simms found Williams on the sideline for a 29-yard gain and Benson capped the drive with his second touchdown on a 4-yard run.

Texas stretched the lead to 34-7 on Simms' first TD pass to Thomas. The two connected again in the fourth for the final touchdown.

Scoreboard

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W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
Miami	3	2	0	600	106	111					
New England	3	3	0	500	141	119					
N.Y. Jets	3	3	0	500	128	154					
Indianapolis	2	3	0	400	135	155					
Buffalo	1	4	0	200	84	138					
Central											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
Pittsburgh	4	1	0	800	76	91					
Cleveland	4	2	0	667	159	97					
Baltimore	3	3	0	500	110	102					
Cincinnati	3	3	0	500	89	109					
Jacksonville	2	3	0	400	73	69					
Tennessee	2	3	0	400	94	122					
West											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
Oakland	4	1	0	800	131	95					
San Diego	4	2	0	667	159	97					
Seattle	3	2	0	600	84	107					
Denver	3	3	0	500	133	124					
Kansas City	1	5	0	167	111	117					
NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
East											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
N.Y. Giants	3	2	0	600	91	71					
Philadelphia	2	2	0	500	104	62					
Arizona	2	3	0	400	89	128					
Dallas	1	4	0	200	75	117					
Washington	1	5	0	167	49	158					
Central											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
Chicago	4	1	0	800	98	43					
Green Bay	4	2	0	667	147	85					
Minnesota	3	3	0	500	124	124					
Tampa Bay	2	3	0	400	78	84					
Detroit	0	5	0	000	70	145					
West											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
St. Louis	6	0	0	1000	176	81					
San Francisco	4	1	0	800	122	105					
New Orleans	3	2	0	600	105	87					
Atlanta	3	3	0	500	125	127					
Carolina	1	5	0	167	100	133					
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Rams have a perfect 6-0 record behind Canidate; Browns beat Super Bowl champs

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Subtract reigning league MVP Marshall Faulk, insert a player with 17 career carries — and the St. Louis Rams still dominate.

Trung Canidate, filling in for the injured Faulk, scored twice and accounted for 232 yards in his first start to help the Rams remain the NFL's only unbeaten team with a 34-14 victory over the New York Jets on Sunday.

"In order to beat them, you have to play a near perfect game," Jets quarterback Vinny Testaverde said. "We weren't even close."

St. Louis is only the second NFL team to start three straight seasons 6-0. The 1929-31 Green Bay Packers had the only other such streak.

Faulk bruised his right knee a week ago and was inactive Sunday after saying he might be able to play against the Jets (3-3).

Canidate rushed for 195 yards on 23 carries and added three receptions for 37 yards. It was the most yards rushing for an NFL running back making his first start since Gerald Riggs had 202 for Atlanta in 1984, and Canidate clearly could have had more — he didn't play the final 14 minutes.

"We felt pretty good about him based on what we see of him in practice, and when he was finally put in a position to contribute, we were elated with how it turned out," Rams coach Mike Martz said.

The Rams ended any hope of a Jets comeback with a dominant third quarter, during which they outgained New York 166-8.

Testaverde was 9-for-13 for 74 yards. He was intercepted for the first time this season before being replaced in the fourth quarter.

Browns 24, Ravens 14
CLEVELAND (AP) — Tim Couch threw two quick touchdown passes in the third quarter as Cleveland beat Baltimore for the first time since returning to the league.

Cleveland's defense forced three turnovers, had seven sacks and dominated the Super Bowl champion Ravens (3-3).

The Browns (4-2) were 0-4 and outscored 116-26 since '99 against the Ravens and owner Art Modell, who moved his franchise from Cleveland to Baltimore following the 1995 season.

Couch was 11-of-18 for 149 yards, and rookie James Jackson rushed for 77 yards and one TD for the Browns.

Baltimore's Matt Stover set an NFL record by making a field goal for the 32nd straight game.

Bears 24, Bengals 0
CINCINNATI (AP) — Anthony Thomas ran for a team rookie-record 188 yards and a touchdown as Chicago won its fourth straight game.

The Bears (4-1) have their longest winning streak since 1995, the last time they made the playoffs. They're off to their best start since 1991, when they finished 11-5.

Thomas, a second-round draft pick who had not run for more than 58 yards in a game, darted through big holes on 22 carries and wound up with the eighth-best rushing game in Bears history.

The Bengals (3-3) were shut out at home for the first time in three years. Chicago's defense, the NFL's stingiest, held Corey Dillon to 30 yards on 16 carries.

Vikings 35, Packers 13
MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Brett Favre threw for only 169 yards against Minnesota's poor pass defense, while Daunte Culpepper threw for one score and ran for another to lead the Vikings.

It was Green Bay's worst regular season loss in eight years. Minnesota (3-3), which entered the game ranked 29th in the league against the pass, won for the eighth time in its last 10 home games against Green Bay (4-2).

Culpepper was 18-for-27 for 184 yards and ran nine times for 70 yards. The rushing touchdown was his fifth of the season.

Steelers 17, Buccaneers 10
TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Jerome Bettis threw a 32-yard touchdown pass on a halfback option and ran for 143 yards and a TD as Pittsburgh dominated Tampa Bay for its fourth win in a row.

The Steelers' top-ranked defense sacked Brad Johnson 10 times and intercepted one of his passes in the end zone.

The Steelers (4-1) are off to their best start since 1996, while Tampa fell to 2-3.

Patriots 38, Colts 17
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — New England's David Patten became the first NFL player in exactly 22 years to run, catch and pass for touchdowns in the same game.

He caught four passes for 117 yards and two touchdowns, scored on a 29-yard run, and completed a 60-yard TD pass to Troy Brown. Walter Payton was the last player with such a trifecta, doing it against Minnesota on Oct. 21, 1979.

Tom Brady was 16-for-20 for 202 yards and three touchdowns as the Patriots (3-3) beat the Colts (2-3) for the second time.

Falcons 20, Saints 13
NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Chris Chandler threw touchdown passes of 57 and 39 yards to lead Atlanta (3-3).

The Falcons' Maurice Smith gained 83 yards on 22 carries. Chandler completed 14 of 20 passes for 187 yards.

Saints quarterback Aaron Brooks completed 23 of 39 passes for 249 yards and one touchdown. Ricky Williams gained just 51 yards on 21 carries for the Saints (3-2).

Redskins 17, Panthers 14, OT
LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Brett Conway kicked a 23-yard field goal 1:52 into overtime to give coach Marty Schottenheimer his first victory with Washington.

With Washington (1-5) trailing 14-0 in the fourth quarter, LaVar Arrington had a 67-yard interception return and rookie Rod Gardner caught an 85-yard touchdown pass on Washington's next offensive play to tie it.

The Panthers (1-5) were beaten on the last play of the game for the second consecutive week. Running back Tshimanga Biakabutuka broke his foot after rushing for 121 yards and a touchdown. He is to have surgery Monday and probably is out for the season.

Panthers quarterback Chris Weinke had four interceptions, including two inside the Redskins' 10-yard line.

Tony Banks completed 17 of 30 passes for 346 yards with one touchdown and one interception, while Gardner had six catches for 208 yards.

Titans 27, Lions 24
PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Joe Nedney kicked four field goals, including one from 46 yards with five seconds left, for Tennessee (2-3).

Detroit (0-5) is off to its worst start since 1989. Lions defensive end Tracy Scroggins and defensive tackle Luther Elliss and Titans tackle Brad Hopkins were ejected in the first half.

Chargers 27, Broncos 10

SAN DIEGO (AP) — San Diego forced two turnovers in Denver territory in the second half, both setting up touchdown passes from Doug Flutie to Jeff Graham.

Chargers linebacker Junior Seau went out with a strained groin in the first half and didn't return.

Flutie completed 21 of 32 passes for 280 yards and two TDs, with one interception. Rookie LaDainian Tomlinson was held to a season-low 58 yards on 25 carries.

San Diego is 4-2, Denver 3-3.

Cardinals 24, Chiefs 16
TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Arizona's Corey Chavous intercepted Trent Green's pass in the end zone with one second to play after Kansas City drove 97 yards from its own 1.

Michael Pittman rushed for 95 yards on 26 carries and caught four passes for 42 yards. His 24-yard touchdown run in the third quarter put Arizona up for good.

Thomas Jones ran 13 yards for Arizona's other touchdown as the Cardinals took a 24-9 lead, the first time they had been ahead by as many as 15 points in 42 games.

Green completed 21 of 43 passes for 352 yards and a touchdown, but was intercepted twice.

Arizona improved to 2-3. Kansas City is 1-5, its worst start since opening 1-9 in 1987.

Canadian blanks Wellington, 26-0

CANADIAN — Canadian put English on the ball to blank Wellington 26-0 Friday night.

Jay English led the Canadian offense with 140 yards rushing on 16 carries, and scored on a 47-yard run.

Riley Morris and Clint Miller each scored on 1-yard runs. Ali Morales kicked two extra points.

Canadian's defense came through with a touchdown when Lance Gray returned a blocked punt 15 yards for the score.

Canadian finished with 248 total yards and 19 first downs. Wellington had 140 yards and 7 first downs.

The Wildcats led 13-0 at the half. Canadian is now 3-1 in District 6-2A and 4-3 for the season. Wellington is 1-3 and 1-6.

Canadian travels to Perryton for more district action Friday night.

Nelson rallies in final round to win SBC Championship at San Antonio

By T.A. BADGER
Associated Press Writer

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Four victories and a No. 2 ranking in putting and birdies isn't enough to keep Larry Nelson from tinkering with his game.

Nelson brought his son to The Dominion Country Club on Sunday to improve his consistency on the greens.

"I haven't putted as well as I did last year," Nelson said. "On Sunday all I did was let him line me up and I tried to hit the ball at the same

speed."

The move paid off as Nelson shot a record-tying 9-under 63 to win the SBC Championship. He finished at 17-under 199, two strokes ahead of Bob Gilder and Gary McCord.

Leading by a stroke on the tee at No. 18, Nelson decided to take a bold approach.

For the first two days of the tournament, he laid up on the par-5, 545-yard hole, the longest on the course. On Sunday, however, he went for the green — hugged on three sides by water and sand — from 220 yards.

"With the guys behind me, I felt like I had to make a birdie on the last hole to win or even to make it into a playoff," he said. "I felt the gamble was worth it."

Nelson dropped his second shot in the middle of the green and then missed his 40-foot eagle putt by an inch. He tapped in for that birdie.

Gilder started the 18th one shot behind Nelson after making a 15-foot birdie putt on 17, but he hit his second shot over trees into deep rough and then three-putted from 40 feet for a bogey to fall back into a tie with McCord.

"I made a mental error — I thought there was fairway over those trees and there wasn't," Gilder said. "I just didn't know the course well enough."

"Maybe I should have gone for the green. All I wanted was a chance, and I didn't handle it well coming down the stretch."

Gilder shot a final-round 66, while McCord, who started the third round in a tie for the lead with Bob Murphy, had a 67.

Defending champion Doug Tewell was fourth at 203 after a 68.

Nelson's last win came at the Farmers Charity Classic in Nebraska on the first weekend in July. He won two of the first three events this year and now has 16 titles in his four full years on the senior circuit.

With the season-ending Senior Tour Championship in Oklahoma City next week, Nelson likes the way his game is going.

"I'm playing my best all year, and that's kinda nice," he said.

Nelson, starting the day at 8-under, birdied the last four holes on the front nine to get to 14-under. He then birdied

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HOW TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT DRUGS.

The best thing about this subject is that you don't have to do it well. You simply have to try.

If you try, your kids will get the message.

That you care about them.

That you understand something about the conflicts they face.

That you're there when they need you.

The alternative is to ignore the subject. Which means your kids are going to be listening to others who have strong opinions about the subject. Including those who use drugs. And those who sell them.

ACCEPT REBELLION.

At the heart of it, drugs, alcohol, wild hairstyles, trendy clothes, ear-splitting music, outrageous language are different ways of expressing teenage rebellion.

That's not all bad. Part of growing up is to create a separate identity, apart from parents — a process which ultimately leads to feelings of self worth. A step along that path is rebellion of one kind or another — which is to say rejecting parental values, and staking out new ones.

You did it. They're doing it. And that's the way it is.

The problem comes when kids choose a path of rebellion that hurts them, destroys their self worth, and can ultimately kill them.

That's the reality of drugs.

DON'T GET DISCOURAGED.

When you talk to your kids about drugs, it may seem as though nothing is getting through.

Don't you believe it...

The very fact you say it gives special weight to whatever you say.

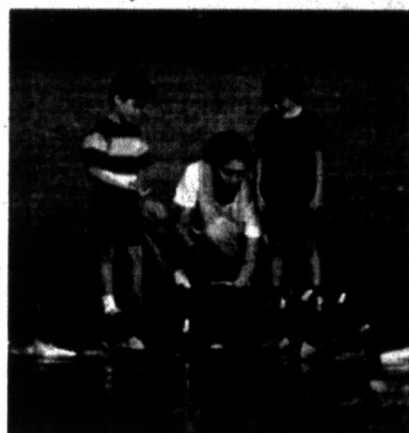
But whether or not your kids let on they've heard you, whether or not they play back your words weeks or months later, keep trying.

START ANYWHERE.

"Have you heard about any kids using drugs?"

"What kind of drugs?"

"How do you feel about that?"



It's never too early to start.

"Why do you think kids get involved with drugs?"

"How do other kids deal with peer pressure to use drugs? Which approaches make sense to you?"

"Have you talked about any of this in school?"

However you get into the subject, it's important to state exactly how strongly you feel about it.

Not in threatening tones. But in matter-of-fact, unmistakably clear language:

"Drugs are a way of hurting yourself."

"Drugs take all the promise of being young and destroy it."

"I love you too much to see you throw your life down the drain."

SOME DO'S AND DON'TS.

The do's are as simple as speaking from the heart.

The biggest don't is don't do all the talking. If you listen to your kids — really listen and read between the lines — you'll learn a lot about what they think. About drugs. About themselves. About the world. And about you. They'll also feel heard and that, too, is a step along the path towards self esteem.

There are other do's and don'ts: Don't threaten. Don't badger them. Don't put your kid on the spot by asking directly if he or she has ever tried drugs. They'll probably lie, which undermines your whole conversation.

If you suspect your child is on drugs — there are all sorts of symptoms — that's a different matter. Then you've got to confront the subject directly.

In the meantime, just talk to them.

It's okay if you don't know much about drugs.

Your kids do.

But they need to know how you feel about the subject.

And whether you care.

For more information on how to talk with your kids about drugs, ask for a free copy of "Keeping Youth Drug-Free." Call 1-800-729-6686.

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Pampa ISD celebrates Red Ribbon Week

Pampa ISD is joining with the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to promote healthy, drug-free lifestyles during Red Ribbon, 2001.

"Texas has made a great deal of

progress in reducing drug use among young people, and the Red Ribbon

Campaign is an excellent opportunity to celebrate that good news," says TCADA Chairman Robert A. Valadez of San Antonio.

"It also provides communities with a forum to bring together parents, schools, and businesses as we look for new and innovative ways to keep even more kids drug free."

The Commission is sponsoring the

statewide celebration Oct. 20-29. Students from across Texas will begin the celebration early during a kick-off rally on the steps of the Capitol in Austin at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 17. Locally, drug prevention activities are planned at each Pampa ISD campus for the week.

More than 200,000 Texas students in grades 4-12 participated in the Commission's 2000 Texas School Survey, the largest of its kind in the nation. The agency has been conducting the statewide survey every two years since 1988. Among the findings:

—In grades 7-12, there was a 9 percent decline since 1998 in the percentage of students reporting they had used any illicit drug in the month before the survey. There also was a 17 percent decline in past-month inhalant use.

—Secondary students reported a 15 percent decline in past-month use of tobacco.

—Past-month use of marijuana fell 10 percent among secondary students and past-month alcohol use dropped 5 percent.

—In grades 4-6, 2.8 percent of students said they had tried marijuana, a drop of 22 percent from 1998. Marijuana use among this age group peaked in 1994, but has fallen 50 percent since that time.

The first Red Ribbon Campaign was organized in 1986 by a grassroots organization of parents concerned about the destruction caused by alcohol and drug abuse. The Red Ribbon was adopted as a symbol of the movement in honor of Enrique Camarena, an agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration who was kidnapped and killed while investigating drug traffickers. The campaign has reached millions of U.S. children and has been recognized by the U.S. Congress.

"Red Ribbon Week is a chance to be visible and vocal in our desire for a drug-free community," says Lesley Gershmel, Pampa ISD Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities coordinator.

How Can I Tell If a Friend or a Loved One Has a Problem With Alcohol, Marijuana, or Other Illicit Drugs?

Sometimes it is tough to tell. Most people won't walk up to someone they're close to and ask for help. In fact, they will probably do everything possible to deny or hide the problem. But, there are certain warning signs that may indicate that a family member or friend is using drugs and drinking too much alcohol.

If your friend or loved one has one or more of the following signs, he or she may have a problem with drugs or alcohol:

- getting high on drugs or getting drunk on a regular basis
- lying about things, or the amount of drugs or alcohol they are using
- avoiding you and others in order to get high or drunk
- giving up activities they used to do such as sports, homework, or hanging out with friends who don't use drugs or drink
- having to use more marijuana or other illicit drugs to get the same effects
- constantly talking about using drugs or drinking
- believing that in order to have fun they need to drink or use marijuana or other drugs
- pressuring others to use drugs or drink
- getting into trouble with the law
- taking risks, including sexual risks and driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs
- feeling run-down, hopeless, depressed, or even suicidal
- suspension from school for an alcohol- or drug-related incident
- missing work or poor work performance because of drinking or drug use

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Supporting A Drug Free Community!

PHS D-FY-IT - Voluntary drug testing

• If you have any questions regarding the D-FY-IT program or would like to make a donation to the program to help cover testing expense, you may contact Monica Roden at 669-4800 ext. 307.

D-FY-IT is a voluntary, community-based, drug testing program at Pampa High School that was created in 1992 to curb drug use among teenagers.

The goal of this program is to create an environment which encourages students to remain drug and alcohol free by giving rewards. Students need to feel good about their decision to choose "drug free" lifestyles. This program is a positive reinforcement for having joined the prevention group and an encouragement to keep the commitment.

There are currently 309 student members and twenty-four of these are on the D-FY-IT Advisory Board. The Board members are: Seniors - Leslee Ammons, Rhianna Anglin, Cory Bigham, Richard Conner, Sarah Fraser, Michelle Lee, Justin Lemons, Collin Lewis, Evan Miller, Randa Morris, Janelle Powers, Amy Robbins, Sara Scott, Ande Shank and Aaron Willis; Juniors - Abby Cavalier, Cassie Gibson, Bonnie Holmes, Karissa Intemann, Josh Miller, Stephen Nelson and Jered Snelgrooes; Sophomores - Krissy Holman and Benny Martinez. There are also eight adult Advisory Board Members which include: Colby Brown, Lesley Gershmel, Jay Holmes, Rose Mary Schiffman, Gaylene Skaggs, Warren Smith, Jennifer Studebaker, and Monica Roden, Coordinator.

The Board members plan and help with such activities as Red



D-FY-IT members have a good time at a function last year. From left, Stephanie Fisher, Lucas Oliva, Michelle Lee, Steve Terry, Rhianna Anglin, and Trevor Stowers.

Ribbon Week, Health-Fairs, fund-raising projects, educational information on the dangers of alcohol and drug use and D-FY-IT recruitment. Some of this years activities include: drug-free dances, bowling party and pizza party. Students who test "clean" are issued D-FY-IT cards and are entitled to such privileges as food and clothing discounts offered by 39 local merchants, prize drawings at dances, special programs and activities.

Students who test "positive" for drugs or alcohol or receive a drug/alcohol offense have their membership card temporarily revoked. The chapter representative will privately notify the student and parent. The student will be advised to meet with the PHS substance abuse counselor before the card can be reinstated. The primary purpose of this program is to rid students of drug use. Testing of drugs or narcotics in the student's system

is in no way an investigative tool for any law enforcement agency. "Positive" results will not result in criminal prosecution. It is the ultimate goal of D-FY-IT to maintain the integrity of the program by periodically retesting its members on a random basis.

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Photographed last year wearing anti-drug T-shirts, Wilson Elementary students were saying "No" to drugs. Standing, from left, Counselor Cheryl Robbins, Christopher Boyd, Carla Romero, Whitney Jenkins and Nick Dudley. Kneeling are Carrie Angel and Anna Hillman.

Quiz Cards For Kids: Metamphetamine (Meth)

Fiction: Meth will make you feel good.

Fact: The "high" from meth is followed by a very low "low" - including fatigue, anxiety, and depression.

Bonus Fact: Meth use can hurt your body - bringing severe weight loss, heart and lung problems, stroke, and death.

Fiction: You can try meth and not get hooked.

Fact: Meth is highly addictive! It takes more and more meth to get the same high.

Bonus Fact: Coming off a meth high is so bad users often end up taking more just to avoid the crash.

Fiction: Using meth isn't like driving drunk - you won't hurt anybody else.

Fact: Meth can cause hallucinations, paranoia and days without sleep - which often leads to violence.

Bonus Fact: People on meth have been known to murder their own children, only to come off the drug and say, "I'd never do anything like that."

• **Be aware of the risks — Drinking or using drugs increases the risk of injury. Car crashes, falls, burns, drowning, and suicide are all linked to drug use.**



**The three best ways to
protect kids from drugs:**

1. Talk to them
2. Talk to them
3. Talk to them

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Quiz Cards For Kids: Inhalants

Fiction: Inhalants are OK because they're not drugs.

Fact: Inhalants are not OK. Using them robs your brain of oxygen and can hurt your body.

Bonus Fact: Using inhalants can kill you - even the first time!

Fiction: Inhalants are things that friends sometimes share.

Fact: Real friends won't ask you to do anything that can harm you, like using inhalants.

Bonus Fact: Inhalants shouldn't be kept secret, either. Talk with your parents when you have questions or think that someone you know may be using inhalants.

Fiction: If something smells good, it can't hurt you.

Fact: Sometimes good smells contain toxic chemicals, and inhaling them is harmful.

Bonus Fact: Many kinds of vapors will burn your nose and throat.

Quiz Cards For Kids: Alcohol

Fiction: Alcohol is not a drug.

Fact: Alcohol is an addictive drug. The active ingredient in all alcoholic drinks is ethyl alcohol, which works like ether. It acts like an anesthetic to put the brain to sleep.

Bonus Fact: Even a low level of alcohol in the blood has a tranquilizing effect, slowing you down. The more alcohol you drink, the more your brain is affected. You're unable to move normally. You can't see or hear as well, and you can't think clearly. That means you may do things you normally wouldn't do.

Fiction: It's OK to let teens drink, as long as they do it responsibly and don't drive.

Fact: Bodies are still growing until they reach the early 20's. Alcohol may permanently stop the development of the hypothalamus - part of the brain - in adolescents. Addiction often occurs more quickly in bodies that are still growing (it can happen in months).

Bonus Fact: Because of the difference in their body's makeup, women have a lower tolerance for alcohol than men.

Quiz For Kids: Tobacco

Fiction: Tobacco is not a drug.

Fact: Tobacco contains nicotine, a drug that is addictive.

Bonus Fact: Cigarettes also contain carbon monoxide, ammonia, acetone, arsenic, butane, cyanide, and other poisons!

Fiction: Smoking hurts only the smoker.

Fact: Secondhand smoke is harmful. For instance, a child exposed to smoke from a parent's cigarette is more likely to have sore throats and ear infections.

Bonus Fact: Women who smoke while pregnant are more likely to have babies with low, unhealthy birth weight.

Fiction: It's OK to try smoking, it's easy to quit.

Fact: Tobacco is highly addictive. One third of young people who just "experiment" with smoking become addicted by age 20.

Bonus Fact: Cigars and pipes carry the same risks as cigarettes, and more.

Quiz Cards For Kids: Marijuana

Fiction: Smoking marijuana is not more harmful than smoking cigarettes.

Fact: Smoking marijuana is more than 4 times as likely to cause cancer than smoking cigarettes. Marijuana smoke contains toxins like carbon monoxide.

Bonus Fact: Marijuana today is stronger than it was 10, 20, and 30 years ago.

Fiction: Marijuana doesn't affect your body or your mind.

Fact: Tasks that require concentration and coordination, like driving, are more difficult for a marijuana smoker to do than a non-smoker. One study found that teenagers who smoked marijuana were twice as likely to be in traffic accidents as non-smokers.

Bonus Fact: Smoking pot releases chemicals in the body which head straight to fat cells in the organs of the body such as the brain, ovaries, and testes. Long after marijuana has been smoked, these chemicals remain in the cells, damaging the way the brain and other vital organs work.

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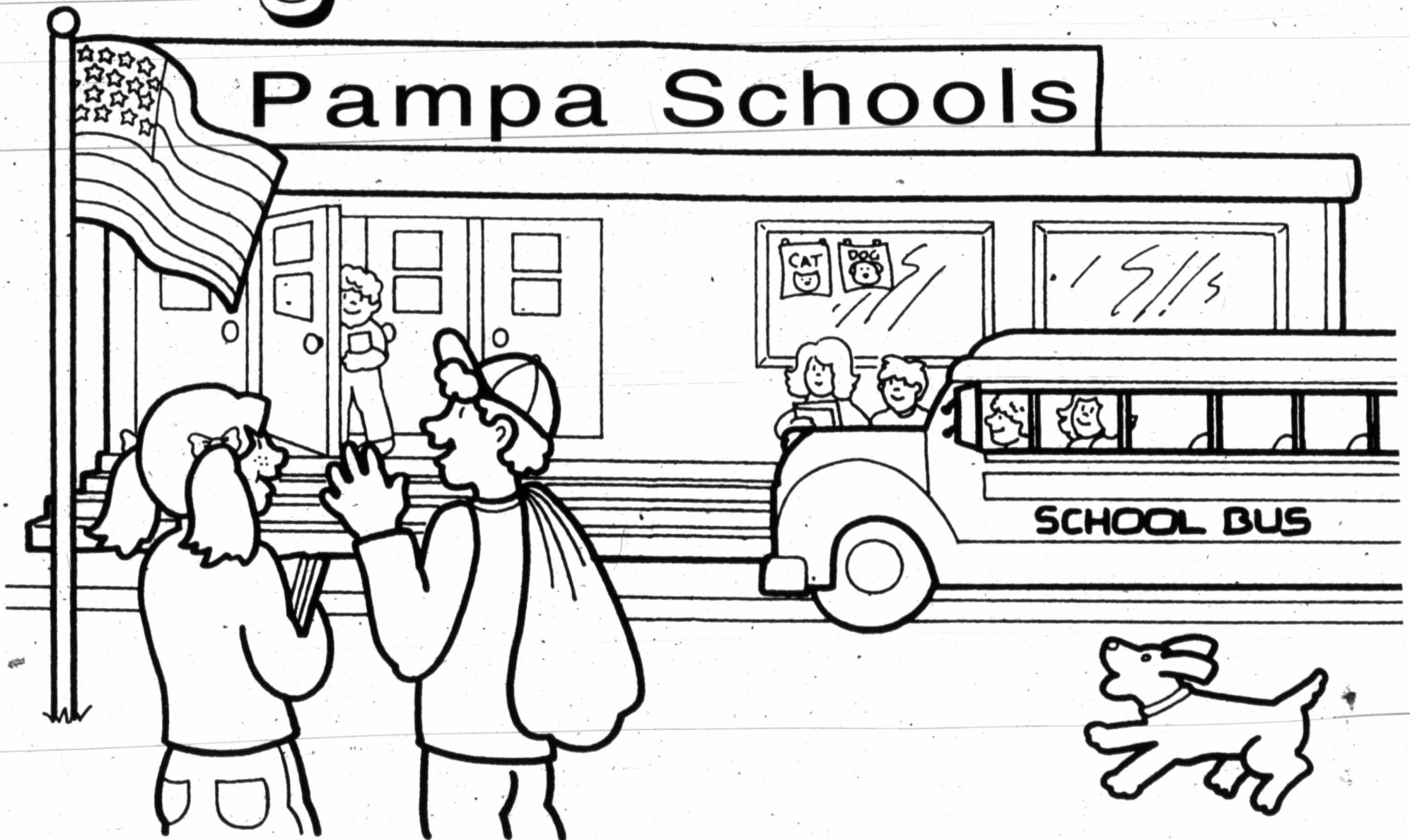
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Red Ribbon Week!!!

Pampa ISD is joining with the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to promote healthy, drug-free lifestyles during Red Ribbon, 2001.

"Texas has made a great deal of progress in reducing drug use among young people, and the Red Ribbon Campaign is an excellent opportunity to celebrate that good news," says TCADA Chairman Robert A. Valadez of San Antonio. "It also provides communities with a forum to bring together parents, schools, and businesses as we look for new and innovative ways to keep even more kids drug free."

The Commission is sponsoring the statewide celebration Oct. 20-29. Students from across Texas will begin the celebration early during a kick-off rally on the steps of the Capitol in Austin at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 17. Locally, drug prevention activities are planned at each Pampa ISD campus for the week.

More than 200,000 Texas students in grades 4-12 participated in the Commission's 2000 Texas School Survey, the largest of its kind in the nation. The agency has been conducting the statewide survey every two years since 1988. Among the findings:

—In grades 7-12, there was a 9 percent decline since 1998 in the percentage of students reporting they had used any illicit drug in the month before the survey. There also was a 17 percent decline in past-month inhalant use.

—Secondary students reported a 15 percent decline in past-month use of tobacco.

—Past-month use of marijuana fell 10 percent among secondary students and past-month alcohol use dropped 5 percent.

—In grades 4-6, 2.8 percent of students said they had tried

marijuana, a drop of 22 percent from 1998. Marijuana use among this age group peaked in 1994, but has fallen 50 percent since that time.

The first Red Ribbon Campaign was organized in 1986 by a grassroots organization of parents concerned about the destruction caused by alcohol and drug abuse. The Red Ribbon was adopted as a symbol of the movement in honor of Enrique Camarena, an agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration who was kidnapped and killed while investigating drug traffickers. The campaign has reached millions of U.S. children and has been recognized by the U.S. Congress.

"Red Ribbon Week is a chance to be visible and vocal in our desire for a drug-free community," says Lesley Gershmel, Pampa ISD Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities coordinator. "Research shows that children are less likely to use alcohol and other drugs when parents and other role models are clear and consistent in their opposition to substance use and abuse."

If you are interested in obtaining red ribbons or for more information about Red Ribbon Week or prevention resources, contact Gershmel at 669-4800 or visit www.drugfreetexas.com.

Penalties: The legal consequences of underage drinking

Offense	Punishment
Possession by minor Purchase by minor Attempt to purchase Misrepresentation of age Consumption by minor Public intoxication by minor	First offense: A fine of up to \$500; mandatory alcohol awareness course; 8-12 hours of community service; 30-day suspension of license. Second offense: A fine of up to \$500; judge may send offender to an alcohol awareness course; 20-40 hours of community service; 60-day suspension of license. Third offense: If a minor is at least 17 years old, the third offense is punishable by a fine of \$250-\$2,000, confinement in jail for up to 180 days and automatic suspension of driver's license.
Driving under the influence (The legal limit for a minor in Texas is zero. Any detectable amount of alcohol in the minor's system is unlawful.)	A fine up to \$500; mandatory alcohol awareness course; 20-40 hours of community service; 60-day suspension of license. Second offense carries a mandatory 120-day suspension of license. A third offense is not eligible for deferred adjudication and requires a 180-day license suspension. If the minor is at least 17 years old at the time of the third offense, the fine increases to \$500-\$2,000 and/or confinement in jail for up to 180 days.
Tampering with governmental record (modifying a driver's license)	Felony offense punishable by 2-10 years in state penitentiary and/or a \$10,000 fine.
Possession of fake identification	A fine of up to \$200.
Making alcohol available to a minor	A fine of up to \$2,000 and/or 180 days in jail.
Manufacture of counterfeit identification	Felony punishable by 2-10 years in state penitentiary and/or a \$10,000 fine.

PMS, PHS Red Ribbon Week activities

Pampa Middle School

Monday - Pledge Day - all students will receive ribbon and make drug free pledge.

Tuesday - Sock it to Drugs Day (wear colorful socks)

Wednesday - Embarrass Drugs Day (wear as much red as possible)

Thursday - Put a Lid on Drugs Day (wear hats or caps)

Friday - Block out Drugs Day

(wear sunglasses) students can recite the drug free pledge with classes

* A poster contest will be held for all students

Pampa High School

Daily - Students will be able to pick up ribbons, stickers and information, as well as sign a drug free pledge.

Daily - Drug and alcohol information will be read over the PA

Tuesday - Wear Red Day - Show support for Red Ribbon Week

Wednesday - Video "Wrecked" will be shown to entire high school

Thursday - United Against Drugs Day. Students to wear red, white and blue.

Friday - D-Fy-It Advisory Board Members will perform anti-drug skits for elementary campuses.

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Red Ribbon Week Activities October 22-26

Travis Elementary

Monday - Red Ribbon Decoratin Day (5th graders hand out ribbons and decorate)

Tuesday - Sock Out Drugs Day (wear wild socks)

Wednesday - Hats Off to Drug Free Bodies (wear hats)

Thursday - Slip Drugs Out Day (wear wildest house slippers)

Friday - Red Day (wear red)
High School students will perform skits at assembly.

* A drug free poster contest will be held for grades 3-5

* A coloring contest will be held for grades K - 2

Lamar Elementary

Monday - Red Ribbon Challenge (PE students will tie ribbons around campus)

Tuesday - Pledge to be Drug Free Flag Activity - (students will create a handprint flag during PE and Music)

Wednesday - Sock it to Drugs Day (wear socks)

Thursday - Put a Lid on Drugs Day (wear hats or caps)

Friday - High School students will perform skits at assembly.

Wilson Elementary

Monday - Drugs will turn you inside out (wear clothes inside out)

Tuesday - Don't let drugs de 'feet' you (wear socks/no shoes)

Wednesday - Drugs will take you out of the game (wear sports clothing)

Thursday - Drugs keep you uncorrdinated (mismatched clothing)

Friday - Drugs turn you every which way but right (caps/hats backwards or sideways)

Austin Elementary

All students will participate in an anti-drug poster contest. Students will Receive "Say No to Drugs" lollipops

Friday - High School students will perform skit at assembly.

1 MYTH: Alcohol improves my sexual performance.
FACT: Although you may think that drinking makes you better in bed, physiologically alcohol reduces your performance.

2 MYTH: I can drink and still be in control.
FACT: Drinking impairs your judgment, which increases the likelihood that you will do something you'll later regret such as having unprotected sex, being involved in date rape, damaging property, or being victimized by others.

3 MYTH: Drinking isn't all that dangerous.
FACT: One in three 18- to 24-year-olds admitted to emergency rooms for serious injuries are intoxicated. And alcohol is also associated with homicides, suicides, and drownings.

4 MYTH: I can sober up quickly if I have to.
FACT: It takes about 3 hours to eliminate the alcohol content of two drinks, depending on your weight. Nothing can speed up this process—not even coffee or cold showers.

5 MYTH: It's ok for me to drink to keep up with my boyfriend.
FACT: Women process alcohol differently. No matter how much he drinks, if you drink the same amount as your boyfriend, you will be more intoxicated and more impaired.

6 MYTH: There is no point in postponing drinking until I'm over 21.
FACT: Research shows that the longer you postpone drinking, the less likely you are to ever experience alcohol-related problems.

7 MYTH: I can manage to drive well enough after a few drinks.

FACT: About one-half of all fatal traffic crashes among 18- to 24-year-olds involve alcohol. Your impairment is related to your blood alcohol concentration (BAC). Depending on your weight, you can have a BAC of 0.02% after only one drink, which can slow your reaction time and make it difficult to concentrate on two things simultaneously. A BAC of 0.03% can significantly impair your steering. At 0.04% your vision begins to focus on the center of the road and you cannot respond as well to street signs, traffic signals, and pedestrians. By 0.05% your driving will be noticeably erratic, especially to the police.

8 MYTH: I'd be better off if I learn to "hold my liquor."

FACT: If you have to drink increasingly larger amounts of alcohol to get a "buzz" or get "high," you are developing tolerance. This increases your vulnerability to many serious problems, including alcoholism.

9 MYTH: I have to drink to fit in.

FACT: Your peers don't drink as much as you think they do. A recent survey of more than 44,000 college students shows that most students drink little or no alcohol on a weekly basis.

10 MYTH: Beer doesn't have as much alcohol as hard liquor.

FACT: A 12-ounce bottle of beer has the same amount of alcohol as a standard shot of 80-proof liquor (either straight or in a mixed drink) or 5 ounces of wine.

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Red Ribbon Week: How it came to be

Enrique "Kiki" Camarena grew up in a dirt-floored house with hopes and dreams of making a difference.

Camarena worked his way through college, served in the Marines and became a police officer. When he decided to join the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, his mother tried to talk him out of it. "I can't not do this," he told her. "I'm only one person, but I want to make a difference."

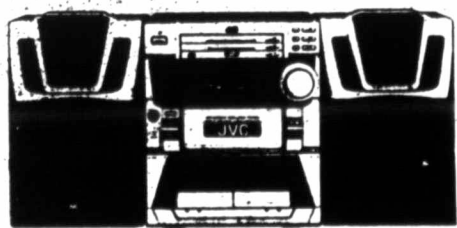
The DEA sent Camarena to work undercover in Mexico investigating a major drug cartel believed to include officers in the Mexican army, police and government. On February 7, 1985, the 37-year-old Camarena left his office to meet his wife for lunch. Five men appeared at the agent's side and shoved him in a car. One month later, Camarena's body was found in a shallow grave. He had been tortured to death.

In honor of Camarena's memory and his battle against illegal drugs, friends and neighbors began to wear red badges of satin. Parents, sick of the destruction of alcohol and other drugs, had begun forming coalitions. Some of these new coalitions took Camarena as their model and embraced his belief that one person can make a difference. These coalitions also adopted the symbol of Camarena's memory the red ribbon.

The National Family Partnership organized the first Red Ribbon Campaign in 1988. Since that time, the campaign has reached millions of U.S. children.

In 1997 the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse began committing resources to ensure the continuation of the Red Ribbon Campaign in Texas, as well as the hopes and beliefs behind this grassroots effort to protect children from the dangers of alcohol and other drugs.

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Parents need to know what to look for

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About *Marijuana*

Marijuana is the most widely used illicit drug in the United States and tends to be the first illegal drug teens use.

The physical effects of marijuana use, particularly on developing adolescents, can be acute.

Short-term effects of using marijuana:

- X** sleepiness
- XX** difficulty keeping track of time, impaired or reduced short-term memory
- XX** reduced ability to perform tasks requiring concentration and coordination, such as driving a car
- XX** increased heart rate
- XX** potential cardiac dangers for those with preexisting heart disease
- XX** smoker's cough
- XX** gastric ulcers
- XX** chronic bronchitis
- XX** increase in heart rate and blood pressure
- XX** premature and more abundant face wrinkles
- XX** emphysema
- XX** heart disease
- XX** stroke
- XX** cancer of the mouth, larynx, pharynx, esophagus, lungs, pancreas, cervix, uterus, and bladder

Is my child using drugs? As you answer these questions, be aware that one symptom may not necessarily signal a drug or alcohol problem. Don't be afraid to contact a professional in the alcohol or drug field if you would like to discuss symptoms or behaviors you are not sure about.

Does your child seem to be changing?

Is he/she becoming more:

- irritable
- uncooperative
- violent
- depressed

Are you finding it more difficult to communicate with your child?

- Does your child refuse to talk about:
 - alcohol and drugs
 - activities with friends

Does he/she become defensive when someone talks about the negative effects of alcohol or other drugs?

Is he/she becoming less responsible about:

- doing chores
- coming home on time
- personal cleanliness
- school attendance and performance

Has your child:

- been in constant need of money
- stolen money or property from family members
- skipped or dropped out of school
- insisted that the drugs or alcohol you found belonged to someone else

Has your child recently:

- adopted the style of new friends whom he/she doesn't want to talk about
- become less interested in school, sports, and other activities which used to be important
- refused to go to school
- talked of dropping out
- been coming home with alcohol on his/her breath
- taken liquor, wine, or beer from adult supplies
- left drug paraphernalia around the house.

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