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Gun store pays \$100,000 for injuries to policeman

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — A Dallas-area gun shop that sold the semiautomatic handgun eventually used to injure a New Jersey state trooper has agreed to a \$100,000 settlement with the officer.

Trooper Anthony DiSalvatore, 29, had stopped suspected drug dealers on the New Jersey Turnpike on Aug. 22, 1989, when a man opened fire with a 9mm semiautomatic pistol.

DiSalvatore, who was shot in the stomach, hand, knee and shoulder, later sued the Shooting Sports gun store and its then-owner, Gary Straach of Dallas.

The lawsuit, which said a Dallas woman purchased the gun at Shooting Sports in July 1989 and turned it over to members of a New York drug gang, alleged that the store negligently caused the trooper's injuries by selling the weapon to an unqualified buyer.

By state law, only Texas residents can buy guns here, and only for personal use. The woman who supplied the weapon to a third party in New York, therefore, was an unqualified buyer.

The gun store and Straach, who was sentenced to a year in prison after his 1990 federal conviction on charges of selling guns to unqualified buyers, agreed to pay \$100,000 to settle the case last week.

A woman who said she now owns Shooting Sports but refused to give her name on Monday said the lawsuit has ruined her business.

"Don't believe what you hear and don't believe what you read," the woman said before hanging up on a reporter. She refused to discuss the lawsuit specifically.

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from 4:00-5:00**
251 Bizzell Hall West



What's Up

Wednesday

Inkshed Press: is welcoming poets and non-poets alike to the summer's first poetry workshop. Meet at the Sullivan Ross Statue in front of the Academic building at 7:00 pm, and be ready for a delightful evening of verse.

What's Up is a Battalion service that lists non-profit events and activities. Items for What's Up should be submitted no later than three days before the desired run date. Application deadlines and notices are not events and will not run in What's Up. If you have questions, call the newsroom at 845-3316.

Health Tips Utilizing SPF numbers to prevent sun damage

By STACEY GARNER
Special to The Battalion

As the summer sun heats up, it becomes important to prevent damage from the sun's harmful rays.

Avoiding the sun completely is the best solution, but it is not practical nor desirable to those who want to enjoy the sunshine. It is still possible, however, to enjoy the sun and prevent sun damage.

Avoid the sun between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., which are the sun's peak hours. If outside, wear some form of sun protection. The Sun Protection Factor (SPF) number shows how much protection the sunscreen is providing from the sun. Multiply the SPF number by the amount of time it usually takes to burn to determine how long the sunscreen will be protective. For example, if a person usually burns in 30 minutes of sun exposure, and they use an SPF 4, they can stay in the sun for 2 hours.

A common myth is that if SPF 15 is good, then a higher SPF is even better. This is not really the case. SPF 2 blocks out 50 percent of the sun, and SPF 15 blocks 93 percent of the harmful rays. SPF 34 only provides 4 percent more protection. After SPF 15, the increments of protection get smaller. A person would have to be in the sun continuously for that small difference to matter.

Another common myth is that it is impossible to burn on a cloudy day. This is not true. Eighty percent of the harmful ultraviolet (UV) rays can pass through the clouds and cause the skin to burn. A person can sunburn through three feet of water while swimming or from the reflective rays of the sun off the water. Burns can even occur through clothing if they are made of a loose weave fabric.

Another important area is preventing sun damage to the eyes. Sunglasses stop a person from squinting and allow the pupil to widen, letting in more light. Purchase sunglasses with the most protection against UV rays, look for the UV protection label on the glasses. The uncoated glasses let in more harmful rays which can lead to cataracts and a common form of blindness called macular degeneration. The damage to eyes is cumulative, so start wearing UV protective sunglasses now to prevent damage later.

Protect yourself from sun damage while you enjoy the summer. For more information on Sun Damage, stop by Health Education, room 016 in the A.P. Beutel Health Center or call 845-1341.

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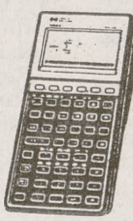
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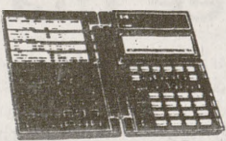
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