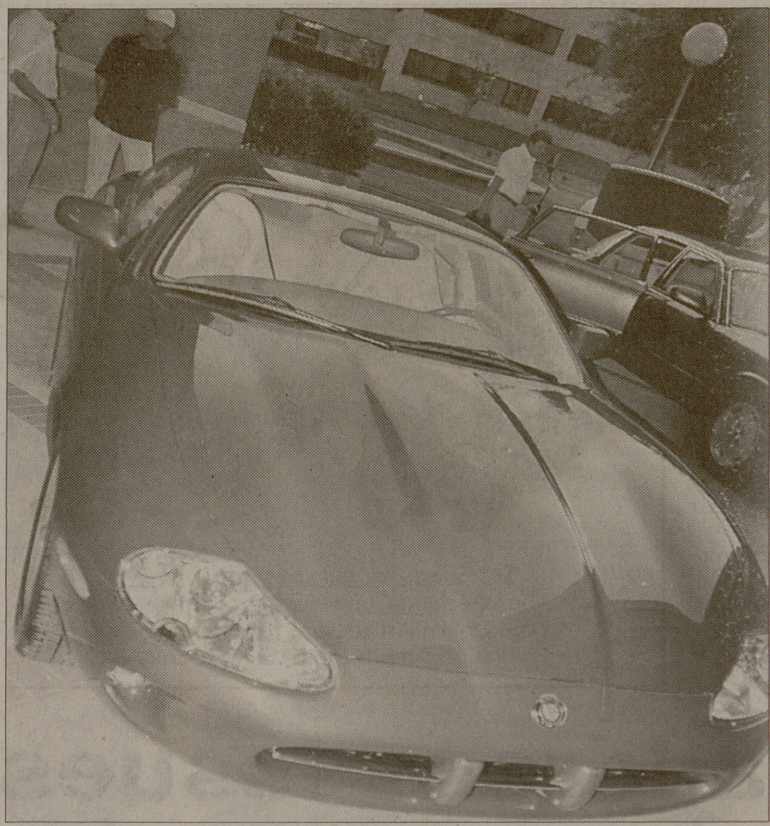


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Speed Racer The American Society of Mechanical Engineers hosted the tour of Jaguar's new model Thursday night.

► Campus

Former cadets to be honored Saturday

Texas A&M will recognize the lifetime achievements of four former cadets Saturday as they are inducted into the Corps of Cadets Hall of Honor.

The new inductees are H.R. "Bum" Bright, Class of '43, and Arthur P. Wiley Jr., Class of '46, both of Dallas; Weldon D. Kruger, Class of '53, of Bryan; and Gerald D. Griffin, Class of '56, of Hunt.

The Corps Hall of Honor pays tribute to former members of the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets who exemplify Aggie spirit.

The induction ceremony will be at 9 a.m. at the Sam Houston Sanders Corps Center. The ceremony is open to the public and admission is free.

MSC and SGA to compete in cookoff

The Memorial Student Center Council and the Student Government Association will compete in a BBQ Buffalo Wings Cookoff before the Texas A&M Football Team takes on the University of Colorado Buffaloes Saturday.

The Cookoff, part of the 12th Mania campaign, will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the corner of George Bush Drive and Wellborn Road.

Categories to be judged will include the best- and worst-tasting wings and the hottest wings.

The losing team will have to wear the opposing campus organization's T-shirts on campus Monday.

► State

Pepper spray sends students to hospital

ROWLETT, Texas (AP) — Almost 40 high school students went to Dallas area hospitals Thursday after a police officer who tried to break up a fight during a pep rally used pepper spray.

The two 16-year-olds involved in the fistfight were taken into police custody and later released to their parents, said Steve Knagg, director of communications for the Garland Independent School District. Both were 11th graders.

The fight broke up a Rowlett High School pep rally at about 8:30 a.m., with the pepper spray inhaled by up to 47 students, Knagg said. Out of 39 students sent to the hospital, only one student suffering from asthma was not released by early Thursday afternoon.

He said a policeman who serves as a student resource officer for the district used the spray to quell the disturbance after he was knocked to the floor.

Poos said the two began arguing

and then fought despite three attempts by the police officer and an assistant principal to break up the struggle. Some of the officer's oleoresin capsiicum spray drifted toward other students and staff, who complained of breathing problems.

"When the officer sprayed pepper spray, the students were inside a gym and there was a residual effect where it was in the air and they breathed that," Knagg said.

Parents threatened with endangerment

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Law officers have threatened the parents of a 6-year-old champion bull rider with child endangerment charges, prompting the rodeo arena where he performs to suspend peewee bull riding.

The controversy centers around David Willstrop, who has won competitions in peewee bull riding, a category for ages 12 and under.

"It is a violation to place a child in imminent danger," Bexar County Sheriff's Lt. Bud Baker said in Thursday's San Antonio Express-News.

Meanwhile, owners of Kicker's Korner, the south Bexar County arena where David performs, have given assurances that peewee bull riding competitions have been suspended indefinitely, Baker said.

Bonnie Blayney of the group Save our Children from Abuse and

Neglect has been a vocal critic of David's hobby.

"I feel this child's health is endangered," she said.

David's father, Jeff Willstrop, Universal City, said he was about the turn of events.

"All David wants to do is ride," Willstrop said.

► Nation

Kevoorkian gets permit for protection

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Dr. Jack Kevoorkian, fearing "right-wing nut" attacks, has obtained a permit to carry a gun.

An Oakland County board granted the emergency permit Tuesday after Kevoorkian passed a background check. He has assisted in at least 40 deaths since 1990 but has been arrested all three times he stood trial.

Kevoorkian sought the permit last Friday, the day an Ohio man was shot with a gun outside the doctor's law office.

Larry Blakeman, 39, was charged with carrying a concealed weapon. He told others he wanted to "kill Jack" but later said he only wanted Kevoorkian's help in dying.

Nearly three months later, Kevoorkian said he needed protection from "right-wing nuts."

► This day in history

(AP) — Today is Friday, Sept. 27, the 271st day of 1996. There are 95 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1779, John Adams was named to negotiate the Revolutionary War's peace terms with Britain.

In 1825, the first locomotive to haul a passenger train was operated by George Stephenson in England.

In 1854, the first great disaster involving an Atlantic Ocean liner occurred when the steamship Arctic sank with 300 people aboard.

In 1939, Warsaw, Poland, surrendered after weeks of resistance to invading forces from Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union during World War II.

In 1942, Glenn Miller and his Orchestra performed together for the last time, at the Central Theater in Passaic, N.J., prior to Miller's entry into the U.S. Army.

In 1959, a typhoon battered the main Japanese island of Honshu, killing nearly 5,000 people.

In 1964, the Warren Commission issued a report concluding that Lee Harvey Oswald had acted alone in assassinating President Kennedy.

In 1979, Congress gave final approval to forming the Department of Education, the 13th Cabinet agency in U.S. history.

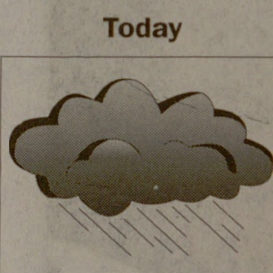
Ten years ago: The Senate joined the House of Representatives in approving the most sweeping changes in the federal tax code since World War II.

One year ago: The government unveiled its redesigned \$100 bill, featuring a larger, off-center portrait of Benjamin Franklin.

► Today's birthdays

Actor Wilford Brimley is 62. Singer-musician Randy Bachman (Bachman-Turner Overdrive) is 53. Singer Meat Loaf is 45. Singer Shaun Cassidy is 38. Singer Mark Calderon (Color Me Badd) is 26.

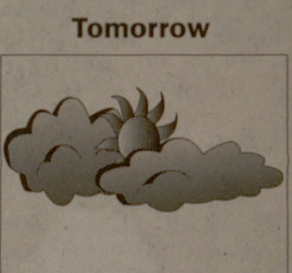
► Weather



Mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms.



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Highs & Lows

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