

## Cowboys' worries

The team's performances have given coaches plenty of reason for concern.



Our weekly feature on nutrition and exercise debuts today.

FORT WORTH  
Star-Telegram

'Where The West Begins'

MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2004 | 50 CENTS

WWW.STAR-TELEGRAM.COM

## YOUR NEWSPAPER

## TAMING THE PAPER TIGER

**Who writes the editorials?** What do I have to do to get an item in the paper? Answers to frequent questions make the process a little less mysterious.

NEWS 2 USE | 2A

## BRAKE TIME



STAR-TELEGRAM/RODGER MALLISON

## WHO RULES THE ROADS?

**So you're speeding** on the freeway, and you're pulled over by ... a Department of Transportation employee? Gordon Dickson writes that the head of the agency says he was half-joking when he suggested it should take over law enforcement.

YOUR COMMUTE | 10C

## OLYMPICS ON TV

## NOT QUITE A 'PERFECT TIM'

**The voice, the hype,** the constant cheerleading. A week of Tim Daggett's Olympic gymnastic commentary for NBC is quite enough, thank you.

LIVE! | 3B

## BESTSELLERS

## ONE FOR THE BOOKS

**If you're looking** for some juicy poolside reading, a 567-page government document probably isn't tempting you. But as dreary as it sounds, *The 9/11 Commission Report* is the, uh, sleeper hit of the summer. Are people really reading it?

LIFE &amp; ARTS | 1E

## WEATHER



**Today:** Partly cloudy with isolated showers possible.



News 2 Use	2A
Classifieds	F
Comics	6-7E
Crosswords	4E, 2F
Editorials	10B
Horoscope	4E
Live!	3B
Lottery numbers	2A
Movies	9E
Obituaries	8-9B
Television	10E



TO SUBSCRIBE: (817) DEL-IVER  
Fort Worth mailing address:  
P.O. Box 1870, Fort Worth, Texas 76101  
Copyright © Fort Worth Star-Telegram  
99th year, Issue 120; 80 pages

## Athens Games: 2004 Olympics



## Sunday's highlights

On the track, American Justin Gatlin, 22, won gold in the closest finish in the 100-meter dash since 1980. Defending Olympic champion Maurice Greene of the United States was third.

■ Californian Deena Kastor became only the sec-

ond U.S. woman to earn a medal in the marathon, taking bronze in a race won by Mizuki Noguchi of Japan.

■ In gymnastics, Annia Hatch, at 26 the oldest U.S. gymnast since 1964, won silver in the vault.

**INSIDE** | A six-page special section chronicles Sunday's competition and looks ahead to today's. **SECTION DD**

**ONLINE** | For live updates, go to [www.star-telegram.com/olympics](http://www.star-telegram.com/olympics)

## Today on TV

■ Arlington Lamar graduate Jeremy Wariner goes for gold in the men's 400 meters. American gymnast Carly Patterson, the women's all-

around champion, competes in the finals of the balance beam. Prime-time coverage begins at 7 p.m. on KXAS/Channel 5.

## WAR IN IRAQ | A MARINE UNIT'S ORDEAL

## A HIGH PRICE



STAR-TELEGRAM PHOTO ILLUSTRATION  
PHOTO SOURCE: PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER/DAVID SWANSON VIA KRT

They came from California and Iowa and New Jersey. Many had wanted to be Marines for years; others joined to straighten out their lives. By the time they hit the dangerous streets of Ramadi, Iraq, on April 6, 2004, the men of Echo Company were a well-coordinated fighting unit. They lived the Corps' motto: *Semper Fidelis, Always Faithful*.

That morning, Capt. John Royer got the call that Marines in the company's 1st Platoon were taking fire. His men — led by a newly married second lieutenant who loved to fish — rushed to the aid of their buddies.

They were unaware that

Iraqi and foreign fighters had issued an ominous warning: Americans were going to die in the streets that day. Machine guns and grenade launchers were waiting for them on the rooftops.

War was about to tear the men of Echo Company apart.

PART ONE OF A THREE-PART NARRATIVE | 9A

## TO OUR READERS

## A new look, a new way to get the news

**Our new front page** lets you quickly catch up with what's going on. Read summaries of the day's most important and interesting stories and be up to speed in five minutes or less, or turn inside to get the complete story.

MORE DETAILS | 12B

## COMING TOMORROW

## On-the-go kids call a time-out

**Is your child** prepping for success, or are nonstop activities the road to overload? Some families say it's time to evaluate their involvement.

IN FAMILY DAY



## THE WEEK AHEAD

## TODAY

## OT rules change for U.S. workers

New overtime rules take effect, ending extra pay for thousands of U.S. workers. To find out more, go to the Department of Labor's Fair-Pay Web site at [www.dol.gov/esa](http://www.dol.gov/esa) and click on "Fair Pay" on the right.

TARRANT BUSINESS | 4C

## TUESDAY

## Falwell to speak at seminary

The Rev. Jerry Falwell, a well-known conservative minister and TV show host, will speak at 10:50 a.m. at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary's Truett Auditorium. The talk is open to the public.



FALWELL

## WEDNESDAY

## Voting starts in special elections

Early voting begins for area Sept. 11 special elections. Among the cities and school districts conducting elections are Benbrook, Burleson, Euless, North Richland Hills, Saginaw, Venus and the Keller school district.

## THURSDAY

## Great ideas abound for homes, gardens

The 14th annual Fort Worth Home & Garden Show, featuring Paul DiMeo from the popular TV show *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*, begins a four-day run at the Fort Worth Convention Center. Information: (800) 654-1480.

## NATIONAL SECURITY

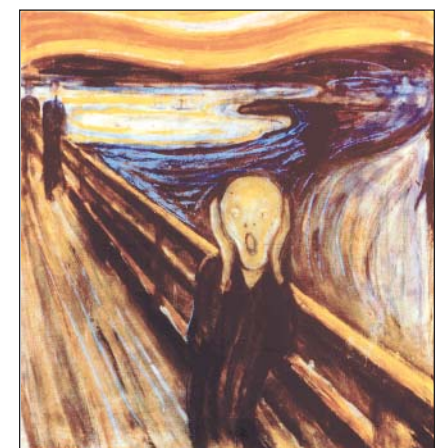
## Senator calls for CIA to dissolve

**The chairman of the Senate** Intelligence Committee proposes a bold plan to dismantle the CIA and name a national chief of intelligence gathering. But a senior intelligence official predicts the plan would cause more problems than it solves.

NATION | 4A

## ART THEFT

## 'Scream' is stolen



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Masked, armed thieves** rip the Edvard Munch masterpiece *The Scream* from the walls of a museum in Norway as stunned visitors watch.

WORLD | 7A

## COLLEGE

## Quests for textbooks go online

**College students turn** to Asian markets and the Internet to save hundreds of dollars, staff writers Patrick McGee and Jessamy Brown learn.

FORT WORTH | 1B